

City of Santa Rosa



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Title:	REPORT - ORDINANCE ADOPTION AND RESOLUTION - APPROVING ON SECOND READING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA AMENDING SECTION 3-27.130 OF THE SANTA ROSA CITY CODE (ADDED AS PART OF MEASURE P ADOPTED BY CITY VOTERS AT THE NOVEMBER 2010 ELECTION) TO EXTEND, FOR EIGHT YEARS, A ¼-CENT GENERAL TRANSACTION AND USE TAX; APPROVING A RESOLUTION ORDERING SUBMISSION OF A BALLOT MEASURE TO SEEK VOTER APPROVAL OF THAT ORDINANCE; PERMITTING THE FILING OF REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS, DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PROVIDE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS; AND PROVIDING DIRECTION REGARDING BALLOT ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE				

BACKGROUND: On July 19, 2016, the City Council provided direction to prepare ballot documents for a no tax-rate increase re-authorization of Measure P and an adjustment to the baseline funding formula of Measure O on the November 8, 2016 ballot to strengthen the City's General Fund and provide locally-controlled funding for services the community has indicated are important. The City Attorney has drafted a proposed ballot measures and ballot summaries as required for each ballot.

On August 2, 2016, the City Council approved on first reading, by a two-thirds vote, an ordinance that would extend Measure P for eight years. If approved on second reading by the Council, the Council may then adopt a resolution to submit the ordinance to the voters for approval at the November 8, 2016 election.

Under state law, the proposed amendment to Measure P to extend the expiration date of the ¼ cent sales tax requires approval by five Councilmembers. If submitted to the voters, it would require approval by a majority of those voting on the measure.

Under the California Elections Code, the resolutions submitting the measure to the voters must be filed with the County Registrar of Voters no later than Friday, August 12, 2016.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the City Manager and the Finance Department that the Council, approve on second reading an ordinance, introduced at the August 2, 2016, Regular Meeting by a 5-2 vote (Council Members Combs and Coursey voting no), to extend for eight years the ¼ cent general sales tax approved by voters as Measure P in November 2010; and by resolution (1) order the submission of a ballot measure to the voters at the November 8, 2016 General Municipal Election to approve that ordinance; (2) provide for the filing of rebuttal arguments on the measure; (3) direct the City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis of the measure; and (4) direct staff to prepare a draft of the ballot argument in support of the proposed ballot measure.

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