


ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE F-20

Your City Council asks you to vote YES on Measure F-20, which will add a 1% local sales tax to continue helping Grover Beach move forward in addressing important community needs. This measure will generate revenue that would stay in Grover Beach and support a range of projects and services such as repairing and maintaining major streets, sidewalks, supporting local businesses recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, and maintaining emergency medical, fire, and police services.

Grover Beach has a track record of careful financial management and prudent reserves to meet community needs despite having one of the smallest budgets in the county. The City is repairing local streets with voter-approved bond funding and replacing aging water and sewer infrastructure with grant funds and revenue from utility rates. However, we face growing unfunded community needs including \$10 million to repair major streets such as West Grand Avenue, miles of sidewalk infill to improve pedestrian accessibility, support for businesses impacted by COVID-19, and low public safety staffing levels that limit community outreach work. Measure F-20 would provide ongoing funding to meet community needs and help improve our quality of life.

Measure F-20 will generate additional tax revenue paid largely by tourists and visitors rather than residents. The measure would add a 1% local sales tax to the 0.5% local tax established in 2006 while keeping our sales taxes comparable with other cities. Measure F-20 would provide ongoing revenue to support local needs and the funds cannot be taken by the State. Measure F-20 also requires public oversight through audits and a citizen oversight committee.

We realize that the public will make the final decision on investing additional funding to support community needs. We urge you to vote YES on Measure F-20 to continue our collective progress in moving Grover Beach forward.



Jeff Lee, Mayor



Karen Bright, Mayor Pro Tem



Mariam Shah, Council Member







Desi Lance, Council Member

ARGUMENTS

FORM OF STATEMENT TO BE FILED BY AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS

The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the (**circle one:** primary / rebuttal) argument (**circle one:** in favor of / against) ballot **Measure F-20** at the General Municipal Election for the City of Grover Beach to be held on November 3, 2020 hereby state that the argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

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AND
- All authors must print their name(s) upon, and sign, the Argument/Rebuttal itself (EC 9283/9285)

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“Argument in Favor of Measure F-20”

Or

“Argument Against Measure F-20”

Rebuttal Titles

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“Rebuttal Argument in Favor of Measure F-20”

Or

“Rebuttal Argument Against Measure F-20”

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- Primary arguments may not exceed 300 words in length (EC 9282(c))
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