

**Rebuttal to Argument in favor of Wal-Mart Initiative, Measure D**

The claim that special interests control our opposition is unfounded. We are local citizens, just like you.

The 30-acre Wal-Mart Super Center will be located at southeast corner of Dale Evans Parkway and Thunderbird Road – abutting property zoned Estate Residential since 2009. The intent to sell cheap drugs and alcohol near children, at the swimming pool and Civic Center Park is outrageous!

Proponents claim this development will create “hundreds” of construction jobs, but it’s common knowledge that Wal-Mart uses their own, out of area, contractors. The claim of new permanent jobs (most likely part-time) pales with the number of local jobs lost because Mom and Pop retailers will not be able to compete? Do you want more vacant buildings to attract blight and crime?

Supporters boast 9,000 signatures on their petition, but only 5546 were validated.

Supporters insinuate that only Wal-Mart provides fresh groceries and inexpensive prescriptions, which is ludicrous!

Proponents claim the Town Council and Planning Commission have “vetted” this initiative. That statement is incorrect! These governing bodies have never reviewed this initiative because Wal-Mart wrote it as a General Plan amendment to be voted by the people, trampling the time honored and Constitutionally required principle of representative government.

Perhaps this explains why 22 Joshua Trees and nesting Burrowing Owls have already been bulldozed at the site? (Source: LSA Associates, Irvine - a result of two requests for public records)

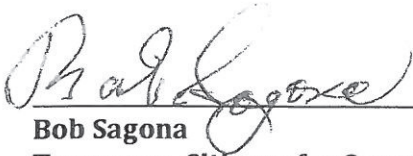
Please Vote NO on MEASURE D!



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