Local Measures
November 3, 2020 Presidential General Election

MEASURE “E”
City of Oxnard
FUNDING FOR SERVICES LIKE OXNARD 911 SAFETY/MEDICAL RESPONSE, FINANCIAL RECOVERY/ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURE

Shall an ordinance establishing 1½¢ sales tax to help maintain 911 emergency response times, natural disaster, public health/emergency preparedness; fund fire stations; address homelessness; attract/retain local businesses/jobs; keep public areas safe/clean; aid Oxnard’s long-term financial stability; fund general services/infrastructure; requiring annual audits, public disclosure of all spending; providing $40,000,000 annually until ended by voters, used only for Oxnard, be adopted?

Yes_____  No_____  % of votes required for passage: 50% + 1

MEASURE “F”
City of Oxnard
EXPEDITED PROCESSING OF CERTAIN CITY-ISSUED DEVELOPMENT PERMITS IF PROJECTS MEET SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS AND PROJECT APPLICATIONS ARE FILED BY SPECIFIED PROFESSIONALS WHO HAVE RECEIVED REQUIRED TRAINING PURSUANT TO THE NEW PROGRAM; PROGRAM INCLUDES AUDITS OF APPROVED PERMITS AND APPEALS OF CERTAIN DENIED PERMITS AND ADVERSE CERTIFICATION ACTIONS OF THE SPECIFIED PROFESSIONALS TO NEWLY CREATED APPEALS BOARD AND TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Shall an ordinance be adopted to require expedited processing of certain city-issued development permits if projects meet specific requirements and project applications are filed by specified professionals who receive required training pursuant to a new program that includes audits of approved permits and appeals of adverse audit results, certain denied permits, and adverse certification actions against specified professionals to a designated appeals board, the decision of which may be appealed to the city council?

Yes_____  No_____  % of votes required for passage: 50% + 1

MEASURE “G”
City of Ojai
OJAI CANNABIS GENERAL TAX MEASURE

Shall the measure approving an immediate 3% tax on cannabis businesses, which will potentially add $465,000 - $1,550,000 annually to fund general city services, and approving authority for the City of Ojai to increase the tax on cannabis businesses up to 10% of gross receipts in the future, until the voters decide otherwise, be adopted?

Yes_____  No_____  % of votes required for passage: 50% + 1
MEASURE “H”
Ventura Unified School District

VENTURA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT PARCEL TAX MEASURE
To preserve and improve academic programs including reading, writing, music, art, science and math; fund computer technology; retain highly qualified teachers; maintain career and technical training programs; and maintain small class sizes, shall Ventura Unified School District’s measure to renew its existing $59 parcel tax for four years be approved, raising approximately $2.2 million annually, with independent citizens’ oversight committee, all funds spent on neighborhood schools, and no money used for administrative salaries or taken by the State?

Yes______ No______ % of votes required for passage: two-thirds (2/3)

MEASURE “I”
City of Ventura

CANNABIS AND HEMP TAX
To fund city services (public safety, roads, parks, etc.), shall the City tax cannabis (marijuana) and hemp businesses at annual rates not to exceed $10.00 per canopy square foot for cultivation (adjustable for inflation), 8% of gross receipts for retail cannabis businesses, and 4% for all other cannabis businesses, should the city council legalize them at a future date; which will generate an unknown amount of revenue and will be levied until repealed?

Yes______ No______ % of votes required for passage: 50% + 1

MEASURE “J”
City of Ventura

PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS CHARTER AMENDMENT
In order to deliver street, park, sewer, and water improvements and other public works projects more efficiently and less expensively, shall Sections 400 and 1006 of the City Charter be amended to create more flexibility in the methods used to deliver those projects when the City Council designates, by ordinance, the methods allowed and determines that a particular project would benefit from those methods?

