

Contrary to claims made by Charter opponents, backed by big labor, the only "Power grab," the Charter represents is Escondido voters standing up to take power back from the hands of Sacramento bureaucrats and big labor. The Charter is about local control and local values, plain and simple.

Sacramento is a mess because of big government, Escondido doesn't have to be.

Escondido is the 37th largest of the 478 incorporated cities in California and we continue to grow, building new homes, new schools and new businesses that create jobs for our citizens. Escondido is finally on the right track to prosperous growth and a vibrant economy and we need the power to shape our government locally.

FICTION: Charter grants unchecked authority to council members

FACT: Council authority is still limited by state laws and by voters

FICTION: Charter allows "back room deals"

FACT: California's open government law, "The Brown Act" still applies fully under the charter

FICTION: Charter allows council to "give" taxpayer funds to special interests with no conditions

FACT: This claim is totally false, State law will still prohibit "give-aways"

FICTION: Charter will not allow for competitive bidding or assure competence of contractors

FACT: Charter status will NOT end competitive bidding

FACT: Big Labor opposes the Charter initiative almost exclusively on the grounds that it will allow our City to negotiate free-market prices paid for work done with city funds.

Vote YES on the Charter City, yes for Escondido Taxpayers and Yes to local control.

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