

# Board of Supervisors

Meeting Time: 08-27-24 09:00

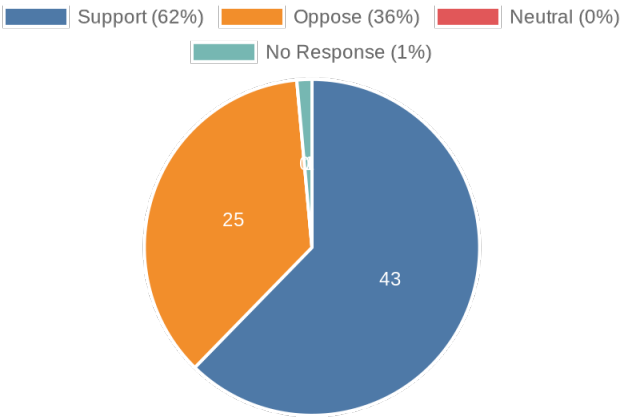
## eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
Board of Supervisors	08-27-24 09:00	35	69	43	25	0

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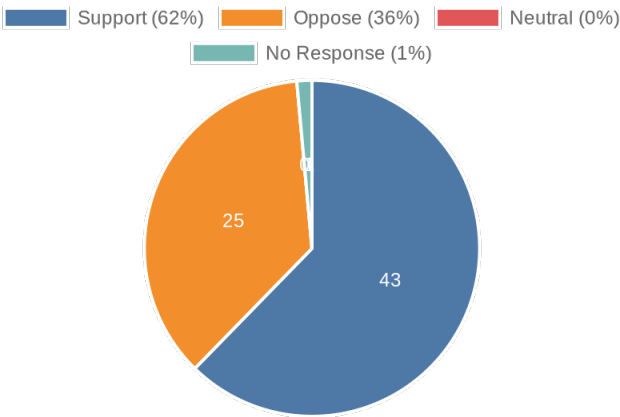


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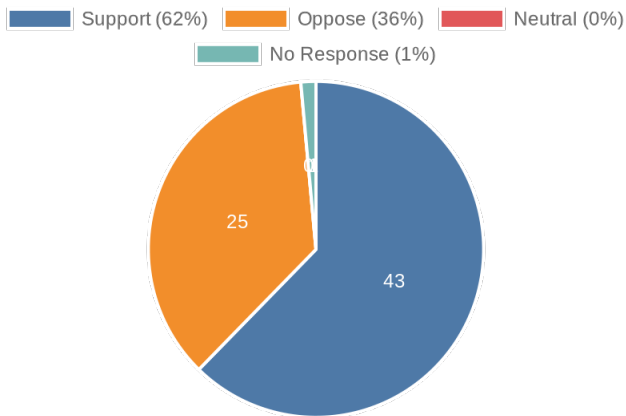
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Agenda Item: eComments for 5. SUPPORT FOR PROPOSITION 36: THE HOMELESSNESS, DRUG ADDICTION, AND THEFT REDUCTION ACT

Overall Sentiment



**Becky Stallard**

Location: 92040

Submitted At: 7:22am 08-28-24

I am in complete support of this!

**Donna Gerhauser**

Location: 92024, Encinitas

Submitted At: 3:01pm 08-27-24

I strongly oppose Prop 36. Retail Theft : There is zero correlation between Prop 47 and an increase in retail theft. In fact San Diego County has seen a 21% decrease in Shoplifting since 2019. The ballot measure started with retailers like Home Depot, Walmart, and Target raising false alarms about “organized shoplifting”. But in December 2023, they retracted this claim.

Prop 36 increases punishments for people experiencing homelessness and substance use disorders. Don't backslide!

**J.Stephen Brantley**

Location:

Submitted At: 1:57pm 08-27-24

Writing from LA to urge you to vote no on this. It will only serve yo make this worse for SDs most challenged, thereby increasing the very problems it seeks to address.

**Dave Schmitt**

Location: 92027, Escondido

Submitted At: 1:07pm 08-27-24

Time for law and order....time for accountability for an individuals actions, no matter the reason. A thief is a thief, no matter their color or upbringing. I support Prop 36 and the increased penalties for these thieves.