Yes______ No______ % of votes required for passage: 50% + 1
MEASURE “K”
Ojai Unified School District

OJAI UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND MEASURE

To improve the quality of local schools; modernize and renovate classrooms, restrooms and facilities; upgrade outdated electrical, plumbing, and sewer systems; and make health, safety and security improvements; shall Ojai Unified School District’s measure be adopted authorizing $45,000,000 of bonds at legal interest rates, generating on average $2,336,000 annually while bonds are outstanding with levies of approximately 2.7 cents per $100 assessed value, annual audits, no money for salaries, citizen oversight, and no money taken by the State?

Bonds Yes_____ Bonds No_____ % of votes required for passage: 55%

MEASURE “L”
City of Oxnard

EXPANSION OF DUTIES OF ELECTED CITY TREASURER BY COMBINING THE POSITIONS OF THE CITY TREASURER AND DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND GIVING THE CITY TREASURER ADDITIONAL DUTIES PURSUANT TO THAT NEW ROLE: AUTHORITY OVER CITY’S FINANCE DEPARTMENT; SELECTION AND OVERSIGHT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR; ESTABLISHMENT, PREPARATION AND SUBMITTAL OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS; ESTABLISHMENT, PREPARATION AND SUBMITTAL OF MONTHLY PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS FOR CITY DEPARTMENTS; AND PREPARATION AND SUBMITTAL OF ANNUAL CITY BUDGET

Shall the initiative ordinance to increase the powers of the City Treasurer, limit the City Council’s ability to restrict the powers of the City Treasurer, reduce oversight authority of the City Manager and Director of Finance, mandate the City Treasurer's assumption of professional responsibilities over the City's $523,000,000 Budget, $256,000,000 Investment Portfolio, Finance Department, preparation and submittal of the annual municipal budget, and professional financial operations of the City, be adopted?

Yes_____ No_____ % of votes required for passage: 50% + 1

MEASURE “M”
City of Oxnard

NEW REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE WAY IN WHICH CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS, COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND OTHER CITY LEGISLATIVE BODIES ARE RUN

Shall the initiative ordinance mandating meetings of City legislative bodies to use Robert’s Rules of Order, advance release of pre-recorded staff presentations, obtain guidebooks and training from a professional Parliamentarian on meeting procedures, restrict meeting start times, and alter existing rules for public comment, be adopted?

Yes_____ No_____ % of votes required for passage: 50% + 1
MEASURE “N”
City of Oxnard

EARLY TERMINATION OF MEASURE O SALES TAX IF SPECIFIC PAVEMENT STANDARDS FOR CITY STREETS AND ALLEYS ARE NOT MET; EXTENSION OF MEASURE O SALES TAX FOR ADDITIONAL FIVE YEAR PERIODS IF SPECIFIC PAVEMENT STANDARDS ARE MET

Shall initiative ordinance to mandate revisions to Measure O (adopted by Oxnard voters in 2008) to either end Measure O funding early for City services such as fire, emergency response, street paving/pothole repair, youth recreation, after school and anti-gang prevention programs, parks/open space preservation, and senior services if specific pavement standards for city streets and alleys are not met, or extend currently-approved expiration date if pavement standards are met, be adopted?

Yes_____     No_____

% of votes required for passage: 50% + 1

MEASURE “O”
County of Ventura

VENTURA COUNTY PILOT CANNABIS CULTIVATION PROGRAM

Shall an ordinance to allow the commercial cultivation, processing, distribution and sale of cannabis within the unincorporated area of Ventura County, limited to 500 acres for indoor general cannabis cultivation and 100 acres for indoor nursery cultivation, with sales allowed between licensed distributors but not to the general public, and to impose a tax of four percent of gross receipts on general cannabis cultivation and one percent of gross receipts on cannabis nursery cultivation, be adopted?

Yes_____     No_____

All direct arguments for measures consisting of no more than 300 words, must be submitted to the Ventura County Elections Division, Hall of Administration, 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA, or the office of your city clerk, during business hours, between the dates of July 21, 2020 and July 30, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Rebuttal arguments shall consist of no more than 250 words and may be submitted between the dates of July 31, 2020 and August 10, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Additional information regarding the submittal of arguments may be obtained by calling the Ventura County Elections Division at (805) 654-2664 or your City Clerk.