

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 051

From: [David Flaa](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Prop A - Read aloud
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 11:14:12 PM

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I am against proposition A and any tax increases on the November ballot. We are already paying too much in taxes and this additional burden especially with the economy reeling from closed businesses is just wrong.

From: [Stephen Maneely](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:33:58 PM

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i have already stated in previous emails. this is wrong. they already added a gas tax and higher registration for fixing the roads. i havent seen one road fixed. all i have seen is some paint on the freeway and some electronic signs in the bay area that didnt need to be replaced. do not add another tax.

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 053

From: [Martin Setta](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:35:29 PM

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I'm disabled and I already cant afford to live in this state without help from my family, We don't have unlimited funds to be over taxed because the government cant manage the money they are already getting. We cant have a tax after tax after tax. Your not going to have anyone left to tax when we all have to leave the state just to live

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 054

From: [Gary Lovegren](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:35:44 PM

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I am a senior citizen who need to keep costs down!

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 055

From: [Brad](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: ABSOLUTELY NO ON THE NEW TAX -- NEWSOM STOLE THE LAST GAS TAX FOR THE GENERAL FUND... THERE IS NO TRUST..
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:36:25 PM

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ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 056

From: [Greg Pay](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:40:11 PM

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Now is not the time to raise our taxes, with so many people out of work.

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ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 057

From: trudymohr@juno.com
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:40:48 PM

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Dear Board and STA:

Please do not put Measure A on the ballot. It hurts everyone, especially the poor, by raising the cost of everything.

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 058

From: [Joanne Pascual](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Cc: [Mahan, Betsy](#)
Subject: Public comment - NO on Measure A
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:44:00 PM

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**Please read this aloud in the Board meeting. **

Many individuals and families are struggling due to loss of employment, repairs from the riots, or just trying to stay healthy in this environment. Now is not the time to cause even more economic burden to the citizens of Sacramento County. We have almost the highest taxes in California in THIS COUNTY! We are already paying taxes for gas and transportation taxes here yet our infrastructure is falling apart and in shambles. Where is all our current tax dollars going? I urge you to please not raise taxes and make it even harder to live here. I have lived here my entire life but I am not willing to stay here where our constituents don't support their people but bury them in fear, crime, and poverty.

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 059

From: [Kenneth Jennings](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:50:12 PM

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80 million to four local banks with the purpose of revitalization, yet the county will not maintain my local roads in Fair Oaks, even though I am a property tax payer among all other taxes. Stop assessing taxes on us and provide upkeep, simple maintenance such as road resurfacing. Pot hole repair is NOT working. Stop giving money to the banks to make money with and provide a service from our tax dollars. No new tax.

Kenneth Jennings
Fair Oaks CA 95628

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 060

From: [Roger Mathews](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:50:47 PM

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A big no!

Sent from my iPad

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 061

From: campbelldavid811@gmail.com
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:57:37 PM

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You politicians are thieves!!! Are you serious with this?? Where is the compassion for the middle class tax payer? Where are our rights? Oh, do we need to act like children, and have a tantrum to get your attention? Or do we loot, and destroy the RTA building? I'm not sure how to proceed anymore in our upside down world? I am wholly against any tax hike period!!! Defund the politicians, take their salaries and use that for the tax hide you are proposing!!

Sent from my iPhone

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 062

From: [Kimberly Lee](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:58:31 PM

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We do not need a higher Tax. We are taxed enough. We have enough going out.

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 063

From: [Russ](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:00:59 PM

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Dear Board Members

Please do not place this measure on November's ballot.

In the last few months I have had a reason to be driving Hwy 50 between Hazel and downtown Sacramento at least 6 times during the "rush" hours.

It has been a pleasant drive with all the reduced vehicles. I have not seen what was once normal backups onto the freeway at Sunrise or Watt Avenue.

I know a number of people who will be working from home full or at least most of the time even after this pandemic is over.

Therefore I believe we don't need this additional tax. But please use the existing tax money to fix our current roads it's what I think most of us want.

Thank you
Russ Warnock

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Paul Romero](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Stop the sales tax
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:01:44 PM

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This is just wrong! Undoubtedly, this is a self-serving measure that doesn't benefit the public but only those that will financially benefit from overhead and processing contracts. Two recent tax increases for transportation have been enacted, one of which never went to the voter because our elitist legislature chose to enact the tax because they had the power to do so. I have yet to see benefit from the tax increases. Projects like the doomed "bullet train" received millions from the gas tax...why?

Stop now! This is not what the people want...more taxes. People are not working and businesses are closing because of the Covid-19 pandemic. And, now STA wants to increase the sales tax. This is just lunacy.

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 065

From: [johnpcorcoran](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:03:30 PM

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Hello,

I am a resident of Folsom California. I respectfully request that the board not place Measure A on the November ballot. Adding new taxes at a time like this is irresponsible and unconscionable. People are already going to be struggling as it is due to the economic downturn caused by the coronavirus and government imposed business shutdowns.

Thanks,

John Corcoran
Folsom, CA

From: [Tanya Morales, Realtor- Remax](#)
To: [Supervisor Serna](#)
Cc: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Stop the Sales Tax Increase
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:03:47 PM

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Dear Mr. Serna,

Please read my remarks at the STA Meeting on July 15th

Stop the Tax Increase. The pandemic has hurt our economy. An \$8.4 billion tax increase will be extremely harmful to families and businesses. An increase to 9.25% would be higher than 88% of other counties nationwide. Sacramento Taxpayers are already paying two other transportation taxes, gas tax, state and federal taxes. Stop this tax increase and save our struggling families and businesses.

Thank You,

Tanya Morales- Realtor
The Morales Team- Remax Gold

Tanya Morales 916-367-8900 DRE # 01506916

Rene Morales 916-220-7508 DRE# 00923039

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From: [Tanya Morales, Realtor- Remax](#)
To: dsuen@elkgrovecity.org; [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Stop the Tax Increase
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:08:40 PM

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Dear Mr. Suen,

Please read my remarks at the STA Meeting on July 15th

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ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 068

From: [Stacie Sherman](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep 2020 Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:08:43 PM

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I have been a Sacramento County resident since 1996. I certainly feel that the roads in Sacramento County are in horrible condition. I supported the 1/2 cent sales tax increase in 2004 but I do not support an additional sales tax increase for roads at this point.

I have reviewed the details of the 2020 Measure A and I don't like that money is being provided for the Southeast Connector which is a billion dollar gift to developers who want to open that land to development. I don't like that overpasses in areas that were developed for new homes like Folsom and Elk Grove are included in 2020 Measure A. These overpasses are also gifts to developers. Developers should have to fund their own new roads and overpasses if they want to build on farm and ranch land.

2020 Measure A also includes a lot of money for public transportation. I like the idea of a useful public transportation system but we already have an existing tax that is supposed to provide funding for the Metrorail extensions.

The reality is that 2020 Measure A looks like it was drafted by a bunch of special interests and really did not consult average county residents who just want the existing roads repaved so there are not pot holes and alligator asphalt everywhere. The average residents don't care about ADA improvements for sidewalks at intersections with the yellow plastic bumps at the intersections. They just want the roads to be smooth again.

