

SUMMARY OF ELECTIONS

NOVEMBER 8, 2022	
Mayor, District 1 & 3 City Council Seats	
MAYOR AT-LARGE (4 YEARS)	
Steve Vaus **	10,822
Delta Esparza	6,183
Yuri Bohlen	1,611
Emeka Ibekwe	560
Bhavana Kansal	269
COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 (4 YEARS)	
Brian Pepin*	2,520
Hiram Soto	2,113
COUNCIL DISTRICT 3 (4 YEARS)	
Peter De Hoff *	2,143
Kevin Juza	1,763
Tony Russo	949
Registered Voters	32,849
Total Votes Cast for Mayor At-Large	19,445
Total Votes Cast for District 1	4,633
Total Votes cast for District 3	4,855

*Elected

**Re-elected

District 2 Councilmember Leonard resigned June 6, 2023. Council appointed Anita Edmondson on August 1, 2023 to fill the remainder of the term expiring December 2024.

NOVEMBER 3, 2020	
District 2 & 4 City Council Seats & Measure	
COUNCIL DISTRICT 2 (4 YEARS)	
Barry Leonard**	4,247
Phil Factor	3,188
COUNCIL DISTRICT 4 (4 YEARS)	
Caylin Frank**	2,696
Chris Olps	2,066
Frank Fournier	601
MEASURE P	
Do you approve The Farm in Poway Specific Plan as adopted by the Poway City Council to amend the General Plan and Zoning Code to allow development of a master-planned sustainable community with a maximum of 160 homes and at least 70.4 acres of permanent open space including community-serving recreational and agricultural amenities, on approximately 117.2 acres at 17166 Stoneridge Country Club Lane in the City of Poway?	
Yes	17,483
No	10,664
Measure P passed.	
Registered Voters	33,039
Total Votes Cast	29,379
Voter Turnout	88.92%

*Elected

**Re-elected

NOVEMBER 6, 2018	
Mayor, District 1 & 3 City Council Seats & City Council Short-Term Seat	
MAYOR	
Steve Vaus **	12,895
Brian Edmonston	3,929
Emily Johnson	3,169
Yuri Bohlen	634
COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 (4 YEARS)	
Dave Grosch **	2,257
Jon Ryan	1,181
Pete Neild	863
John Carson	343
COUNCIL DISTRICT 3 (4 YEARS)	
John Mullin **	3,140
Joe Calabrese	1,723
COUNCIL SHORT-TERM, AT-LARGE (2 YEARS)	
Caylin Frank *	9,338
Torrey Powers	6,811
Tony T. Russo	2,331
Registered Voters	30,171
Total Votes Cast approximately (2 card ballot)	20,687
Voter Turnout	74.3%

*Elected

**Re-elected

City transitioned to by-district elections beginning in 2018.

Councilmember Cunningham resigned June 6, 2018. Council appointed Caylin Frank on June 20, 2018 to fill the remainder of the term ending December 2018.

NOVEMBER 7, 2017	
Special Municipal Election – Citizen’s Initiative	
MEASURE A	
Shall the ordinance changing the General Plan and Zoning Land Use Map to redesignate a portion of the Stoneridge Country Club from Open-Space Recreation to Residential Condominium with the Stoneridge Overlay Zone to allow for the development of not more than 180 residential condominium units for residents over the age of 55 be adopted?	
Yes	4,486
No	7,603
Measure A failed.	
Registered Voters	29,173
Total Ballots Cast	12,104
Voter Turnout	41.29%

NOVEMBER 8, 2016	
2 City Council Seats & Measure	
COUNCIL	

Jim Cunningham**	9,542
Barry Leonard*	6,291
Julie Bendinelli	3,820
Joe Calabrese	3,133
Amy Romaker	2,905
Jonathan "Jon" Ryan	2,680
Sean Finley	2,603
Christopher Olps	2,337
Torrey Powers	1,696
John McConin	1,397
MEASURE W	
Do you approve Specific Plan Amendment 16-002 as adopted by the Poway City Council to amend the Old Coach Golf Estates Specific Plan, to allow development of a hotel with up to 240 rooms on the existing Maderas Golf Course site located at 17750 Old Coach Road?	
Yes	11,319
No	11,999
Measure W failed.	
Registered Voters	29,173
Total Votes Cast	25,180
Voter Turnout	86.3%

*Elected

**Re-elected

Councilmember Vaus elected to Mayor created a vacancy on the City Council. Council appointed Barry Leonard on January 20, 2015 to fill the remainder of the term expiring December 2016.

