

PUBLIC NOTICE

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MEASURE TO BE VOTED ON AND NOTICE OF DATE FIXED FOR SUBMITTING ARGUMENTS ON THE CITY OF FOWLER SALES TAX INCREASE MEASURE

Notice is hereby given that the following measure is to be voted on at the City of Fowler municipal election to be held in the City of Fowler, on Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

Initiative Measure for Sales Tax Increase

To generate approximately \$953,000 annually to build a new police station and restore or replace out-of-date police equipment. Revenues will also be used to fix city streets needing repair and to pay escalating pension obligations and other general fund obligations. Shall the City of Fowler enact a 1 cent sales tax, requiring an annual reporting of expenses, with all funds generated staying in the City of Fowler?

Yes ___

No ___

Synopsis of Measure

INITIATIVE MEASURE FOR SALES TAX INCREASE

The proposed measure would authorize a one percent (1.0%) increase to the sales tax within the City of Fowler that would be imposed on retail transactions involving the sale and use of personal property. Revenues raised by the new tax would belong to the City of Fowler and would not be shared with the County, State, or any other agency. The sales tax rate in the City of Fowler from all sources would increase from 7.975% to 8.975% if this measure is approved by the voters. This measure does not require any new tax revenue be used for a particular purpose, instead going to the general fund for any government purpose, including, but not limited to potentially funding a new police station and replacing out-of-date police equipment, paying for street repairs, and paying for other general fund obligations. The proposed sales tax increase contains no sunset date.

Arguments for or against the measure may be submitted to the Fresno County Clerk/Elections, 2221 Kern St., Fresno, CA 93721, no later than Wednesday August 29, 2018 by 5:00 pm. Paper copies of arguments must be submitted with original signatures, as well as by email at clerk-elections@fresnocountyca.gov in MS Word format. No argument shall exceed 300 words in length. Arguments may be submitted by the legislative body, or any member or members of the legislative body authorized by that body, or any individual voter who is eligible to vote on the measure, or bona fide association of citizens, or argument submitted. If an argument is signed by more than five persons, the names of only the first five persons signing, determined by the order in which their signatures appear, shall be printed with the argument.

Only one argument for and one argument against each measure will be selected for printing and distribution to the voters. Preference and priority in selection will be given in the order named: (1) The legislative body, or member or members of the legislative body authorized by that body; (2) The individual voter or bona fide association of citizens, or combination of voters and associations, who are the bona fide sponsors or proponents of the measure; (3) Bona fide associations of citizens; (4) Individual voters who are eligible to vote on the measure. Any argument submitted shall not be changed after August 29, 2018 by 5:00 pm.

ALL ARGUMENTS submitted shall be verified in substantially the following form:

VERIFICATION

The undersigned author(s) of the (primary/rebuttal) argument (in favor of/against) ballot proposition (name or number) at the (title of election) election for the (jurisdiction) to be held on (date) hereby state that this argument is true and correct to the best of (his/her/their) knowledge and belief.

Signed _____

Date _____

Signed _____

Date _____

Dated: August 22, 2018

Brandi L. Orth
County Clerk/Registrar of Voters

By _____
Elieana Duncan
Elections Program Technician

Quienes desean obtener la version espanola de este aviso legal pueden solicitar una copia de la misma llamando al Departamento de Elecciones, (559) 600-8683.