I feel like the residents of Sacramento County are being held hostage by special interests who will not allow the existing roads in the county to be repaved until they have gotten the items like the Southeast Connector and overpasses that they on their corporate wish lists. I also feel like there are interests within the county administration that have added public transportation items that they have on their government wish lists.

With that said, I don't support this transportation sales tax proposal being included on the 2020 fall ballot. Go back and draft a proposal that is a ten year tax that is ONLY for repaving the existing roads and I will support that.

Stacie Sherman
Orangevale, CA

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 069

From: [allen.conwell](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:14:10 PM

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No more taxes, definitely the wrong time with everything shut down & unemployment climbing, I have seen Sacramento County waste way too much money in the past for me to support a tax increase.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Ross Wayne](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:17:42 PM

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With all due respect Measure A is just another money grab. Your budget management is irresponsible! Stop the madness and start representing your community with real leadership and keep Measure A off the ballots.

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 071

From: [Tessie Williams](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Sacramento County half percent increase
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:18:19 PM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

I am writing to have my message heard in the meeting tomorrow.

I do not feel our residents can afford any sales tax increase with the pandemic going on with not knowing when it will come to an end. I heard our last tax increase was redirected to something else. I don't what percentage did not go towards road repairs or where it was directed to. There are businesses going out of business, people being laid off, parents having to stay home to do schooling for each child they have. Many may become homeless as our rents and house payments are so high. If they have kids, are they all to live in their cars, shelters and how do they bath? Just really consider if you were in that situation. Kids need new clothes as they have grown since last school year. Grocery prices keep going up. Health Insurance, car insurance, homeowners insurance or renters insurance, electricity, water, gas, gasoline automobile upkeep and I'm sure I did not list all expenses.

No one makes it a priority to help those with Mental Illness, drug addiction and homeless.

There should be a budget for these.

I'm very disappointed that an increase is even being asked.

Please vote NO on an increase.

Thank you.

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: [Bruce Gavin](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:19:20 PM

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Irresponsible politicians fail to learn from history.

Contrary to what is taught in public school, the stock market crash of 1929 did not cause of the Great Depression of the 1930s.

The root cause was the failure of the Federal Reserve to act and provide liquidity to avoid bank runs.

The second cause was enacting the largest peace time tax increase in history, coupled with the Smoot-Hawley Tariff Act.

These actions made American goods unattractive to overseas buyers, and priced out of reach of unemployed Americans.

Today, airlines are laying off literally 50% of their employees.

Small businesses by the tens of thousands are closing their doors.

This means a large segment of the people will stop buying tires, going to movies, and all the other consumer activity that keeps the economy working.

As this economic death spiral increases, mortgages, credit cards and vehicle payments will go into default.

Each wave of business failure affects the next ring of business adjacent to it.

This is the classic economic death spiral.

Please... learn from history and do NOT enact yet another foolish tax increase. Decades of promises that "we will do better" and "not squander revenues" have proven false.

Politicians have demonstrated for decades they will promise anything, just to get their hands on more revenue.

NO on all tax increases.

From: [Tom Ayers](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:25:31 PM

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No on Measure A. Enough is Enough

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 074

From: [Mary Wieg](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:28:35 PM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, do not click links/attachments.

I am opposed to higher taxes. Please keep Measure A off the November ballot.
Mary Wieg.

Sent from my iPhone

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 075

From: [Michael Ryan](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Comments on additional tax.
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 11:08:13 PM

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No additional taxes. Middle of virus and citizens are stressed now. Emotionally and financially.

Tax dollar are not spent wisely. Much of the money goes to unnecessary projects.

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 076

From: [Ed Lecam](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 10:40:27 PM

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We do not need more taxes especially at this time. The money earmarked earlier for this was spent on other unnecessary things. Those programs should be cut and the money used to repair infrastructure.

From: [Larry Fritz](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: No on Measure A
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 10:30:06 PM

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I request that the following comment be read aloud at the STA Board Meeting on July 15, 2020.

Dear Sirs,

I am vehemently opposed to Measure A because it siphons too much money away for public transit, and because there is no accountability for the level of improvement in the roads as a result of this tax increase. There were two prior tax increases and the roads are still in bad shape. Did no one calculate how much money was needed to fix the roads? Is anyone calculating this time? Or, are you mainly looking for more revenue and road repair just happens to be the cause that you feel will resonate with voters to approve your proposed tax increase?

If you are really interested in fixing the roads, find ways to stop transportation money from being diverted for other purposes, and undo some of the burdensome regulations that make road repair so expensive in California. Show me what other measures that you've taken to make better use of existing funds to fix roads and then I would be more willing to consider a tax increase. Propose a tax increase that really focuses 100% of the money on road repair and I would be willing to consider that too.

I really resent the fact that you are too quick to ask for more money to fix a problem, and then you are not really focused on fixing the problem.

Sincerely,

Larry Fritz
6427 Wittenham Way
Orangevale, CA 95662
(916) 802-7241
LFritz@surewest.net

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 078

From: [Larry Fritz](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 10:23:56 PM

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Larry Fritz
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Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

From: [Christine Bish](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Question for the board
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 10:21:16 PM

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With the county supporting antisocial distancing and closing services how do you justify this tax? With more people out of work or working from home commuter traffic may not return for years. How do you justify the tax? A complete audit of the use of tax dollars needs to be conducted by an outside firm before this board should consider any tax increases. It is irresponsible at best to even consider raising taxes on our community during the current economic climate. 32% of all mortgages in this country have not been paid in July. Most restaurants and retailers will not survive this round of shutdowns. Taxing citizens into bankruptcy is irresponsible. I personally counted 3 rides on a multi car train during our rally by the the parking garage. They were out numbered by employees and security. The county like her citizens will have to learn how to make ends meet.
You were elected to manage the county resources, not abuse her citizens.

I want my comments read out load.

Chris Bish
Chris Bish for Congress

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 080

From: [ter](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Tax Increase....
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 10:18:38 PM

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DO NOT WANT ANOTHER TAX INCREASE.... PLEASE DO NOT PUT ON BALLOT.

M BRADY

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 081

From: [Christina Hulick](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Cc: dsuen@elkgrovecity.org; [Nottoli, Don](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 9:50:10 PM

Councilmember Suen and Supervisor Nottoli,

Now is not the time to increase the cost of living for Sacramento County taxpayers.

As Elk Grove and our neighboring community in Folsom grows, I hope you advocate for the resources necessary to make sure infrastructure in EG can keep up with the city's demand. The Connector must be included in future transportation proposals.

I urge you to keep Measure A off the ballot.

Christina Coulson
Elk Grove, 95757

Sent from my iPhone

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 082

From: [chickde6](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: We do not need more taxes in this co. You did use the past two increases correctly.,We have the highest taxes in the U.S. Barbara Drench homeowner.
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 9:49:25 PM

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Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 083

From: [Peter Wittenberg Sr](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 9:45:21 PM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

Do not do this a California is expensive enough. STOP !

-73- Peter K2LRC

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Sent from my iPad

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 084

From: [chickde6](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: There must not be an increase in tax in Sac Co.You have had two increases in 2017 & 2009 and did not use the increase widely
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 9:45:16 PM

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Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 085

From: [Robert Evans](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Measure A
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 9:38:38 PM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am in favor of putting Measure A on the ballot.

