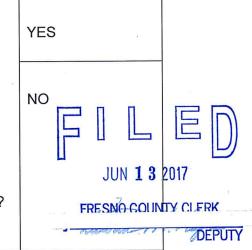
## **MEASURE B**

## ORDINANCE INCREASING THE SALES AND USE TAX FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

To provide additional funding for local law enforcement services, shall the ordinance increasing the City's Sales and Use Tax from .980% to 1.980% which will raise approximately \$500,000 annually be adopted?



## CITY ATTORNEY'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF BALLOT MEASURE B RELATING TO INCREASING THE SALES AND USE TAX FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

On May 23, 2017, the City Council of the City of Mendota (the "City") adopted Resolution 17-34 submitting a ballot measure ("Measure B") to the voters at a special all mail ballot municipal election to be held on August 29, 2017. Measure B provides for the adoption of an ordinance increasing the City's current sales and use tax rate by one percent. The current sales and use tax rate is .980%. If the Measure is approved by the voters, the total sales and use tax rate in the City will increase to 1.980%. This would increase the total sales tax rate paid in the City of Mendota to 8.975%. The proposed increased sales and use tax rate will commence on January 1, 2018, and continue in perpetuity.

The sales and use tax proposed under Measure B is a special tax as opposed to a general tax. As such, it will be strictly used to fund local law enforcement activities. Proceeds of the sales and use tax will be deposited in a special account, created and maintained by the City, and used for the specific purposes identified in the Ordinance.

A "yes" vote is a vote in favor of authorizing the increase of the sales and use tax by one percent. A "no" vote is a vote against authorizing the increased sales and use tax.

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The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure B. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the City Elections Official's Office at (559) 655-3291 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.