

## ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE Q

### YES on Q to SaveSantee.com

Vote **YES** to establish a **Limit of 3 Terms** on the Santee City Council.

**Don't be confused by career politicians' competing measure that would add 2 additional terms** for the Mayor, setting up a potential 20-year career on city council.

**Our citizens Initiative is a compromise of three 4-year terms from the politicians desire to further water down citizen proposed limits to their power.**

In comparison, Term limits in San Diego and at the Board of Supervisors are two 4-year terms. Our Initiative grants a third term to take advantage of experience while limiting the ability to entrench corrosive special interest relationships.

**Politicians are likely hoping that confusion about the competing term limits measures allows both term limit measures to fail so their power of incumbency prevails.**

The key to a well run city is not an entrenched city council. It is a quality city manager and city staff overseen by competent citizens serving limited terms in the public interest.

**Politicians who spend too much time in office stop representing us. Their focus skews toward themselves and their special interest contributors.**

Term Limits:

- Help ensure the voice of the people will be heard over special interests contributions.
- Allow new faces with fresh ideas and energy to serve our community.
- Help reduce career politicians overwhelming campaign advantages.

**High name recognition – regulatory power – special interest contributions – all tip the scales against start-up candidates.**

**YES on Q :**

**- limits the power of incumbent career politicians.**

**- limits** politicians to three terms as either Mayor or City Councilmember (or any combination thereof).

**Join thousands of your petitioning neighbors to establish a simple limit of 3 terms on the Santee City Council.**

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