Robert Evans
bobe@winfirst.com

760 Estates Drive
Sacramento, CA 95864

916-485-5741

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 086

From: [bats4th](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: RE: Automatic reply: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 9:25:54 PM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

Screw you and decorum. We have been crapped on for 30 years in CA by Democrats. You will not cancel me!

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Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

----- Original message -----

From: Clerk of the Board Public Email <BoardClerk@saccounty.net>
Date: 7/14/20 7:53 PM (GMT-08:00)
To: Alfred Revello <bats4th@aol.com>
Subject: Automatic reply: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot

Thank you for contacting the Clerk's Office.

Your email has been received and it may take up to 24-hours to respond. If you need immediate assistance, please call (916) 874-5451 to speak with a representative between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

PUBLIC COMMENT PROCEDURES

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Florence Evans

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors | 700 H Street, Suite 2450, Sacramento, CA 95814 | P 916-874-5451

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 087

From: [Chuck Cole](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: No on new taxes. You guys lie through your teeth.
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 9:21:34 PM

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Sent from my iPad

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 088

From: buffy123.rp@gmail.com
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: No on measure A
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 9:08:34 PM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, do not click links/attachments.

As a resident of Sacramento County I ask that this comment be read during your STA board meeting tomorrow.

I am opposed to measure A being put on the ballot for many reasons. The residents of Sacramento are over taxed now, especially since the passage on the last gasoline tax that keeps going up each year as the road keep getting worse. I would like your board to present a full accounting of all of the fuel and transportation tax money that has been spent in the last 20 years on roads and transportation in Sacramento County to show how you have managed and spent our money and justify a need for more money. With the economy being depressed right now this is the last thing you should be doing. If this gets placed on the ballot I will actively fight against it and will help to elect new board members to replace any and all who vote to support this measure. Enough is Enough. If all else fails I will plan to leave the County and the State and take my hard earned tax money with me.

Mr. Russell Powell
Sent from my iPhone

From: rw.snow
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 8:59:51 PM

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Board Clerk,

Please ask the Board members not to vote to add additional taxes or increase taxes on the residents of Sacramento County. We pay so much already. Not to mention the poor timing.

Robert Snow

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From: [Cindy & Chris Martin](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 8:51:30 PM

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My husband and I are completely against any new taxes. We have already paid multiple times with the 2017 gas tax, the 2009 half-cent sales tax increase, and the extreme increase in DMV registration fees. It is not our fault that the money already collected has been mismanaged.

Cindy Martin
Folsom, CA

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 091

From: [Ricky Girvin](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Tax increase to department of transportation
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 8:43:17 PM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

I want to vote no on this tax increase. We already pay the highest tax gases in the country. We also voted into initiatives to fix the roads with additional tax money. now is not the time to be asking for more money when too much has already been given. It's pure greedy to even ask right now and a shame they can't do it with the current budget. Shame on those bastards.

Rick Girvin -Cell-916-225-5348

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 092

From: [robiteye22](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 8:38:50 PM

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**NO NEW TAXES UNTIL YOU JUSTIFY MONEY ALREADY COLLECTED WITH
QUANTIFIABLE ACTIONS AND RESULTS.**

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S®6 active, an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone

From: [jbret05](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 8:36:55 PM

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REALLY! I can't even find the words to express my distain for your lack of understanding of how the current covid situation has families turned upside down. Many don't even know how to pay for their next meal and many have totally lost their small business. I guess you all sit there collecting your government paycheck. Paid for by us. There isn't a government agency in this state that has a dime's worth of integrity that spends tax money where they say it will be spent. For us, we'll never vote for another tax increase, regardless of what it's for. Years of public deceit from government agencies have sealed the deal for us. We've voted for too many past tax increases that weren't spent like they were promised. Submitted by a fed-up tax payee.

James Bradley

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 094

From: [Oitzumissy.H](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: No on measure A
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 8:30:03 PM

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We do not need yet another tax. We are taxed to the gills and this measure is a horrible idea especially in the middle of financial hardship during this COVID crisis. I have lost faith that the government can use our money wisely. The evidence is that we already have taxes that are supposed to fix the roads and look at the state they are in. It is an absolute disgrace. I guess it's super easy for politicians to use up other people's money. Give us all a break! Use the money we have already given to you more effectively. No more taxes.

From: arthur.ringwalt@mail.com
To: Clerk of the Board Public Email: arthur.ringwalt@mail.com
Cc: BruceLee.STA@gmail.com
Subject: Sac County Residents Against Measure A
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 8:26:39 PM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

Dear Sir or Ma'am:

I reside at 600 I Street, Apt. 608 in Sacramento, diagonally across the street from the county building.

Regarding Measure A, please register these talking points before tomorrow's meeting at 1:30 pm.

- Small businesses are dying in this economic melt-down
- Families cannot afford to increase their cost of living
- This plan rejects some of the most beneficial parts of taxpayer spending, such as the Southeast Connector
- Unemployment is growing ... it's over 14.7% ... 148,100 unemployed now
- A 9.25% sales tax is way too high! Higher than 88% of all other counties nationwide.
- We already pay two other transportation taxes
- The tax is regressive and hurts children, the elderly, and single-parent homes.
- Only 30% of the tax goes to fix our roads, which is what we want
- Residents are trying to survive during this economic melt-down and pandemic
- This will make our economy worse and extend our economic recovery
- This tax increase will make business less competitive with surrounding counties
- My children and grandchildren will be paying this 40-year tax for

decades!

- Everybody hates this tax!
- It would cost taxpayers over \$1,000,000 to just put this on the ballot!

We want no more new taxes. We already have too many taxes! Enough is enough! We already have the 2017 gas tax and 2009 half-cent sales tax increase.

Please read the above comment out loud at the Wednesday, July 15 meeting at 1:30 pm.

Thank you!

Arthur Ringwalt

(916) 925-5988

'Tu ne cede malis, sed contra audentior ito.'

"Do not give into evil, but proceed ever more boldly against it"

Ludwig von Mises

From: [Ruth Takemoto](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: MESSAGE FOR DARREN SUEN, CHAIR OF THE SACRAMENTO TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 8:20:48 PM

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RE: STA MEETING

July 15, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

Agenda Item 3

It has come to my attention that there is a pending proposal to increase the sales tax in Sacramento County to 9.25%.

Are you proud to Chair the Sacramento Transportation Authority which would vote to impose upon consumers in Sacramento County such an increase, knowing that Sacramento County, and also the State of California is already the highest taxed state in the nation?

The 2020 pandemic has ruined the area economy with all the mandates closing down businesses, thus increasing unemployment, measures that have been more harmful to consumers than even the virus itself.

You should not waste the time, effort, and the cost of trying to put such a tax increase proposal on the 2020 ballot because WE ARE TAXED MORE THAN ENOUGH ALREADY, and the ballot measure is destined to be defeated.