NOVEMBER 4, 2014
Mayor & 2 City Council Seats

MAYOR	
Steve Vaus*	8,481
Don Higginson	6,855
COUNCIL	
Dave Grosch**	10,657
John Mullin**	8,979
Christopher Olps	3,883
Registered Voters	28,759
Total Ballots Cast	16,191
Total Votes Cast	47,399
Voter Turnout	56%

*Elected

**Re-elected

NOVEMBER 6, 2012
2 City Council Seats

COUNCIL	
Steve Vaus*	11,707
Jim Cunningham**	11,571
Jeff Mangum	7,705
Gary Vineyard	4,188
Registered Voters	29,243
Total Ballots Cast	24,144
Total Votes Cast	35,204
Voter Turnout	82.56%

*Elected

**Re-elected

NOVEMBER 2, 2010
Mayor & 2 City Council Seats

MAYOR	
Don Higginson **	9,657
R.W. 'Nick' Stavros	8,138
COUNCIL	
John Mullin **	9,440
Dave Grosch *	7,313
Pete Babich	6,981
Carl Kruse	5,929
Registered Voters	27,875
Total Ballots Cast	19,937
Total Votes Cast	17,833
Voter Turnout	71.52%

*Elected

**Re-elected

JUNE 8, 2010
Special Municipal Recall Election

RECALL

Shall Betty Rexford Be Recalled (Removed) from the Office of Member of the City Council?

Yes	9,408
No	2,656
Recall passed.	
For Member of the City Council to Succeed Councilmember Betty Rexford if she is Recalled (Term Ending December 2010)	
John Mullin *	3,152
Steve Vaus	3,049
Pete Babich	2,026
Dave Grosch	1,214
Chuck Cross	709
David Radcliff	618
Roger Willoughby	377
Howard Collins	238
Registered Voters	27,421
Total Ballots Cast –Recall Yes or No	12,064
Total Ballots Cast – Replacement	11,423
Voter Turnout	29%

*Elected

NOVEMBER 4, 2008
2 City Council Seats

COUNCIL

Merrilee Boyack **	11,967
Jim Cunningham *	11,161
Chuck Cross	6,370
Howard Collins	4,583
Registered Voters	28,551
Total Ballots Cast	13,077
Total Votes Cast	24,956
Voter Turnout	87.41%

*Elected

**Re-elected

NOVEMBER 7, 2006
Mayor & 2 City Council Seats

MAYOR	
Mickey Cafagna *	12,994
Ed Carboneau	2,893
COUNCIL	
Don Higginson **	10,030
Betty Rexford **	9,426
Connie Messina	3,751
Joe St. Lucas	2,717
David Knopp	2,281
Registered Voters	27,532
Total Ballots Cast	17,432
Total Votes Cast	15,995
Voter Turnout	63.32%

*Elected

**Re-elected

NOVEMBER 2, 2004
2 City Council Seats

COUNCIL	
Bob Emery **	7,798
Merrilee Boyack *	7,788
Jeff Lake	6,382
R.W. "Nick" Stavros	5,351
Scott Harman	4,138
Connie Messina	3,037
David C. Harrison	1,629
Michael J. Doleshal	851
Registered Voters	29,050
Total Ballots Cast	24,057
Total Votes Cast	36,998
Voter Turnout	82.81%

*Elected

**Re-elected

MARCH 2, 2004	
Special Municipal Election – Citizen’s Initiative	
PROPOSITION E	
Shall an Ordinance be adopted which would change the General Plan and Zoning Designations of Approximately Twenty Acres at the Northwest Corner of Highway 67 and Poway Road from Rural Residential to Automotive/General Commercial?	
Yes	2,601
No	12,211
Proposition E failed.	
Registered Voters	26,637
Total Ballots Cast	14,812
Voter Turnout	50.26%

MARCH 5, 2002	
Special Municipal Election – City Measure	
PROPOSITION J	
Shall the General Plan of the City of Poway be amended to allow fire stations on property having a natural slope in excess of ten percent?	
Yes	7,779
No	1,815
Proposition J passed.	
Registered Voters	26,755
Total Ballots Cast	10,110
Voter Turnout	37.7%

