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DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS
City and County of San Francisco



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Dear San Francisco Voter:

For the first time, all voters citywide will use the "ranked-choice" voting method for the offices of Assessor-Recorder, City Attorney and Treasurer for the upcoming November 8, 2005 Consolidated Special Statewide Election. Voters amended the City Charter in March 2002 to require the use of ranked-choice voting, also called "instant run-off elections" to elect most local officials. Last November, voters in seven of San Francisco's Supervisorial districts elected their supervisors with this new voting method. For people living in Supervisorial districts 4, 6, 8 and 10 this will be the first time they vote with ranked-choice ballots. There is a district map on page 68 for your reference.

Ranked-choice ballot cards have three columns, allowing voters to select up to three different candidates, one in each column. However, voters can still make fewer than three selections if they choose or if there are fewer than three eligible candidates for a contest. Please visit our website at www.sfgov.org/election or call us at 415-554-4375 if you would like additional information on ranked-choice voting.

When visiting our website, you will notice that the site can translate most items into Chinese or Spanish. One of our goals is to continually increase the number of election materials and services we provide in Chinese and Spanish. Every election the Department translates this Voter Information Pamphlet into Chinese and Spanish and mails these versions to voters who request them. The Department employs staff year-round to attend events and present election-related information and materials to various organizations in English, Chinese and Spanish. If you are interested in a presentation, please contact our Outreach Division at 415-554-4340. If you wish to contact Chinese-speaking staff, please call 415-554-4367. To contact a Spanish-speaking member of our staff, call 415-554-4366.

Also new for this election is the "Voter Feedback Form." The Form is located on page 12 of this pamphlet and will also be available at our polling sites on Election Day. The Voter Feedback Form gives voters the opportunity to share their opinions and thoughts with the Department of Elections regarding voting-related matters. The Voter Feedback Form is also available in Chinese and Spanish.

Please review this Voter Information Pamphlet. It contains useful materials such as samples of the official ballot for this election and information about candidates and local ballot measures. The back cover lists the address of your polling place, whether the entrance to your polling place and the voting area are accessible, and the degree of slope of the walkway outside your polling location. Sometimes we need to relocate polling places and, if any changes affect your polling place, we will mail you a yellow postcard listing the address of the new polling place.

For more information about the November 8, 2005 election, please visit our website at www.sfgov.org/election or call the Department of Elections at 415-554-4375. Finally, check the mail for your information guide from the Secretary of State's office that provides information on the state measures on this November's ballot. If you do not receive this guide, please visit the Secretary of State's website at www.ss.ca.gov/elections.htm.

Respectfully,

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Demonstration Ballot

The ranked-choice ballot is designed in a side-by-side column format. This format allows a voter to select a first-choice candidate in the first column, a second-choice candidate in the second column, and a third-choice candidate in the third column.

When marking the ranked-choice ballot, voters select their first-choice candidate by completing the arrow pointing to their choice in the first column. To indicate a second choice, voters select a different candidate in the second column by completing the arrow pointing to their choice. To indicate a third choice, voters select a different candidate in third column by completing the arrow pointing to their choice.

Voters wishing to vote for a write-in candidate for any of their three choices can write in candidate names in the space provided and complete the arrow pointing to their choice.

[Demonstration Ballot \(PDF\)](#)

This stub should be removed
BEFORE the ballot is
placed into the voting device
or absentee envelope.

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CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO / CIUDAD Y CONDADO DE SAN FRANCISCO
NOVEMBER 2, 2004 / 2 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 2004 / 2004年11月2日

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CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 8, SENATE DISTRICT 8, ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 12, SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 00, BART DISTRICT 9

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: Mark your first choice in the first column by completing the arrow pointing to your choice, as shown in the picture. To indicate a second choice, select a different candidate in the second column. To indicate a third choice, select a different candidate in the third column. To vote for a qualified write-in candidate, write the person's name on the blank line provided and complete the arrow.