Please put this tax increase proposal in the paper shredder, or a powerful incinerator. NOW IS NOT THE TIME TO INCREASE THE BURDENS OF STRUGGLING CALIFORNIANS LIVING IN SACRAMENTO COUNTY NOT KNOWING WHAT TOMORROW'S MANDATES ARE GOING TO BRING RELATIVE TO THEIR

**BUSINESSES, JOBS, OR OTHER SOURCES OF FAMILY
LIVELIHOODS.**

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Ruth Takemoto
Sacramento County Resident

From: [Ruth Takemoto](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: MESSAGE FOR SUPERVISOR PHIL SERNA, CHAIR, SAC TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 8:13:07 PM

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RE: STA MEETING
July 15, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.
Agenda Item 3

It has come to my attention that there is a pending proposal to increase the sales tax in Sacramento County to 9.25%.

Are you proud to Chair the County Supervisors who would impose upon constituents in your area of leadership such an increase, knowing that Sacramento County, and also the State of California is already the highest taxed state in the nation?

The 2020 pandemic has ruined the area economy with all the mandates closing down businesses, thus increasing unemployment, measures that have been more harmful to consumers than even the virus itself.

You should not waste the time, effort, and the cost of trying to put such a tax increase proposal on the 2020 ballot because WE ARE TAXED MORE THAN ENOUGH ALREADY, and the ballot measure is destined to be defeated.

Please put this tax increase proposal in the paper shredder, or a powerful incinerator. NOW IS NOT THE TIME TO INCREASE THE BURDENS OF STRUGGLING CALIFORNIANS LIVING IN SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Ruth Takemoto
Sacramento County Resident

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 098

From: [Marty Pruett](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 8:12:49 PM

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NO ON MEASURE A

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 099

From: shorter.karen@gmail.com
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Repeal measure A
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:56:40 PM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

Read this publicly! Do not move forward with measure A! It's despicable that you are pushing this agenda during a pandemic! Shame on you!

It's a bad idea because:

- **Small businesses are dying in this economic melt-down**
- **Families cannot afford to increase their cost of living**
- **This plan rejects some of the most beneficial parts of taxpayer spending, such as the Southeast Connector**
- **Unemployment is growing ... it's over 14.7% ... 148,100 unemployed now**
- **A 9.25% sales tax is way too high! Higher than 88% of all other counties nationwide.**
- **We already pay two other transportation taxes**
- **The tax is regressive and hurts children, the elderly, and single-parent homes.**
- **Only 30% of the tax goes to fix our roads, which is what we want**
- **Residents are trying to survive during this economic melt-down and pandemic**
- **This will make our economy worse and extend our economic recovery**
- **This tax increase will make business less competitive with surrounding counties**
- **My children and grandchildren will be paying this 40-year tax for decades!**
- **Everybody hates this tax!**
- **It would cost taxpayers over \$1,000,000 to just put this on the ballot!**

Be responsible and stop this measure!

Karen Shorter

Sent from my iPhone

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 100

From: [Alfred Revello](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:53:53 PM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

If you accomplish what you do with the monies you already have, you can't accomplish at all. JUST LIKE THE REST OF US GOOD HONEST TAX PAYING CITIZENS. ALSO JUST WHAT GROUPS WILL USE THESE SO CALLED IMPROVEMENTS MOST? JUST WHO ARE YOU SUCKING UP TO? TRAITORS!

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 101

From: [Jeff](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:52:03 PM

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No more taxes!!!

Sent from my iPhone

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 102

From: april@ansbconsulting.com
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Measure A
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:49:19 PM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

Please read this comment aloud during the meeting on 7/15.

As a fifteen year resident of Orangevale, I am vehemently opposed to the Measure A tax increase. Our taxes are high enough. The transportation department receives plenty of money and needs to do a better job prioritizing expenditures. Pensions are unacceptable. County employees should have what the rest of us have, a 401k and paying our own medical. As well, roads in the wealthier parts of Sacramento County are repaved on a regular basis. Meanwhile the outlying parts of the county are ignored and neglected.

April Nordstrom
Nordstrom Small Business Consulting
April@ANSBConsulting.com
916-591-5237

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 103

From: [Eric Rigard](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November BallotNMore Taxes! Enough is Enough.
Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 7:39:05 PM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, do not click links/attachments.

No Mire Taxes! Enough is Enough. Please KeepMeSure A off the Ballot.

Eric Rigard
Sent from my iPhone

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 104

From: [Kelly Dentino](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: C/O Phil Serna, Chair of the Board
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 7:19:26 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

Phil,

I am requesting my message be read aloud at the meeting today. I want this proposed sales tax increase to be stopped TODAY.

- The pandemic has ruined the economy making an \$8.4 billion tax increase even more harmful to consumers and businesses.
- A sales tax increase to 9.25% would be higher than 88% of other counties nationwide.
- Sacramento taxpayers are already paying two other transportation taxes, gas tax, state and federal taxes - enough!
- Do not waste \$1 million taxpayer dollars to place this measure on the ballot when it is expected to lose!

Thanks,

Kelly Rawlinson

Hard working, tax paying Resident of California all my life
Sac County

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 105

From: [LJ Laurent](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Cc: [Sue Frost](#)
Subject: Measure A, keep it OFF the Ballot
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 8:28:54 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

Board Members,

Sacramento Transportation Authority is trying to move forward with an **\$8.4 billion tax hike on Sacramento families and businesses in the midst of a global pandemic and national protests.**

This is an extremely poor idea. It is time to re-evaluate public transportation because health always beats every other reason for actions such as this. People will be working & being educated from home, so it is unwise to continue taxing for Sac transit during a time of Transition away from it!!!

LJ Laurent, Sacramento County resident

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 106

From: [Rod Sullivan](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Measure A
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 8:17:16 AM

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Hello and good day,

I would like to voice my strong opposition to any tax increase on anything including measure "A". As a resident and small business owner we are dying the death of a thousand cuts in this state. What we need is better management of the money already available.

thank you,

Roderic Sullivan

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 107

From: [Jenifer Stewart](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: No new taxes
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 4:38:05 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, do not click links/attachments.

This is NOT the time for more taxes. Do NOT pass a tax without voter approval. The city and state need to learn how to manage its resources. I see massive waste and mismanagement. NO NEW TAXES. This is NOT the time for more taxes!

Sincerely,
Jenifer Stewart
916-690-7775
9304 Katelynn Ct
Elk Grove, CA 95758

Sent from my iPhone

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 108

From: [John Schuff](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: NO on Measure A
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 6:35:13 AM

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NO on measure A.

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 109

From: [Scott German, CPA](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: OPPOSE MEASURE A
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 5:34:53 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

Good day,

As a registered voter in the County of Sacramento, I am tired of the local governments telling me that they will use the money they take from me for my benefit and then not do it. The Measure A taxes previously approved were to improve roads, I drive Watt Ave EVERY day and I assure you that the trip get more and more interesting as I have to swerve to avoid the pot holes, bumps, undulations from wear and other dangers to my tires.

No matter how many assurances I receive that this money will be used for roads, the Boards previous action prove they can't be trusted.

No new tax.

Scott German, CPA
3142 Greycrest Ct, Suite 301
Antelope, California 95843-4712

Cell: (916) 709-4755

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 110

From: [Pam Brown](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 7:20:06 AM

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No on Measure A on Nov. 2020 ballot.