NOVEMBER 5, 2002	
Mayor, 2 City Council Seats & Measure	
MAYOR	
Mickey Cafagna *	10,035
Louis Tooch	4,462
COUNCIL	
Betty Rexford *	8,975
Don Higginson *	8,791
R.W. “Nick” Stavros	6,071
PROPOSITION N	
Shall an ordinance of the City of Poway be adopted which would increase the Transient Occupancy Tax from the current six percent to ten percent of a hotel or motel guest’s room rate?	
Yes	7,881
No	6,614
Proposition N passed.	
Registered Voters	27,244
Total Ballots Cast	15,808
Voter Turnout	58%

*Re-elected

NOVEMBER 7, 2000 2 City Council Seats	
COUNCIL	
Jay Goldby *	11,771
Bob Emery *	11,467
Roger Willoughby	6,778
Registered Voters	27,234
Total Ballots Cast	17,698
Voter Turnout	79%

*Re-elected

NOVEMBER 3, 1998 Mayor & 2 City Council Seats	
MAYOR	
Mickey Cafagna *	9,452
Joe Diaz, Jr.	5,386
COUNCIL	
Don Higginson *	10,260
Betty Rexford **	9,968
Gary R. Vineyard, Sr.	3,372
Louis J. Tooch	1,353
Willie Holland	1,235
Registered Voters	25,748
Total Ballots Cast	16,345
Voter Turnout	64%

*Elected

**Re-elected

JUNE 2, 1998 Special Municipal Election – City Measure	
PROPOSITION J	
Shall an Ordinance for funding police, fire, medical and other emergency services be approved which establishes as a special tax the previously authorized charge to continue paying Poway's costs of participating in the Regional Communications System?	
Yes	6,794
No	3,188
Proposition J passed.	
Registered Voters	25,166
Total Ballots Cast	11,089
Voter Turnout	44%

JUNE 3, 1997	
Special Municipal Election – City Measure	
PROPOSITION A	
Shall an Ordinance replacing the fire protection fee in effect in Poway since 1982 with a fire protection special tax be adopted which will not increase the amount of the assessment and will be used only for fire protection purposes?	
Yes	4,010
No	752
Proposition A passed.	
Registered Voters	26,449
Total Ballots Cast	4,853
Voter Turnout	18%

NOVEMBER 5, 1996	
2 Council Seats & Measure	
COUNCIL	
Bob Emery **	10,557
Jay Goldby*	8,233
Merrilee Boyack	8,899
Peggy Collette	2,920
Katrina Pavin	1,994
Ed Malone	1,899
Gary Vineyard	1,015
John Gonnerman	464
PROPOSITION S	
Shall there be adopted in the City of Poway the following: An initiative ordinance to amend the Municipal Code regarding the keeping or large animals?	
Yes	3,495
No	15,214
Proposition S failed.	
Registered Voters	27,160
Total Ballots Cast	19,860
Voter Turnout	73%

*Elected

**Re-elected

NOVEMBER 8, 1994	
Mayor & 2 Council Seats	
MAYOR	
Don Higginson **	11,110
Tony Snesko	5,528
COUNCIL	
Mickey Cafagna*	8,017
Betty Rexford*	6,678
Kyle Everson	6,301
Jim Crosby	4,431
Juil White	1,880
Registered Voters	26,522
Total Ballots Cast	17,594
Voter Turnout	66.3%

*Elected

**Re-elected

Councilmember Higginson elected to Mayor created a vacancy on the City Council. Council appointed Mickey Cafagna on December 8, 1992 to fill the remainder of the term expiring December 1994.

NOVEMBER 3, 1992	
Mayor Short Term & 2 City Council Seats	
MAYOR SHORT TERM (2 YEARS)	
Don Higginson **	13,619
William Hickey	5,306
COUNCIL	
Bob Emery **	11,665
Susan Callery*	8,745
Judy Mantle	5,332
Vicki Lazowski	5,304
Howard Collins	2,021
PROPOSITION S	
Shall an ordinance be adopted which would require voter approval of land use changes which would permit an asphalt plant in the South Poway Planned Community?	
Yes	14,174
No	5,270
Proposition S passed.	
Registered Voters	26,775
Total Ballots Cast	21,162
Voter Turnout	72%

*Elected

**Re-elected

Mayor Goldsmith resigned August 4, 1992. Councilmember Higginson was appointed to Mayor until the November 3, 1992 Election. Kathy McIntyre was appointed December 11, 1990 to fill the Council vacancy vacated by Don Higginson until the November 3, 1992 General Election.