INSTRUCCIONES PARA LOS ELECTORES: Para marcar su primera opción en la primera columna, complete la flecha que apunta hacia su selección, tal como se indica en la imagen. Para indicar una segunda opción, seleccione un candidato distinto en la segunda columna. Para indicar una tercera opción, seleccione un candidato distinto en la tercera columna. Para votar por un candidato calificado no listado, escriba el nombre de la persona en el espacio en blanco provisto, y complete la flecha.

選民指南: 在第一列中標記你的第一個選擇，將指向你的選擇的箭頭畫線連接起來，如圖所示。標記第二個選擇時，在第二列中選擇一位不同的候選人。標記第二個選擇時，在第二列中選擇一位不同的候選人。投票合格寫入候選人時，在提供的空白上填寫此人的姓名，並將箭頭畫線連接起來。



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DISTRICT 00 - DISTRITO 00 - 第00選區
VOTE YOUR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD CHOICES / VOTE POR SU PRIMERA, SEGUNDA Y TERCERA SELECCIÓN / 投票你的第一、第二、第三選擇

1 FIRST CHOICE PRIMERA SELECCIÓN 第一選擇	2 SECOND CHOICE SEGUNDA SELECCIÓN 第二選擇	THIRD CHOICE TERCERA SELECCIÓN 第三選擇
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Vote for One Vote por Uno 第一選擇	Vote for One - Must be different than your first choice Vote por Uno - Debera ser diferente de su primera selección. 第一選擇 / 必須與第一個選擇不同	Vote for One - Must be different than your first and second choices Vote por Uno - Debera ser diferente de su primera y segunda selección 第一選擇 / 必須與第一個選擇和第二個選擇不同
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DEMONSTRATION

Ranked-Choice Voting

Ranked-choice voting (also known as "instant run-off voting") was passed by San Francisco voters as an amendment to the City Charter (Proposition A) in March 2002. Ranked-choice voting allows for elections in which candidates win by majority vote totals without the need for separate run-off elections.

Ranked-choice voting authorizes San Francisco voters to elect local officials by ranking up to three choices for each office. Voters do not need to rank three choices for each ranked-choice contest.

Ranked-choice ballots are counted in the following way:

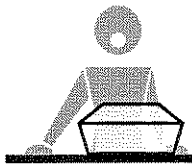
- Every first-choice selection is counted. A candidate who receives a majority (more than 50%) of the first-choice rankings is declared the winner.
- If no candidate receives more than 50% of the first-choice selections, the candidate who received the fewest number of first-choice selections is eliminated from the race.
- Voters who selected the eliminated candidate as their first choice will have their vote transferred to their second choice.
- All votes are recounted, and if a candidate receives more than 50% of the votes, that candidate is declared the winner.
- If no candidate receives more than 50% of the votes in the recount, the process of eliminating candidates and transferring of votes to the next-ranked candidate is repeated until a candidate has a winning majority.

San Francisco voters will use ranked-choice voting when electing members of the Board of Supervisors, Mayor, Sheriff, District Attorney, City Attorney, Treasurer, Assessor-Recorder, and Public Defender.

For the November 8, 2005 election, San Francisco voters will elect the Assessor-Recorder, the Treasurer and the City Attorney. For instructions on how to mark the ranked-choice ballot, turn to page 14.



VOTING AT YOUR POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY



Approach the table where pollworkers are issuing ballots and announce your name and address in an audible tone of voice. When one of the pollworkers finds your name in the roster of voters, the pollworker will repeat your name and address. Sign your name on the signature line next to your name in the roster of voters.

The pollworker will give you your ballot and your ballot's stub receipt in a blue secrecy folder. The ballot will consist of multiple cards. Take your ballot to one of the voting booths, where you may mark your ballot in privacy. There will be a special ballot-marking pen in each voting booth.

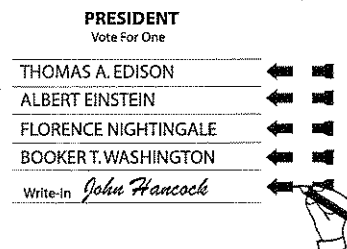
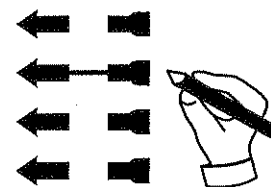
MARKING THE BALLOT

You will vote on paper ballots that may be printed on both sides of the page. Be sure to vote on both sides of the page! Using the ballot-marking pen provided at your polling place, mark your ballot by connecting the head and tail of the arrow pointing to your choice for each contest, as shown in the picture.