Families can't afford any more tax.increases. We have so many people unemployed, food costs have risen, people our being evicted from their homes, our children and grandchildren will be paying on higher taxes for generations,

This is what causes wage inequality from lowering the middle class to no middle class from politicians who are so removed with their own power and greed.

Sincerely,
Pam Brown

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 111

From: [Tom's Email](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 7:00:51 AM

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Tom Williams

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 112

From: [Dennis Johannes](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 6:53:05 AM

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To whom it may concern,

I am against adding another sales tax. The economy is already being hurt by shut downs and other effects of the Corona Virus. Adding an increase to our cost of just getting by would be the wrong thing to do.

Thank you.

Sent from my iPad

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 113

From: [Tom's Email](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 6:15:41 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, do not click links/attachments.

We do not support measure A.

Thomas V. Williams Jr and Marina C. Williams

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 114

From: [Deb](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 5:57:21 AM

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We Sac County residents are tired of more taxes! I am a single senior on a limited budget. Measure A is frightening for me even to think about - having to pay more for my necessities, my property taxes. I'm already paying for the Gas Tax and increase in sales tax! PLEASE don't add Measure A to the November ballot.

I fear that in the next couple of years I will have to move out of California, where I was born, as it is getting too expensive and it seems we are declining as a state. Our governor seems not to know how to run the state: overspending, and always needing our 'tax dollars'.

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 115

From: [liztex1959](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 8:14:39 AM

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As a native Californian I have seen this state go from bad to worse over the last 60 years. We as citizens are taxed gouged and rarely see any benefit to our sacrifice. I implore you to vote NO on measure A.

It is with unbelievable heartlessness that this would come forward during times of crises! What improvements has been accomplished with the tax money given for previous Bill's that passed? I don't see any.

Regards,
Liz Texeira
Citrus heights ca.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 116

From: [Heather Gibson](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Public Comment
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 8:01:46 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

Please read my comment aloud at the meeting today, July 15th regarding Measure A:

I oppose the half cent tax increase Sacramento County is proposing. I oppose this tax increase because 40% of the funds will go to fix public transportation. We need our roads fixed not the public transportation. We need the roads fixed with the money Sacramento County already has. We already have two transportation taxes.

We don't need any more taxes. We do not want to pay 9.25% sales tax. Our taxes are so high. We are in the middle of a crisis right now where families are strapped for money. There are families that have lost employment and they can not afford to have to pay more taxes let alone 1 million dollars to get this measure out in the ballot.

Please do the right thing for our families and our communities. Repeal Measure A. If you put it on the ballot, all the taxpayers will vote no on it anyway.

Thank you,
Heather Gibson

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 117

From: [joyce heiler](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Sales Tax Increase
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 6:07:28 AM

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Please read this comment aloud at the July 15 meeting:

9.25 percent sales tax is prohibitive to my family living in Sacramento County.

Only 30 percent of this tax is promised to fix roads, and this promise might not even be honored!

Do not put the burden of this outrageous tax on the shoulders of my children and grandchildren!

J Heiler
Folsom, CA

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 118

From: [retirepartly](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Tax bill---NO NO NO. Tired of being lied to about taxes being collected for specific programs or projects and then politicians moving the money into the general funds and used for "porkbarrel" deals.
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 7:25:54 AM

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Terrence N. Scheffler
Antelope, 95943-2220

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy , an AT&T LTE smartphone

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 119

From: [Lanette Benjamin](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Transportation tax
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 8:02:36 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, do not click links/attachments.

We the people of California have had enough, quit over spending. We are barely surviving with this pandemic and now you want to hit us with more taxes. Our economy is in the toliet, wake up we may not make it out of this mess.
Lanette Benjamin

Sent from my iPad

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 120

From: [Mike Rutledge](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Tax increase
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 8:55:28 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

No, we can't take another tax increase! The pandemic has stressed Sacramento area families enough.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone
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ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 121

From: [Mike Rutledge](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 8:57:22 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

Please, not another tax increase. The pandemic has inflicted enough pain, don't pour salt in the wound!

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone
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ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 122

From: [Judy](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT RE: Sales Tax Increase on July 15th Meeting?
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 9:19:49 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, do not click links/attachments.

I cannot locate your agenda. I don't know the date or time of your meeting so please give my following comment to the Board when appropriate. Thank you.

I am against any tax increases. Please formally repeal the measure. Am I the only one who thinks a tax increase during a global pandemic is short-sighted? People are struggling to survive and you want to increase their taxes? No more taxes. Take the time for a better budget.

I could not locate an item number since I could not find your agenda on the web page. Please make your web page user friendly.

From: Judy D. Jennings
916.987.9978
Item # (???)

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 123

From: [Carter Nott](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 9:24:46 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, do not click links/attachments.

I urge each Director to listen to the public and repeal Measure A! Now is not the time! There is glaring opposition to the plan and uncertainty from COVID-19 and the political unrest happening across California. Please wait until a later date to adopt Measure A!

Thank you for your leadership,
Carter Nott
Sacramento 95819

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 124

From: [bob lynn](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Tax increase.
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 9:32:30 AM

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I am opposed for the following reasons..1)We people on fixed incomes,never see income increases to offset never ending taxes. 2)California has some of the highest taxes in the nation.3)We the people vote down these proposed increases time and time again,but here we go again.4)Government should stop playing Robinhood,and taking from the working class and giving to the poor!5)This will only make the recovery that much harder.

From: [Julisa Platte](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Public Comment 7-15
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 9:37:31 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

I am writing in opposition to Measure A, and request that my letter be read aloud at the July 15, 2020 board meeting.

Dear Board Members,
I am writing to plead with you to oppose Measure A.

As a Sacramento county resident, a portion of the sales tax I pay is already allocated to transportation, in addition I pay extra for gas in Sacramento County because of a separate tax to support transportation needs in my county. Measure A would increase taxes, again for transportation needs. With continually higher sales tax, I will have no time to be concerned with how my tax dollars are going to make my commute or community better, I will need to concern myself with how my families needs will be met on a daily basis.

With sales tax raised to an alarming 9.25%, Sacramento County businesses will be forced to charge more for the clothes, shoes, cleaning supplies, and school supplies that my children use. This means it will be cheaper for my family, and every family, to shop in any of the surrounding counties. I firmly believe in supporting local business, especially at a time when our communities are struggling to keep doors open or reopen because of the unprecedented closure of COVID-19. Sadly, this is also a time when every dollar counts for my family, like many others, we will have to make difficult choices to survive financially. Patrons leaving Sacramento for better prices will hurt Sacramento businesses.

Sacramento has many needs that could be better served with the 1 million tax payer dollars it will cost to place this detrimental and unwarranted measure on the ballot. Please don't hurt the families and businesses of Sacramento. Please oppose Measure A.

Sincerely,
Julisa Platte

From: [Steve Hullibarger](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: NO "MEASURE A" BALLOT PROPOSITION
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 9:40:04 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

Our statement to the Sacramento Transportation Authority and the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors is to NOT place the Measure A tax increase on the November ballot.

This is a terrible time to be adding taxes onto the people of the county. Do not waste more money by placing this sure-to-fail measure on the ballot.

