

TO Communities United for Karen Bass

FROM FM3 Research

RE: Los Angeles Mayor Survey Results

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A survey¹ of completed last night of 798 Los Angeles voters likely to vote in the June 7th primary election, U.S. Representative Karen Bass and real estate developer Rick Caruso continue to be locked in a close race for Mayor, with Bass pulling ahead once the actual head-to-head choice is presented to voters. The multi-candidate primary vote for Mayor finds Caruso ahead of Bass by two points, 37% to 35%, well within the survey margin of error. It should be noted that interviewing began on May 13th, just after Councilman Joe Buscaino withdrew from the race and endorsed Caruso, but before City Attorney Mike Feuer announced he was withdrawing and supporting Bass. Both candidates' names will still appear on the June ballot.

Figure 1: June Primary Vote for Mayor of Los Angeles

Candidate	Percentage
Rick Caruso	37%
Karen Bass	35%
Kevin de León	6%
Mike Feuer	6%
Joe Buscaino	1%
Someone else	6%
Undecided	10%

When voters were asked to choose between just Bass and Caruso—the choice they will almost certainly face this November, Bass takes a nearly 10-point lead, 48% to 39%. This result is among just the likely June voters; in November the electorate is very likely to be younger and more Democratic, voters who are more receptive to the life-long Democrat Karen Bass than Rick Caruso.

Figure 2: Bass vs. Caruso Vote for Mayor of Los Angeles

Candidate	Percentage
Karen Bass	48%
Rick Caruso	39%
Undecided	13%

¹ **Survey Methodology:** From May 13-17, FM3 conducted a survey on behalf of Communities United for Karen Bass of 798 City of Los Angeles voters likely to cast a ballot in the June 2022 Mayoral primary election. Respondents were contacted via email, text messaging and landline and cell/mobile telephone. Interviews were conducted online and by live interviewers. The sample margin of error for the results is +/-3.1% at the 95% confidence level; the margin of error for population subgroups will be higher. Due to rounding, some percentages may not sum to 100%.