



**Argument in Opposition to Proposition 106**

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Phoenix Community Alliance (PCA) opposes Ballot Proposition 106 because it would strictly limit future spending on many things that boost quality of life both in Downtown Phoenix and all around the City. The initiative would halt the incredible progress the City and community have made in key programs like parks, libraries, senior centers, arts and culture, homelessness services and more.

PCA is a 36-year-old business leadership and advocacy organization with more than 260 Members, including businesses, nonprofits and neighborhood associations. We urge you to vote “no” on Proposition 106.

In Downtown Phoenix, the initiative would harm the great places and institutions that make our community vibrant – things like First Fridays, events in Downtown parks, maintenance and programming for cultural gems in Hance Park, the Symphony, Ballet, Opera, Children’s Museum and Art Museum. The Proposition would bar the City from investing any new revenue beyond an inflation- and population-adjusted formula on anything except for pension debt and public safety. Those areas are crucial as well, but already make up the majority of the City budget. Starving the rest of the budget to boost spending in those particular areas would be disastrous for the programs that make Phoenix a great place to live.

Other reasons to oppose the initiative are that Proposition 106:

- is poorly written, confusing and would likely end up in court, wasting time and money
- would force the City to adopt inaccurate and dangerous accounting practices that are not used anywhere else around the country
- would lead to higher costs and tax increases in the future

The bottom line is that Proposition 106 prevents the City from enhancing the programs that support families and neighborhoods – and could force some of those programs to go away. Please vote “no” to preserve Phoenix’s future.

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