Steve & Gail Hullibarger
3920 Ridge Street
Fair Oaks, CA 95628

*Before buying or ordering, check it carefully. If it says, "Made in **China** ," keep moving!*

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 127

From: [Stefon DuBose](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: No Against Measure A - Public Comment
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 9:42:17 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

Good Morning Sacramento Transportation Authority Board,

I would like to request my **no** vote on Measure A be read for public comment during today's hearing.

- "Greetings my name is Stefon DuBose. I'm calling in opposition of Measure A because businesses are dying in this economic melt-down. Unemployment is growing ... it's over 14.7% ... 148,100 unemployed now. A 9.25% sales tax is way too high! Higher than 88% of all other counties nationwide. The tax is regressive and hurts children, the elderly, and single-parent homes. Residents are trying to survive during this economic melt-down and pandemic. This will make our economy worse and extend our economic recovery. My children and grandchildren will be paying this 40-year tax for decades! I vote no on Measure A. Thank you for your time and have a great day."

Stefon DuBose
Board Member
CA State NAN Ed Fund

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 128

From: [raelene hutchings](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Measure A I have a few comments for our country representatives. During the pandemic there have been loss of income for many of you constituents. What are you thinking? People need to recoup losses don't kick'em when their down. I have another comment ...
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 9:58:36 AM

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Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From: [DoLee Spurgeon](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Measure A tax increase
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:10:03 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

I request that my comment be read aloud at the meeting this afternoon.

I am absolutely against another tax increase for home owners. It is time for the government to monitor their spending more closely and stop relying on homeowners to pay up to get them out of the hole. You keep raising taxes and promising us improvements, then use loopholes to use the funds for something else. I am a senior citizen trying to get by on half the income that used to be available before my husbands passing. Stop giving money away to illegal immigrants and start supporting the tax payers.

DoLee Spurgeon
4301 Don River Lane
Sacramento, CA 95834

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 130

From: [Munoz, Alma](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: FW: SMART/SacMoves" letter regarding STA July 14, 2020 Agenda Item 3 re: Ordinance No. STA 20-001
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:13:49 AM
Attachments: [SMART-SacMovesltr119.pdf](#)

For the record.

From: Will Kempton <will@sacta.org>
Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:13 AM
To: Munoz, Alma <MunozAl@saccounty.net>
Subject: FW: SMART/SacMoves' letter regarding STA July 14, 2020 Agenda Item 3 re: Ordinance No. STA 20-001

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Here you go.

From: Steve Cohn <stevecohnsacramento@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 6:33 PM
To: Darren Suen <dgsuen@gmail.com>; Mayor Darrell Steinberg <mayordarrellsteinberg@gmail.com>; Jay Schenirer <JSchenirer@cityofsacramento.org>; Patrick Hume <phume@elkgrovecity.org>; Don Nottoli <nottolid@saccounty.net>; Patrick Dennis Kennedy <SupervisorKennedy@saccounty.net>; Susan Peters <susanpeters@saccounty.net>; Larry Carr <lcarr@cityofsacramento.org>; Steve Miller <smiller@citrusheights.net>; Steve Hansen <shansen@cityofsacramento.org>; Phil Serna <SupervisorSerna@saccounty.net>; Eric Z. Guerra <eguerra@cityofsacramento.org>; Jeff Harris <jsharris@cityofsacramento.org>; Nick Avdis <navdis@thomaslawgroup.com>; Kerri Howell <corrprincess@ardennet.com>; Sue Frost <SupervisorFrost@saccounty.net>; Garrett Gatewood <ggatewood@cityofranchocordova.org>; Rich Lozano <rlozano@ci.galt.ca.us>
Cc: Will Kempton <will@sacta.org>; Rene McClain <mcclainr@saccounty.net>; Kristin Riggs <riggsk@saccounty.net>; Roger Dickinson <dickinson31@comcast.net>
Subject: SMART/SacMoves' letter regarding STA July 14, 2020 Agenda Item 3 re: Ordinance No. STA 20-001

Chair Suen and Members of the STA Board,
Attached is a PDF version of SMART/SacMoves letter on Agenda Item 3. Thank you for your consideration of our comments during these trying times.

Steve Cohn
SMART/SacMoves



July 14, 2020

Chair Suen and Members of the Sacramento Transportation Authority (STA) Board,

Re: July 15, 2020 Board Agenda Item 3: Consideration of Repeal of Ordinance No. STA 20-001 and Withdrawal of Request to the Board of Supervisors to Place the Measure on the November Ballot

As you know, members of the Sacramento Metro Advocates for Rail and Transit (SMART) and SacMoves coalition have been longstanding participants in the process to develop an ordinance and expenditure plan to put before Sacramento County voters this coming November. While we have had our reservations regarding the ordinance and plan that were ultimately adopted, we believe the STA process was significantly better this time than that used in 2018 when the previous Measure B was developed.

Now, however, with the extraordinary circumstances in which we find our community due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we recognize the necessity to re-evaluate whether to put the current measure on the ballot this year. The recently completed polling shows that while a majority of voters support an additional half-cent sales tax measure, that support does not rise to the two-thirds majority required by law for successful passage.

Regardless of your decision on this year's ballot measure, we assure you that our coalition will continue its commitment to advocate for the financial resources, plans and policies that will contribute to building a community that provides mobility choices for all, a healthy environment, a strong economy, equity, and sustainable neighborhoods. As we look to the future, we believe we can and must do much better to achieve these goals. We look forward to working with you in this endeavor.

On behalf of the entire SMART/SacMoves coalition, we thank you for your consideration of these comments during these trying times.

Yours truly,


Roger Dickinson and Steve Cohn

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 131

From: [Mike Giles](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Comment: STA Meeting Today Regarding Measure A
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:21:51 AM

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To STA Board Members,

I just want you to know that I'm Fiercely Against your attempt to raise our Sacramento County sales tax (to one of the highest county sales taxes in the nation)!

You all keep being paid, while your friends in California government have helped to Destroy Our Economy, up and down the State of California! I've seen out-of-work waitresses going through garbage cans, . . . for recyclables, or, . . . whatever!!!!

While we are being destroyed out here by California's "buildings full of bureaucrats", you all just keep getting paid full salaries just like Nothing is happening to your fellow citizens out here!!!!

I've heard, "Enough is Enough", to describe your ever-evident desire to Take More of Or Tax Money! Super bad timing!!

We are already paying multiple 'transportation taxes' on our roadways, (most all of which is Stolen by well-dressed criminals inside our State House)!!

Virtually No One uses your dirty buses, and, whenever we can see through your "rail-transit" train windows, we see that they are clearly, mostly empty!!!! There is a Reason why they paint over so many of their windows!!

No More Taxes!!!! Try going for two days without food, like I have, and, like many of us have done out here!!!!

Most Sincerely

M. Giles

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 132

From: [Whitney Harris](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: I Oppose Measure A
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:55:07 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, **do not** click links/attachments.