NOVEMBER 6, 1990	
Mayor & 2 City Council Seats	
MAYOR	
Jan Goldsmith*	8,854
Bob Emery	5,519
COUNCIL	
Tony Snesko*	7,515
Don Higginson **	6,713
Alan Sugarman	5,802
Vicki Lazowski	4,715
Barry Stratton	2,058
Registered Voters	23,386
Total Ballots Cast	15,233
Voter Turnout	65%
*Elected	
**Re-elected	

JUNE 5, 1990	
Special Municipal Election - City Measures	
PROPOSITION J	
Shall the General Plan be amended to permit churches and other religious institutional uses to be constructed on natural slopes of greater than ten percent in rural residential areas?	
Yes	3,555
No	5,188
Proposition J failed.	
PROPOSITION K	
Shall the electors elect four City Councilmembers and a Mayor who shall have a term of office of four years?	
Yes	6,056
No	2,700
Proposition K passed.	
Registered Voters	22,611
Total Ballots Cast	9,363
Voter Turnout	41%

NOVEMBER 8, 1988
2 City Council Seats, 2 Measures

COUNCIL

Jan Goldsmith *	8,709
Bob Emery **	7,984
Larry Valente	6,687
Gordon Meyer	4,968

PROPOSITION FF

Shall an Ordinance of the City of Poway be adopted which would require voter approval of the following types of land use changes: (1) a land use change to any property in the City zoned or designated rural residential or open space if such change would permit commercial, or manufacturing use or increase the residential density allowed by the law now in effect; (2) a land use change in the South Poway Planned Community if such change would increase the residential density allowed for the South Poway Planned Community; (3) a land use change in the Old Coach Planned Community if such change would increase the residential density or increase the commercial or manufacturing use allowed in the Old Coach Planned Community?

Yes	10,960
No	5,969
Proposition FF passed	

PROPOSITION GG

Shall there be adopted in the City of Poway the following: An initiative requiring the preparation of a "Quality of Life Plan", requiring approval of such plan by the Poway City Council and by the voters and, if the "Quality of Life Plan" is not approved by the voters in a future election, a moratorium is imposed on discretionary zone changes and General Plan Amendments?

Yes	4,334
No	12,159
Proposition GG failed.	

Registered Voters	23,719
Total Ballots Cast	18,291
Voter Turnout	77%

*Elected

**Re-elected

NOVEMBER 4, 1986**3 City Council Seats**

COUNCIL	
Linda Brannon *	6,231
Don Higginson *	4,801
Carl Kruse *	4,287
Linda Oravec	3,791
Mary Shepardson	3,452
Roger Willoughby	1,693
Brian Quinn	1,581
Barry Stratton	1,153
Bruce Hamilton	1,131
Allen Kozakiewicz	1,008
Frank Zemke	824
Walter Champagne	788
Joan Calton	748
Registered Voters	20,030
Total Ballots Cast	11,588
Voter Turnout	58%

*Elected

NOVEMBER 6, 1984**2 City Council Seats**

COUNCIL	
Bob Emery *	8,574
Bruce Tarzy *	7,609
Roger Willoughby	5,165
Mark O'Dell	3,721
Registered Voters	19,419
Total Ballots Cast	14,607
Voter Turnout	75%

*Elected

APRIL 13, 1982
3 City Council Seats

COUNCIL	
Linda Oravec *	3,407
Mary Shepardson *	3,305
Clyde Rexrode **	2,235
W.A. "Bill" Cole	2,048
Ellen Hamberg	1,470
L.A. "Bud" Weiderrich	1,388
David Daniels	934
Frank Palfy	715
Mark Tutt	588
Norman Rauch	584
Robert Wilcox	231
Registered Voters	15,755
Total Ballots Cast	5,806
Voter Turnout	37%

*Elected

** Clyde Rexrode passed away on April 12, 1982 that created a vacancy on the City Council. Council appointed Carl Kruse on May 4, 1982 to fill the 4-year term expiring December 1986.