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Rebuttal Argument to Argument in Favor of Measure A

Measure A is more complicated than the City's statement implies. It proposes sweeping changes to the City Attorney's Office at a multi-million dollar cost.

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Yet, the City has chosen to circumvent public review by not convening a Charter Review Committee.

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This measure, which will amend our City's constitution, has not been allowed public vetting, nor has it been evaluated by any Council Committee. Therefore, no one can be certain of the ramifications of this ambitious prosecutorial program.

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Important questions remain unanswered:

- How will the proposed costs of \$2.5 million a year affect an already overdrawn budget? 90
- Why does the City list 'police' as a supporter when their rank and file is on record as opposing? 109
- Is it worth the redundant cost for a new City department when the County District Attorney's Office appears to be productive? 107
- Is it wise to place prosecution power in the hands of a City Council appointee versus an elected official? 145
- What safeguards are in place to prevent undue influence by the City Council? 157

A Charter Review Committee would compel testimony from City officials, weigh public comments, publicly deliberate the issue, and recommend for or against its placement on the ballot.

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This public process could be undertaken and, if supported, an amendment could be placed on the November 2016 ballot. Instead, voters should question this 'fast track' to the June ballot.

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Public safety depends on public awareness. Without a thorough examination of this amendment's merits, one that includes vigorous community involvement, League of Women Voters Riverside must recommend a NO vote on Measure A.

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Please learn more by visiting [Facebook.com/NoOnMeasureA](https://www.facebook.com/NoOnMeasureA) and [RPOA.org](http://RPOA.org).

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We the undersigned authorize Joan Donahue, Jennifer Vaughn- Blakely, Darleen Elliott, Andy Melendrez, Valarie Hill to submit the Measure A rebuttal statement to the primary argument in favor OF Measure A

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The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the Rebuttal argument Against  
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ballot measure A at the General Municipal Election  
(LETTER) (TITLE OF ELECTION)  
for the City of Riverside to be held on June 7, 2016  
(DISTRICT OR JURISDICTION) (DATE)

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