I request that my comment be read aloud at the STA Board meeting on 7/15

To All Whom It May Concern,

I oppose Measure A and request that it be taken off the November 2020 ballot. I am tired of more taxes and find it very irresponsible and cruel to impose another tax on Sac County residents during a pandemic and recession. Families cannot afford the increase in cost of living. If this passes, we will be strongly looking into moving out of the state of California. So many of our friends and neighbors have already moved because of the high cost of living. We already pay two other transportation taxes and a 9.25% sales tax is way too high. This will make our economy worse and extend our economic recovery. Families are just trying to survive during this economic meltdown and pandemic. I plead with you to take this off of the November 2020 ballot.

Thank you,

Whitney H., Sac County resident

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 133

From: [Dudley Owens](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Meas A
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 11:34:31 AM

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Stop with the tax robbery!!!!

Chance Favors The Prepared Mind!

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 134

From: [Janet Gouge](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Cc: [Janet Gouge](#)
Subject: Measure A Proposal
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 12:07:12 PM

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We are opposed to the measure as there is no accounting of previous transportation projects over the past 25 years. Also, there are no details provided as to what projects would receive future funding. Vague language such as project supporting projected development is insufficient to support any measure.

Jack Gouge

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 135

From: [M.L](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Measure A
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:31:24 AM

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Defund Sacramento Transportation Authority!

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 136

From: [Mike Giles](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: My Comment to The STA Board Members Regarding Their Measure "A" New Sac County Sales Tax Increase
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:47:53 AM

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To STA Board Members,

(Please read my comment Out Loud) Sorry, (I forgot to make this request when I originally sent you my comment)!

"I just want you to know that I Am Fiercely Against your attempt to raise our Sacramento County sales tax (to one of the highest county sales taxes in the nation)!

"You all keep being paid, while your friends in California government have helped to Destroy Our Economy, up and down the State of California! I've seen out-of-work waitresses going through garbage cans, . . for recyclables, or, . . . whatever!!!!

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Most Sincerely

M. Giles

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 137

From: [Oksana Fursov](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: No more taxes!
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 11:32:27 AM

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Please count my voice in opposition to the county tax increase. You may read this comment aloud at the meeting. This is a horrible time to increase taxes and we are already ridiculously over-taxed.

Oksana Fursov
Sent from my iPhone

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 138

From: [PAM O'BRIEN](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: No New Taxes
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 11:02:37 AM

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This is not the time for a new tax.

Every day the news highlights **homeowners** who, having lost income from the virus, face a number of struggles. How do I feed my family? How do I pay my mortgage? Am I facing bankruptcy? My health insurance has lapsed; what if one of us gets sick? Can I afford to buy prescription drugs? How do I pay my property taxes and utility bills? What if my car needs a repair? What about home owners insurance premiums? I have a child who has outgrown his/her clothes. The last thing they need is a new tax.

The **State of California** faces its own woes. The virus has cleaned out reserves. How will the state pay its bills? This is not the time to take on new projects that are to be funded with a new tax. It is time to tighten our belts.

Good times will return but, despite whatever the orange man in the White House says, not any time soon.. When that happens, it will be the time to consider a new tax for much needed improvements. And who knows maybe Congress will pass a long-promised infrastructure bill that will help fund some of California's transportation problems and hire some of its workers who have lost their jobs.

Pamela O'Brien
2004 Promontory Point Lane
Gold River, CA 95670

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 139

From: [Nelly Tiukaenko](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: NO on Measure A !!!
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 11:20:36 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, do not click links/attachments.

Dear Sacramento transportation Authority ,

I am writing to you as a very concerned resident of Sacramento county . I am strongly urging you to stop measure A !!!

With all of the recent unemployment increases to over 14.7 % , Sacramento residents cannot possibility afford more tax increases!! We already pay two transportation taxes !

Only 30% of this measure will actually go to fixing roads , where does the rest of the money go ?! Sacramento residents hate this measure !

Please think of our future generations, our children and grandchildren will be paying for this for decades to come ! We cannot place this burden on their shoulders .

I'm kindly requesting/asking that you please read my comments aloud during the meeting. Thank you very much .

Sincerely,
Nelya Tiukaenko

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 140

From: [Karen Netherton](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: No on Measure A
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 12:34:28 PM

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Dear Supervisor Phil Serna ,

Please do not place Measure A on the November Ballot.
People in the community are struggling already.

A sales tax increase to 9.25% would be higher than 88% of other counties nationwide.

I am sure we can find ways to be more effective with the taxes that are already collected.

Do not waste \$1 million taxpayer dollars to place this measure on the ballot when it is expected to lose!

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Karen Netherton
resident of Sacramento County

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 141

From: [Mary McLaughlin](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: No on Measure A
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 11:33:01 AM

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mom974@gmail.com

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 142

From: [Karen Netherton](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: No on Measure A
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 12:37:05 PM

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Dear Darren Suen, Chair of the STA

Please do not place Measure A on the November Ballot.
People in the community are struggling already.

A sales tax increase to 9.25% would be higher than 88% of other counties nationwide.

I am sure we can find ways to be more effective with the taxes that are already collected.
Do not waste \$1 million taxpayer dollars to place this measure on the ballot when it is expected to lose!

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Karen Netherton
resident of Sacramento County

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 143

From: [Laurene Chiesa](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 11:52:29 AM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, do not click links/attachments.

Please do not pursue this new tax at this time. Taxes are already in place for transportation issues. Too many shuttered businesses and unemployed people out there, to add yet another new/additional tax burden on them.

Tax monies currently collected need to be spent more judiciously or certainly more sparingly in these hard times.

Thank you for your consideration,
Laurene Chiesa

Sent from my iPhone

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 144

From: [J Ludwig](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 11:43:56 AM

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Hello Board;

I hereby request that my comment be read aloud for the record (address and email can be omitted).

As a registered voter and home owner in Sacramento County, I ask that you deny/decline/vote no on any tax increase for Sacramento County.

In this time of financial distress/pandemic, the residents do not need to be further taxed for road repairs that have been far and few. The road conditions have been bad and in poor condition for a number of years (I have lived here 20+ years) and were supposedly to be remedied in earlier/previous tax increases.

Again, vote no/deny/decline any and all tax increases for Sacramento County and the Sacramento Transportation Authority.

Repeal the measure, remove the measure from the upcoming November ballot.

The increased tax will have the following impacts:

- 1- an increased tax or 9.25% sales tax is too high. It is higher than 88% of other counties nationwide.
- 2- We are already paying two (2) other transportation taxes - a sales tax and a gas tax.
- 3- Families, individuals and businesses will be affected by this increased tax that is too burdensome during this economic and pandemic crisis.

Thank you, in advance.

FJ Ludwig

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 145

From: [Michael Golden](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:32:50 AM

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To Whom It May Concern,

No to any additional taxation! We, the people, are tired of the mismanagement of our tax dollars. Local, state, & federal budgets should be balanced with current funding.

Sincerely,

Michael Golden
Sent from my iPhone

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 146

From: [Marjorie Carlson](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:27:18 AM

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This is the absolute worst time to add more taxes on already over taxed citizens. NO NO NO on Measure A.

