

ARGUMENT FOR MEASURE S

Parlier residents value their City services, especially police protection, maintenance of critical infrastructure and support for programs that enhance the quality of life for everyone.

In spite of managing its finances responsibly through recent years, the City faces a deepening fiscal crisis that threatens to erode these services. Measure S will enable the City to maintain services at current levels. Like most California cities, Parlier is feeling the impact of several trends undermining it's long term fiscal viability. Local government budgets are increasingly strained by declining revenues due to changes in consumer spending patterns, increased costs of providing services, steep assessments by the State for its investment shortfalls and declining federal support for core services. There is an on-going need to deal with aging infrastructure in every city, and Parlier is no exception.

If additional funds are not secured our community faces the potential for service cuts and deteriorating facilities. This is not the future the City Council wants for Parlier and is why the Council unanimously voted to place Measure S on a special election ballot. If Measure S fails, the City will likely face ever increasing annual deficits which, unless abated by the enhancement to revenues provided by Measure S, could result in reduction of service levels including:

- Reducing Police presence, crime prevention and intervention.
- Delaying repair of aging infrastructure and facilities.
- Reducing support for programs helping seniors, children and others in need.

Passing Measure S allows the City of Parlier to sustain its current level of funding for public safety, parks and community programs. All funds from Measure S will stay right here in our community.

Protect the services we count on. **Vote Yes** on Measure S.

The undersigned author of the Argument in Favor of Ballot Proposition Measure S of the November 5, 2019, Special Municipal Election of the City of Parlier to be held on November 5, 2019, hereby state that this argument is true and correct to the best of her knowledge and belief.

Date: [REDACTED], 2019

By: [REDACTED]
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City of Parlier