**Carolyn Wood**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:58pm 08-27-24

I support this

**Monica Lauded**

Location:

Submitted At: 12:40pm 08-27-24

The crime rate is down because \$950 or less isn't a crime what a joke

**Krystle Johnson**

Location: 91945

Submitted At: 11:27am 08-27-24

This would disproportionately affect people of color and only puts a band aid on this issue instead of targeting the root of why homelessness, drug addiction, and theft occurs. None of us are exempt from the possibility of homelessness or drug addiction, so please have some empathy. What if this was your family member?

**Audrey Ledesma**

Location: 92115, San Diego

Submitted At: 11:25am 08-27-24

There is no way the city should use private entities to bolster law enforcement any more than they should be used to bolster our firefighters. It's a horrible idea.

If law enforcement isn't able to keep our city safe with their budget, how are we going to pay for these private entities?

**Grand Dramon**

Location:

Submitted At: 11:22am 08-27-24

Unbelievable let's stop all the free giveaways and stop this county from getting worse if that's even possible at this point. Chaos all around and you all voting on items making the County go right down the toilet! Shape up or ship out! No more marijuana shops, no more wasteful spending on trying to help mentally ill and drugs, where's the graffiti task force from the county? Bizarre that you are all still there not helping constituents

**Brita Lindstrom**

Location: 92109, San Diego

Submitted At: 11:19am 08-27-24

I fully support Prop 36. This will help reduce crime and drug addition as well as provide support for mentally ill. Businesses have closed - people have lost jobs and livelihood as well as valuable services. This will not result in a huge increase in incarceration as thieves and drug dealers will be given opportunities to change their behavior!

**Lorie Rehma**

Location: 91977, Spring Valley

Submitted At: 10:27am 08-27-24

Pleas get crime out of our communities.

**Rena White**

Location:

Submitted At: 10:14am 08-27-24

Find more police and arrest the criminals Lock them up!

**Franklin Younger**

Location: 92110, San Diego

Submitted At: 10:04am 08-27-24

Please vote no on Prop 36. This does nothing to deter people from drug addiction and theft. Those in precarious situations resort to extremes. We need more community resources, not stricter punishments. This would

disproportionately affect people of color and only puts a bandage on this issue instead of targeting the root of why homelessness, drug addiction, and theft occurs. None of us are exempt from the possibility of homelessness or drug addiction, so please have some empathy.

**Joan Stanton**

Location: 92071, Santee  
Submitted At: 10:02am 08-27-24

I support this.

**E Thompson**

Location: 92024, Encinitas  
Submitted At: 9:47am 08-27-24

Agenda item #5

We support Prop 36 Board letter of support.

Agenda item # 21

We do not support this legislative letter.

Thank you.

**Linda Glevy**

Location: 92117, San Diego  
Submitted At: 9:45am 08-27-24

We should not be "reducing homelessness, drug addiction, and theft" by criminalizing these individuals. We should be supporting them.

**Ashleigh Conaway**

Location: 91941, La mesa  
Submitted At: 9:31am 08-27-24

I support this

**Lady Jones**

Location:  
Submitted At: 9:24am 08-27-24

I support this!

**Melissa Estrada**

Location:  
Submitted At: 9:23am 08-27-24

Save the police more of them and get rid of criminals and druggies all freeloaders use to get everything free and no trouble

**David Jay**

Location: 92104, San Diego  
Submitted At: 9:20am 08-27-24

Just a few days after the DNC repeated over and over "We're not going back," it is beyond belief that a Democratic majority on the Board of Supervisors somehow thinks this poorly-reasoned resolution to go backward in California should be passed - much less by consent. I strongly urge you to remove this proposal from the consent agenda, and then to reject it outright.

**Peter Esquire**

Location: San Diego  
Submitted At: 9:02am 08-27-24

I Support This Item

**Jessica Ripper**

Location: 92104, San Diego  
Submitted At: 9:00am 08-27-24

I urge you to OPPOSE Prop 36, which is rooted in overblown claims and scare tactics documented by the NY Times and PPIC. This measure would disproportionately punish poor communities with harsh sentences and eliminate \$6 million in critical funding for housing and services for people leaving jail. Crime is down in San Diego and eliminating funding that reduces crime and recidivism will do nothing more than increase costs and risk the lives of people who get locked up in our deadly jails.

