VOTE NO on the City's ask for a $7 million annual general-purpose tax with no expiration date.

Tell City Hall: Do better with the tax dollars we already provide.

Voters remember being told Measure T and rampant new housing development would **"NOT INCREASE TAXES."**

Promise made. **Promise NOT kept.**

Now City Hall wants another **$7 million annually with no expiration date.**

And for what exactly?

Measure H does **not** exactly specify **nor** restrict how the $7 million must be spent. Its revenue is **not legally restricted** to police, fire, streets, parks, homelessness, or other services.

Truthfully, this is a **general-purpose tax** that City Hall can freely use as it pleases.

San Mateo manages a **$356 million annual City budget** with a projected **$16.8 million General Fund deficit**.

The City Manager recently received a salary increase to **$380,120**, before adding employer-paid benefits that cost taxpayers even more annually.

Voters expect City management to **balance the budget, prioritize essential services, improve productivity, and cut wasteful spending before asking residents to pay more.**

CUT BUDGET WASTE instead of threatening essential-service reductions to persuade voters to approve another tax.

Before raising taxes, City Hall should scrutinize management and staffing costs, vacancies, consultants and contracts, administrative overhead, operating efficiencies, program priorities, and economic development.

Please roll up your sleeves and aggressively pursue the millions in Vehicle License Fee (VLF) revenue withheld by the State.

Taxpayers are the shareholders of City government.

We deserve accountability, measurable results, and a complete budget solution—

NOT ANOTHER OPEN-ENDED TAX. VOTE NO.

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