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**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
PARLIER AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL PARCEL TAX FOR FIRE
PROTECTION SERVICES TO BE DESIGNATED AS MEASURE " _ "
TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS ON NOVEMBER 7, 2017**

WHEREAS, the City of Parlier has joint responsibility with the Fresno County Fire Protection District ("FCFPD") to provide fire protection services for the City of Parlier pursuant to a contract entered into on July 1st, 2004 (the "Services Agreement");

WHEREAS, since entering the Services Agreement, the City has experienced, and continues to experience, a decline in revenues that has caused the City to fall behind in its payments required under the Services Agreement;

WHEREAS, the City and the FCFPD entered into a Mutual Release and Compromise Agreement on September 13, 2016 (the "Settlement Agreement"), that provided terms and conditions whereby the City could satisfy its outstanding debt to the FCFPD and ensure continued fire protection services for the citizens of Parlier;

WHEREAS, one term and condition set forth in the Settlement Agreement requires the City to place on the ballot in 2017 a special parcel tax measure for the provision of fire protection services to the City of Parlier; and

WHEREAS, the last opportunity to place such a measure on the ballot in 2017 and to satisfy that condition of the Settlement Agreement is the regularly scheduled General Election to be held on November 7, 2017.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the City Council of the City of Parlier as follows:

SECTION 1: That a municipal election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the City on November 7, 2017, at which election there shall be submitted to the qualified voters the proposition set forth below.

SECTION 2: That said proposition shall appear on the ballot in the following form:

MEASURE __

PARLIER ESSENTIAL CITY SERVICES
FIRE PROTECTION MEASURE

 TO SUPPORT AND MAINTAIN ESSENTIAL LOCAL FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES; MAINTAIN EMERGENCY RESPONSE TIMES; AND PROTECT PUBLIC SAFETY, SHALL THE CITY OF PARLIER LEVY A SPECIAL PARCEL TAX FOR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES ONLY, EQUAL TO THE FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT'S COUNTY-WIDE TAX RATE AS APPLIED TO ASSESSED PROPERTY VALUES, BOTH ADJUSTED FOR THE MOST RECENT FISCAL YEAR, CURRENTLY AT .00078377 AND APPROXIMATELY EQUAL TO \$78.37 PER \$100,000 OF PROPERTY VALUE TO BENEFIT CITY RESIDENTS?

SECTION 3: The municipal election hereby called for November 7, 2017, shall be and is hereby ordered consolidated with the General Election to be held within the City on said date, and within the territory affected by the consolidation. The Board of Supervisors of Fresno County and the Fresno County Clerk, Elections Division, are hereby requested to order the consolidation of the municipal election hereby called with the General Election to be held within the City on said date, and within the territory affected by the consolidation, and the Board and the Elections Division are hereby authorized to canvass the returns of said municipal election, and said municipal election shall be held in all respects as if there were only one election and the form of ballot shall be as provided for the General Election. Said Board shall certify the results of the canvass of the returns of said municipal election to the City Council which shall thereafter declare the results thereof. The measure submitted by this Resolution shall be designated on each ballot by a letter printed on the left margin of the square containing the description of the measure as provided by the California Elections Code.

SECTION 4: The City Attorney shall prepare, and the City elections official shall publish, a synopsis of the measure in accordance with Election Code Section 1211.

SECTION 5: The full text of the measure shall be made available at the office of the Fresno County Clerk/Registrar of Voters and the Parlier City Clerk's Office (559-646-3545).

SECTION 6: Passage of this measure requires a **two-thirds majority** of votes.

SECTION 7: The City of Parlier requests that the Fresno County Clerk/Registrar of Voters conduct the election and canvass the returns, and the City consents to reimburse the Registrar of Voters for all costs incurred for these services.

SECTION 8: In all particulars not recited in this resolution, the election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections.

SECTION 9: Arguments in favor or against the proposed measure are permissible and shall be filed with the Fresno County Clerk/Registrar of Voters in accordance with Elections Code Section 9282. The City Manager and his staff are hereby directed to prepare and file a written argument in favor of the proposed measure not to exceed 300 words on behalf of the City Council. In the event an argument is filed against the measure, an argument against said proposition, the City Manager and his staff shall prepare and file a rebuttal argument on behalf of the City Council.

SECTION 10: Pursuant to Election Code 10002, the County Clerk/Registrar of Voters is hereby requested to take all steps incident to the preparation for and the holding of the election in accordance with law and these specifications.

SECTION 11: The City Attorney shall prepare an impartial analysis of the measure in accordance with Elections Code Section 9280 and file it with the Fresno County Clerk/Registrar of Voters.

SECTION 12: The City Clerk shall file a certified copy of this resolution with the Fresno County Clerk/Registrar of Voters as required by law. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to work with the Fresno County Clerk/Registrar of Voters and take all steps necessary to cause placement of the measure on the ballot.

SECTION 13: The City Clerk and the City Attorney are authorized to make any typographical, clerical, non-substantive corrections to this resolution and to the ballot measure as may be deemed necessary by the Fresno County Clerk/Registrar of Voters.

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The foregoing resolution was approved and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Parlier held on the 5th day of July, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Beltran, Mayor Pro tem Escoto, Council member Maldonado, Council member Rodriguez, Council member Pimentel

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

APPROVED:



Alma M. Beltran, Mayor

ATTEST:



Dorothy Garza
City Clerk

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