

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE - CITY OF BENICIA

Are we tired of Benicia's deteriorating streets and potholes, or are we more tired of giving our tax dollars to the City to be wasted.

The Proponents of Measure R admit that although Benicia spent \$15,000,000 from proceeds from Measure C to repair the roads, because "Measure C was passed to support a variety of City services," the money wasn't enough to fix all the roads.

What do you think will happen if Measure R passes? THIS MEASURE is a "GENERAL FUND TAX." It will go into the General Fund and allows any three members of the City Council to spend it for any purpose.

Sales taxes have climbed from under 4 percent to 8 percent or more. Just like other taxes and fees. They never have enough of your money.

DON'T TRUST politicians who repeatedly provide misinformation, ignore cost saving technologies, waste YOUR money and can't account for it.

This sales tax increase is unnecessary. People are continuing paying higher costs of housing, food, energy, utilities and automobile fuel. And let's not even mention the looming recession. This measure totally disregards our current struggles.

Increasing existing taxes isn't the solution. City officials must do more to cut costs! Stop overspending, and definitely cut back on their waste.

The measure boasts for a so called "independent citizen oversight," but the measure contains no spending guaranties that the oversight committee could enforce.

Vote NO on Measure R. You alone are the best "Oversight" on how your money's spent, not their Appointees.

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