**Susan Powell**

Location:  
Submitted At: 8:58am 08-27-24

I support this position.

**Deidre McLeod**

Location: 92128, San Diego  
Submitted At: 8:23am 08-27-24

My name is Deidre McLeod; D2. I am asking Supervisor Anderson and all Board members to vote NO on this resolution. Proposition 36 would exacerbate existing racial and economic disparities in our criminal justice system and needlessly increase the population in SD's already overburdened jails. It will end up costing tens of millions to implement while eliminating funds for current victim services, mental health and reentry programs. Prop 36 is a step back when we need push forward. Vote NO.

**Sandra Castro**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:45am 08-27-24

Wholeheartedly support!!!

**Rene Smith**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:31am 08-27-24

I strongly support passing Prop 36

**Sara Soupp**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:20am 08-27-24

I support this!

**Kathy Lee**

Location:  
Submitted At: 7:11am 08-27-24

Please support prop 36

**Lee Varallo**

Location: 92021, El Cajon  
Submitted At: 7:04am 08-27-24

I support this measure!

**Joe Bohlen**

Location:  
Submitted At: 6:26am 08-27-24

I support this measure!

**Judy Bohlen**

Location: 91935, Jamul  
Submitted At: 6:24am 08-27-24

I 100% support this!

**Gail Cowen**

Location:  
Submitted At: 5:50am 08-27-24

I support this.

**DeAna Verkeke**

Location: 91941, La Mesa  
Submitted At: 4:53am 08-27-24

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**Wendy Free**

Location:  
Submitted At: 1:06am 08-27-24

I very strongly support Prop 36!! We need law and order brought back. Safety is of deep concern ...please pass Prop 36!! Thank you for listening\_

**Brian Jones**

Location:  
Submitted At: 11:59pm 08-26-24

Pass please \_ get rid of the bad criminals and secure our homes

**Debbie Kamens**

Location: 92128, San Diego  
Submitted At: 11:36pm 08-26-24

Vote no on Prop 36. It would cut funding for essential services in San Diego County, including housing and support for those leaving jail. Despite claims, retail theft has decreased by 21% in SD County since 2019. Prop 36 increases incarceration costs and worsens racial disparities by imposing harsher penalties for people experiencing homelessness or substance use disorders, without providing treatment or housing. We should not return to ineffective policies that harm vulnerable communities.

**Rick Moore**

Location: 92020, El Cajon  
Submitted At: 11:34pm 08-26-24

I urge you to support Proposition 36!

**Lynn Wall**

Location: 92117, San Diego  
Submitted At: 11:12pm 08-26-24

I support this proposition!

**Annie Green**

Location:

Submitted At: 10:33pm 08-26-24

I support this.

**Amelia Santillan**

Location: 91914

Submitted At: 10:31pm 08-26-24

I support Proposition 36. The community needs this

**Stacy Davis**

Location:

Submitted At: 10:31pm 08-26-24

I support proposition 36

**Martha Stewart**

Location:

Submitted At: 10:07pm 08-26-24

I am in support of this proposition.

**Mandy Salazar**

Location: 92120

Submitted At: 10:07pm 08-26-24

I support proposition 36.

**Bernadette Sullivan**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:58pm 08-26-24

I give my full support to this proposition as a lifetime citizen of San Diego County who has seen the effects of drug addiction on crime and homelessness.

**Keith Johns**

Location: 91941, La Mesa

Submitted At: 9:57pm 08-26-24

in the wake of Prop 47, I have personally witnessed theft at grocery stores and department stores where I was shopping. These criminals know at best they get a little slap on the wrist. This breeds lawless behavior, knowing they can get away with stealing. This costs all of us. I understand SD County District Attorney supports Proposition 36. And she ought to know since this is what she deals with daily.

I strongly urge the Board of Supervisors to vote in support Proposition 36.

**Edy J**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:42pm 08-26-24

Public safety is of paramount importance. I strongly support this item. And I support Proposition 36.

