

**ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF THE REEDLEY PUBLIC
SAFETY & VITAL CITY SERVICES MEASURE**

Vote YES on Measure **1** to keep local sales tax dollars in Reedley so that we can protect funding for local priorities and vital City services such as: maintaining 911 emergency response times, police protection, neighborhood patrols; repairing streets, alleys, potholes, and other infrastructure; maintain neighborhood parks, youth, after-school, and senior programs; retain and attract local businesses and address homelessness. This measure would provide approximately \$1,500,000 annually with all funds benefitting Reedley residents.

The Reedley City Council unanimously declared a Fiscal Emergency in August 2019. The City is facing increases in operating costs including contracted services, liability insurance, personnel and pension costs. Over the last seven years, the City has implemented cost-saving measures, including reducing its workforce and cutting expenditures. Even with these steps and a stable economy, Reedley's General Fund faces a budget deficit that is expected to expand to almost **\$2 million** by 2024.

Most of the sales tax dollars paid in Reedley go outside Reedley – to the State and Fresno County. Those purposes are worthy, but Reedley's tax dollars should help Reedley more than they do now. Basic City-funded services will be impacted in the near future by insufficient revenue if no new, locally controlled funding source is provided. Examples include emergency response services and repairing streets, alleyways, potholes, sidewalks and storm drains. The revenue is also needed to retain and preserve police officer levels to ensure that there are enough on-duty police officers to prevent crime and respond quickly to 911 calls, and to replace antiquated front line public safety equipment, such as police cars, radios, and fire trucks.

Rather than sending more sales tax dollars to be used outside the city, all Reedley residents should vote YES on Measure **1**!

Keep Reedley's funds in Reedley to keep our community the premier place that it is!

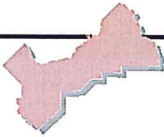
Frank Piñon, Mayor of the City of Reedley

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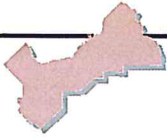
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	<u>Mayor, City of Reedley</u> (Title to Appear on Argument)	<u>11-16-19</u> (Date)
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