To vote for a qualified write-in candidate, write the name of the candidate in the space marked "Write-in." **You must connect the head and tail of the arrow pointing to the "Write-in" space for your write-in vote to be counted.** Do not write in a vote for a candidate whose name is printed on the ballot. Only write-in votes for qualified write-in candidates will be counted. For a list of qualified write-in candidates, please ask a pollworker.

Please note: the number of candidates you should select for each contest or choice will be printed above the list of candidate names for each contest. If you vote for more than the allowed number of candidates for any contest or choice, your votes for that contest will not count!

If you make a mistake while voting, ask a pollworker for another ballot.



HOW TO MARK THE RANKED-CHOICE CONTESTS

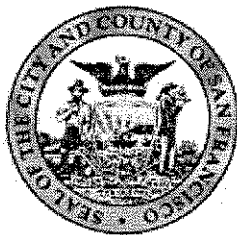
This November, San Francisco voters will use ranked-choice voting to elect the Assessor-Recorder, the Treasurer and the City Attorney.

For each ranked-choice contest, you may rank up to three choices. Mark your first choice in the first column by completing the arrow pointing to your choice, as shown in the picture. To indicate a second choice, select a different candidate in the second column. To indicate a third choice, select a different candidate in the third column. To vote for a qualified write-in candidate, write the person's name on the blank line provided and complete the arrow. To rank fewer than three candidates, or if there are fewer than three candidates for a contest, leave any remaining columns blank.

For more information on ranked-choice voting, please contact the Department of Elections:

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FINAL RESULTS

Candidate	Pass 1	Pass 2	Pre-RCV
RONALD CHUN	33294 *		320
GERARDO SANDOVAL	71850	79261	706
PHIL TING (Winner 58.133%)	94062	110053	927
ANTHONY FABER	18 *		
Eligible Ballots	199224	189314	Total: 1955
Exhausted Ballots	26146	36056	Undervotes 291
Total Ballots	225370	225370	Overvotes 7

To understand the difference between the Pre-RCV and RCV vote totals,

- 1) A number of undervotes reported were, in fact, advanceable ballots (Difference column)
- 2) The RCV algorithm advances those ballots and sums them in Pass1.
- 3) The candidate(s) with the lowest vote total is selected for elimination (indicated with an asterisk *)

The number of Eligible Ballots (for Pass 1) is:

The number of ballots with a mark for a candidate in the 1st choice,
plus those whose marks were advanced.

The number of Exhausted Ballots is:

The number of undervotes minus the number of advanced ballots,
plus the number of overvotes (invalid votes for multiple candidates)

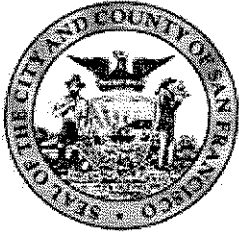
The number of Total Ballots is all cards, marked in any way, or blank.

For more information, please go to:

www.sfgov.org/election/rcv

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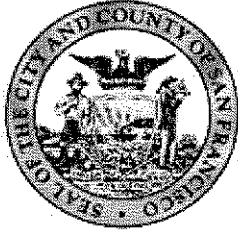
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Since one candidate received more than 50% +1 of t
the ranked-choice method was not applied to this co
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Only one candidate has qualified to have his name on the ballot for the City Attorney contest, and there are no qualified write-in candidates for this contest. As there is only one candidate, there is no need to use the run-off tabulation to determine the winner. What follows is information about the one qualified candidate only.

Please note that the Department of Elections printed ballots for this contest with a first-choice, second-choice and third-choice column, even though there is only one qualified candidate, because the deadline for printing ballots passed before the deadline for qualifying as a write-in candidate. Because it was impossible to know whether there would be write-in candidates for this contest at the time ballots were printed, and because the Department must provide for the possibility of write-in candidates, the ballots include a first-choice, second-choice and third-choice column for this contest.