

Rebuttal to the Argument Against Measure Y

The state of California has reduced Los Alamitos' fair share of property tax and sales tax and pension liabilities have also increased due in part to the state's investment choices. These actions by the state forced Los Alamitos to make drastic reductions in personnel, programs, and services that benefit residents and businesses. Although these cutbacks have helped balance our budget in the past, it is simply not enough and not sustainable. Without Measure Y, we will need to reduce police personnel and resources that have made us one of the safest cities and best communities in Orange County. With less personnel, 911 police response times will certainly get delayed. Without Measure Y, we will also likely need to reduce programs and services for our residents of all ages and reduce infrastructure maintenance.

State law prevents sales tax rates from going up more 2% above the state rate of 7.25%. Already, the County of Orange has taken .5% of this 2%. Without Measure Y, the remaining 1.5% will likely be commandeered to some agency outside the city such as the State Fund, County of Orange, OCTA, or AQMD, all of which are also suffering from financial hardships. Supporting Measure Y will ensure that the 1.5% sales tax revenue will be received and reinvested directly back into the City of Los Alamitos, preserving our quality of life, our safety, and our community.

Vote Yes on Measure Y to ensure that Los Alamitos remains a sustainable, safe, and thriving city for many generations to come.

The undersigned proponents or authors of the Rebuttal to the Argument Against Measure Y at the Municipal Election for the City of Los Alamitos to be held on November 3, 2020 hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

 Date: 8-13-20
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Bus or Org: Los Alamitos City Council

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Name/Title: Dean Grose/Councilmember
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FORM OF STATEMENT TO BE FILED BY AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS

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All arguments concerning measures filed pursuant to Division 9, Chapter 3 (beginning with § 9200) of the Elections Code shall be accompanied by the following form statement **to be signed** by each proponent, and by each author, if different, of the argument:

The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the (primary/rebuttal) argument (in favor of/against) ballot measure relating to the one and one-half cent (1.5%) sales tax (transaction and use tax) at the General Municipal Election for the City of Los Alamitos to be held on November 3, 2020 hereby state that the argument is true and correct to the best of (his/her/their) knowledge and belief.

Print <u>Shelley Hasselbrink</u> Title <u>COUNCIL MEMBER</u>	Name Date <u>8/13/20</u>
Print <u>[Signature]</u> Title <u>Mayor</u>	Name S Date <u>8-13-20</u>
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All Authors must print his/her name **and sign this form** (EC 9600), AND print his/her name **and sign the Argument itself** (EC 9283), AND Print his/her name **and sign the Rebuttal Argument itself** (EC 9285)

Further, pursuant to Election Code § 9282, printed arguments submitted to the voters shall be titled either "Argument In Favor Of Measure ___" or "Argument Against Measure ___".

Likewise, printed rebuttal arguments submitted pursuant to Election Code § 9285 shall be titled either "Rebuttal To Argument In Favor Of Measure ___" or "Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure ___".

Give this form to Council Members and Opponents of Measures

Authorization for Signers of Rebuttal Arguments

The undersigned signer(s) of the Direct Argument in Favor of Measure Y at the General Municipal Election to be held on November 3, 2020, authorize Council Member Dean Grose to sign the Rebuttal Argument in addition to the original signers.

Signed  _____

Date: 8/13/20

Name/Title: Richard Murphy / Mayor

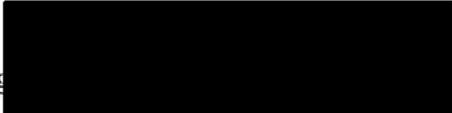
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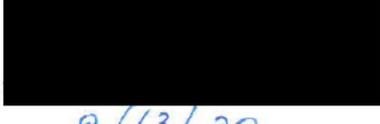
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