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 147

From: [Donna Farris](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Please Keep Measure A Off the November Ballot
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 12:34:57 PM

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To Whom it May Concern:

Now is not the time to place additional tax burdens upon the people of Sacramento County. These are extremely difficult, unprecedented times of financial difficulties and uncertainties. Families and businesses are already struggling to survive during this economic melt-down and pandemic, with historical unemployment, uncertain financial prospects, civil unrest, and severe disruptions to every-day life. Small businesses are dying and families simply cannot afford increased cost-of-living expenses. And with the governor's determination to see Prop 15 pass in November, if passed, life could become even more difficult for our people.

I urge you to NOT place Measure A on the November ballot. It's passage would place an even more egregious tax burden on families and businesses already stretched to the limit.

I ask you to read my comments before the board during the 1:00 meeting today. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Donna Farris
4007 N. Freeway Blvd.
Sacramento, CA 95834

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 148

From: [S Willett](#)
To: "S Willett"; [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Cc: [Baatar, Bilegt](#)
Subject: RE: comment on increasing Church of God's multipurpose room - PLNP 2019-00359
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:31:15 AM

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To whom it may concern:

I've been talking with my neighbors. They asked me to send another email with their concerns. They are concerned that this addition will allow for commercial activities in our residential neighborhood. Both Grant Ave and Marshall Ave dead end. Having commercial activities will cause auto traffic that normally are not in the neighborhood (other than on Saturdays when service is held).

Questions:

Will both the church building and the proposed multipurpose room be allowed to have 102 in each building at the same time? This will be 204 people for 34 parking spaces.

Will the church be limited to only receptions and funeral wakes? Or will they be allowed to have completely commercial activities such as bingo?

Will the church be required to tell attendees that they can not park anywhere except in designated parking or along their sidewalk? How will this be regulated?

Thank you,

Susan

From: S Willett [mailto:tarnberry@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 08, 2020 11:49 AM
To: 'BoardClerk@saccounty.net'
Cc: 'baatarb@saccounty.net'
Subject: comment on increasing Church of God's multipurpose room - PLNP 2019-00359

To whom it may concern:

I spoke with Bilegt Baatar regarding the church's request to increase their multipurpose room with an additional 1,100 sq feet. He suggested that I write to you.

I live next door to the church. I purchased my land in 1984 and finished building my house in 1990. The original farm house burned in the late 1950s. I was told that the owner of the house (that burned) did not like driving to church, so he gave the church the property next door to his home so he could walk to church. Over the years that I have owned the property there has been three different churches that have used the property. The longest time of use was the first church. This church was the original church from 1950. With the first church, the pastor (and his family) lived in the house on the property. The second did not have the pastor live on the property. The third church also does not have anyone living in the house. The current church purchased the property in 2014.

I mentioned to Bilegt my concerns over parking and fire danger. When there is a funeral or wedding there is not enough parking. Consequently, cars park on Grant Ave and Marshall Ave. Grant and Marshall narrow after the sidewalk ends. The sidewalk is along the church property. Both streets do not have a line down the center because there is not enough room for 2 cars to pass. For Grant, there are ditches and lawns on the sides of the asphalt. When cars park on both sides, larger cars can not drive down the street. Additionally, fire trucks can not go down the street. Lastly, on Grant where there is lawn, cars try to pull off the asphalt and then partially park on people's lawns.

Over the years when a funeral happens, we know it won't be for very long with cars everywhere. This is because the wake after the funeral has to be held somewhere else. Similar with weddings, the reception has to be held somewhere else, so we know all the cars won't be blocking everything for too long. If the multipurpose room is expanded then the wake and reception will occur on the property and I'll end up calling the Sheriff to have the cars moved.

Because of the previous problems we have had with cars and fire trucks not being able to go down the street, I'm against increasing the size of the multipurpose room.

Sincerely,

Susan Willett
6629 Grant Ave

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 149

From: [Kay Lynn](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Rising Taxes
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 11:11:47 AM

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I would like my comment to be read.

A new sales tax will be a burden on families and seniors - many of whom are struggling with rising costs on the basic necessities such as food, clothing, medicines, utilities, gasoline, rents and house payments. California taxes are already too high and if the state needs more money it should look to reducing fraud, not taking raises for elected officials and going through each department to find and implement cost cutting measures. To many times voters have voted funds for bonds and tax increases only to not have the monies go to the intended projects. Enough is enough. Especially now with this Pandemic. Kay Lynn 15349 Murieta South Parkway, Rancho Murieta, Ca.

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 150

From: [Dan Allison](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: SacTA comment agenda 3
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 12:33:52 PM

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Agenda item 3: I support the repeal and withdrawal.

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Dan Allison

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LinkedIn: <http://www.linkedin.com/in/allisondan/>

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 151

From: [Jim](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Stop Measure A
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 10:55:23 AM

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PLEASE READ THIS COMMENT ALOUD ...

This is directed to the **STA Board**. **In an effort to keep this concise and easy to read, my commentary is in a "bullet" format. There are too many reasons why this tax should not be implemented to address each in a great deal of detail and still leave time to complete the meeting in one day!**

- **Small businesses are already dying in this economic melt-down. This tax would further promote the decline in the business that they are able to maintain. If anything, we should be exploring ways we can assist these businesses on a local level as they are vital to all of us for economic survival!**
- **This plan rejects some of the most beneficial parts of taxpayer spending, such as the Southeast Connector**
- **Unemployment is growing ... it's over 14.7% ... 148,100 unemployed now. We do not need to further accelerate unemployment!**
- **A 9.25% sales tax is way too high! Higher than 88% of all other counties nationwide.**
- **We already pay two other transportation taxes that have had their funds "robbed" by being reapportioned to other uses, like the general fund on the first and the bullet train for the second. Then we hear there is not enough to fix the roads! Spend what funds we have already collected for the intended purposes!**
- **The tax is regressive and hurts children, the elderly (on fixed incomes), and single-parent homes.**
- **Only 30% of the tax goes to fix our roads, which is what we wanted and were sold on in the first place! Again... the funds were robbed!!**
- **Residents are trying to survive during this economic melt-down and pandemic. This will only make our economy worse and extend our economic recovery**
- **This tax increase will make business less competitive with surrounding counties**

- My children and grandchildren will be paying this 40-year tax for decades!
- Everybody hates this tax!
- It would cost taxpayers over \$1,000,000 to just put this on the ballot!

- Jim Kinnicutt -

Support the Country You Live In...

or -

Live in the Country You Support.

ITEM 3 STA PUBLIC COMMENT 152

From: [Cherie Faulconer](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: Tax hike
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 12:30:22 PM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, do not click links/attachments.

This tax hike at such a difficult time is insane! It is time to represent the people and back away from this awful action.

Please read this email aloud at the meeting.

With grave concerns,

Cher e and Richard Faulconer

Sent from my iPad

From: [Arlette Peterson](#)
To: [Clerk of the Board Public Email](#)
Subject: NO ON MEASURE "A"
Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020 12:49:24 PM

EXTERNAL EMAIL: If unknown sender, do not click links/attachments.

This email is to voice OUR OPPOSITION to MEASURE "A" ... We're already paying way too much in taxes. The country needs to figure out a better way to budget itself...raising taxes is NEVER a good excuse for poor management. We are retired and on a fixed income...have to manage with what we have..no what we WANT!
We respectfully thank you for accepting this email, and I request that it be read out loud at the meeting.

Mr. & Mrs William Peterson.