

Argument Against City of Clovis- Public Safety/City Services Measure

Fresno County

City of Clovis

November 5, 2024 Presidential General Election

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How has your cost of living fared over the last few years? What about that of your neighbors? Rather than cast a vote in favor of this higher sales tax for the City of Clovis we ask you to consider the following:

This tax will impose **\$28,000,000 every year** on the people of Clovis with no end date. Perhaps you think your share of that burden is well worth paying, given the promise of continuing and improving emergency services in your city. We agree that safety services are important, and if you feel that this is a cause worth giving money towards, we applaud your generosity and your desire to contribute to your community. But we ask you to consider other options to fund these projects; if you are willing to contribute to these in the form of a tax, would you be willing to do so through voluntary charity instead? Furthermore, are you aware that according to the measure itself, the raised funds are not guaranteed for public services, but could be used for any general services?

Think again of your neighbors: many of them have struggled the past few years, and even a 1% sales tax increase may represent a substantial increase in their cost of living. That's less money available to put food on the table, save for their children's high education, or even pay those expensive medical bills after the paramedics have left. We applaud the community spirit of those who wish to raise money for a worthy cause; we simply ask that they turn first towards voluntary means to do so, especially given the difficult financial times that many find themselves in.

Allow your neighbors to decide for themselves which causes they choose to fund, and vote **NO on Measure _**.

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The undersigned author(s) of the: ☐ Argument in Favor ☐ Rebuttal to Argument in Favor
☒ Argument Against ☐ Rebuttal to Argument Against

of ballot measure City of Clovis - Public Safety / City Services Measure at the Presidential General Election
(Name and/or Letter) (Title of Election)
for the City of Clovis to be held on November 5, 2024 hereby state that this
(Jurisdiction) (Date)

argument is true and correct to the best of his/her/their knowledge and belief.

1.	<u>Matthew Hartwig</u> (Printed Name) <u>Chair, Libertarian Party of Fresno County</u> (Title to Appear on Argument)	<u>8/11/24</u> (Date)
2.	<u>Kat McElroy</u> (Printed Name) <u>Vice Chair, Libertarian Party of Fresno County</u> (Title to Appear on Argument)	<u>8/11/24</u> (Date)
3.	<u></u> (Printed Name) <u></u> (Title to Appear on Argument)	<u></u> (Signature) <u></u> (Date)
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IMPORTANT FILING INFORMATION: I, Kat McElroy am the
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designated filer of the above titled argument/rebuttal. Please notify me of any questions pertaining to this filing. Below is my contact information.

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District Board

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Title: _____

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B. The following information is submitted by the author(s) to establish that the organization or group is a Bona Fide Association of Citizens

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Bona Fide Association of Citizens (Group or organization has not been formed to support or oppose the measure)

Name of Association: Libertarian Party of Fresno County

Principal Officer's Signature: _____

Principal Officer's Name (Printed): Matthew Hartwig

Title: Chair

Phone: 559-785-0810 Fax: _____ E-mail: fresnolp@ca.lp.org

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August 14, 2024

Dear Fresno County Registrar,

The Libertarian Party of Fresno County is a political party (FPPC ID # 1458839) with our officers being:

- Matthew Hartwig, Chair
- Kat McElroy, Vice Chair
- Rachel Wilie Gonzalez, Treasurer
- Thomas Caldwell, Secretary
- Marshal Fechner, At Large

All of the above are authorized signers for the party.

Our address is:

33177 Auberry Rd
Auberry, CA 93602

In Liberty,

Matthew Hartwig

Chair, Libertarian Party of Fresno County