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Proposition	1
Title	Proposition to require the acquisition, construction, completion and equipment of a telephone system
Date	3/29/1912
Vote Count	Yes: 21,168 No: 10,463
Percentage of votes	Yes: 66.9% No: 33.1%
Percentage of votes required to pass	50%+1
Pass or Fail	P
How it was placed on the ballot	
Kind	Ordinance
Description	An ordinance determining and declaring that the public interest and necessity require the acquisition, construction, completion and equipment of a public utility, a telephone system, by the City and County of San Francisco; that the cost thereof, in addition to the other expenses of the City and County, will exceed the income and revenue provided for the said City and County and County for one year; and directing the Board of Public Works to procure through the City Engineer and to place on file with the Board of Supervisors, plans and estimates of the cost of original construction, completion and equipment of such public utility: and determining and declaring that the public interest and necessity require the acquisition by said City and County of San Francisco, of the telephone system of the Bay Cities Home Telephone Company, in said City and County of San Francisco: and determining and declaring that public interest and necessity require that any merger of the said Bay Cities Home Telephone Company, and of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, be disapproved, rejected and defeated, and that said Bay Cities Home Telephone Company be not released from any contracts or other obligations to the said City and County.
View the Voter Pamphlet (PDF)	

The Ballot Propositions Database enables you to search the library's collection of Voter Information Pamphlets and handbooks for San Francisco municipal elections. The content dates back to 1907, and contains small gaps in coverage. The database links to digitized PDF versions of the pamphlets for each election.

Search the database by date, title, letter or number designation or words in the description. The results contain basic information about each proposition, including results and a brief description of the proposition. At the end of each summary is a link to a PDF of the ballot pamphlet for the election.

Some of the files for the ballot pamphlets (now known as Voter Information Pamphlets) are very large and may cause prolonged downloads. A number of different versions of the pamphlet may have been produced for an election, and these versions are contained in the files.

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