**Oliver Twist**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:41pm 08-26-24

I strongly support this. Thank you for prioritizing public safety.

**Marian Clancy**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:16pm 08-26-24

Prop 36 would impose stricter sentencing laws that disproportionately impact people of color and those with low-



income, exacerbating existing racial and socioeconomic disparities. Increased incarceration rates will lead to higher costs for taxpayers without improving public safety. It would perpetuate a cycle of incarceration by reducing mental health/substance use treatment, victim services, reentry assistance, truancy/dropout programs, and crime prevention programs that prevent recidivism.

**Patricia Warner**

Location: 92123, San Diego  
Submitted At: 7:52pm 08-26-24

I cannot say this too strongly: please do not give your support to this measure! It started with false info from big box retailers re shoplifting. They retracted their claims later, but this has lived on. There is so much injustice in our current incarceration system (just go to a CLERB meeting to find out!). We don't need to make that worse by significantly reducing the funds from Prop 47. This is such an important program that provides housing & wraparound services for those leaving jail.

**Hunter Hirsch**

Location: 92106, San Diego  
Submitted At: 7:31pm 08-26-24

Respect the will of the voters and stop trying to undue majority backed criminal justice reform. Prop 36 tries to bring back failed policies from the 90s. The ballot measure started with retailers like Home Depot raising false alarms about "organized shoplifting". But in December 2023, they retracted this claim. Prop 36 will increase punishments for people experiencing homelessness and substance use disorders, while providing no funding for treatment or housing.

**Marisa Hirsch**

Location: 92106, San Diego  
Submitted At: 7:30pm 08-26-24

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**Vickie White**

Location: 92115, San Diego  
Submitted At: 6:31pm 08-26-24

Supervisors, I urge you in the strongest terms to OPPOSE this item and not to support Prop. 36. As documented in the New York Times and by PPIC, claims of increased organized retail theft and shoplifting in the U.S, California, and San Diego County are substantially overblown. Though crime rates can vary, it is disturbing to see this broad attempt to use scare tactics and inaccurate data to propose increased incarceration and less diversion support. Please vote NO on Item 5 and Prop. 36.

**Tom Packard**

Location: 92024, Encinitas  
Submitted At: 6:29pm 08-26-24

Please vote no. There is a lot of misinformation about Prop 36. In fact, it would reduce or eliminate \$6 million in Prop 47 grant funds for a program that provides housing and wraparound services for people leaving jail. It would greatly increase jail and prison costs. It would increase punishments for people experiencing homelessness and substance use disorders, while providing no funding for treatment or housing. There is no correlation between Prop 47 and an increase in retail theft

**Kim Knox**

Location:  
Submitted At: 5:39pm 08-26-24

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mental health/substance use treatment, victim services, reentry assistance, truancy/dropout programs, and crime prevention programs that prevent recidivism.

### **Bill Wills**

Location:

Submitted At: 4:14pm 08-26-24

Fund the police and criminalize criminals. Stop all the loopholes, close the borders, hold parents accountable, clean up the streets of homeless druggies and the mentally ill. Stop spending on security when the layman doesn't have any- you are not that important nor a valuable asset. Where were you 'Mayor Vargas' of Spring Valley for our community to shoot down a stupid idea of tiny homes and investigate this safe parking zone that is an oddity in itself

### **Pamela Tortorici**

Location: 92124, SAN DIEGO

Submitted At: 4:01pm 08-26-24

Thanks to Jim and Joel for presenting this item. Hopefully, the 3 women on the BOS will vote yes: In favor of community safety & stability. In support of families to not live in fear. To protect small businesses in order to succeed. And agree perpetrators should be held accountable. Prop 47 has caused chaos, inflation, hardships, violence, overdoses, and death throughout this state. One of the main jobs of the government is to provide security to the people.

### **Saad Asad**

Location: 92103, SAN DIEGO

Submitted At: 2:01pm 08-26-24

Proposition 36 aims to address theft and drug issues, but may backfire. Reclassifying repeated small thefts as felonies risks trapping low-income individuals in cycles of crime without deterring organized theft. Treatment options for drug offenders show promise, but tying them to felony charges may deter help-seeking. Supervisors should consider if this truly enhances safety and fiscal responsibility or risks increasing incarceration without addressing crime's root causes.

### **Dana Frank**

Location:

Submitted At: 9:18am 08-26-24

Fund to Police and eliminate all the waste of people who do not care for the rights of others! Stealing is stealing besides all the free offers from this Government! Hey how about a free cannabis store- lmao! You've all become a joke- 41k for security! How about the poor business owner getting ripped off! Shame on the BOS staff you don't listen to your constituents!!!

### **Jackson Freeling**

Location:

Submitted At: 8:22am 08-26-24

Yes! Do you see what's happening to our state! Homeless have more rights than property owners and too many handouts! Handouts and the ability to steal from people and businesses up to \$950 is just nonsense- the root cause get a job! Stop the handouts and wasting people's hard earned money! San Diego is really become a dump!!!

### **Amanda Dunkin**

Location: 92101, San Diego

Submitted At: 10:11pm 08-25-24

Please do not support Prop 36. Increased incarceration only creates more long lasting systemic issues. We need more funding and resources for programs that are proven to work in helping support and improve our local community. That isn't Prop 36.

### **David Vidmar**

Location: 92117, San Diego

Submitted At: 5:07pm 08-25-24

We spend enough money on incarceration without putting enough money into helping our society get to the root of the issues. To use an analogy: I hope we can stop focusing on putting more money and machinery into efficiently pulling bodies floating down the river, and find out what is causing this to happen to these souls. It takes a little more political and moral courage for leaders to do this but you are the ones who are there to lead us to make a safer and more flourishing society for all.

**Steven Palmer**

Location: 92117-3730, San Diego  
Submitted At: 3:42pm 08-25-24

Prop 36 adds extremely severe punishments for petty theft and those with a substance problem. This is the wrong approach to systemic issues in our society. These people need assistance, not to be thrown in a cell. And the companies supporting this bill: Walmart, Home Depot, etc. get away with price gouging and wage theft, with no penalties whatsoever. San Diego should invest in bringing up it's residents who are down on their luck, not beating them when they're down.

**Pat Hartley**

Location: 92054, oceanside  
Submitted At: 3:13pm 08-25-24

I urged the county board of supervisors to vote. No, on this measure. This measure seeks to disproportionately punish black brown, and poor communities with harsher sentences for minor drug charges, and minor, petty theft violations.- It also takes away funding for Community Services that could reduce crime- Crime is down 21% overall in San Diego county we don't need to go back to the days of criminalizing minorities and mass incarceration

**Therese Hymer**

Location: 92103  
Submitted At: 2:01pm 08-25-24

I ask for a vote to OPPOSE this item. Don't disrupt Prop 47, which has led to an overall drop in crime statewide and decreased rates of recidivism. SD Co's \$6 million Prop 47 grant funds for housing and wraparound services for people leaving jail will be cut or eliminated by Prop 36. County criminal justice costs will increase. Prop 47's felony threshold for theft at \$950 is already lower than 40 other states including SCar (\$2,000) and Texas (\$2,500). See Vera Institute analysis.

**Kathryn Thomas Carol**

Location:  
Submitted At: 11:39am 08-25-24

VOTE NO.

This is a dangerous ballot measure that will amend Prop 47 passed by the voters in 2014 & undo the effort of criminal justice reform since then.

-KTC from Point Loma

**Amy Huie**

Location: 92019, El Cajon  
Submitted At: 10:06am 08-25-24

This proposition will only serve to involve more people in the carceral system for minor offenses and will not solve any of the problems it is claiming to address. I am strongly opposed o going back to policies that will incarcerate citizens unnecessarily.

**Paul Henkin**

Location: 91902, Bonita  
Submitted At: 12:55pm 08-22-24

It is good that you support increasing penalties for serious crimes and treatment options for drug felons.

Of course, this notion of increasing penalties and crimes runs counter to the basic premise of making the inquiry

into or use of a prior criminal record illegal, as in agenda item 19 (ORDINANCES RELATING TO PRIVATE EMPLOYERS' USE OF CRIMINAL HISTORY IN EMPLOYMENT DECISIONS.)