

Notice of Intention to Circulate Petition

Notice is hereby given by the persons whose names appear hereon of their intention to circulate the petition within the City of Folsom for the purpose of enacting a special sales tax to ensure the financial viability of the City of Folsom, to provide for a safe community, and to provide for essential services in the community for decades to come. A statement of reasons for the proposed action as contemplated in the petition is as follows:

A broad coalition of concerned Folsom residents has submitted the Folsom Residents for Public Safety and Quality of Life measure for approval by the Folsom voters in November 2024. This measure would approve a one cent (\$.01) Transaction and Use Tax (Special Sales Tax) to be used solely in the city of Folsom and only for the specific purposes outlined in the ballot measure. The funds generated by this measure cannot be taken by the state or the county and must be used in Folsom for the express purposes specified in the measure including: police protection, fire and emergency services, maintaining our parks and trails, relieving traffic congestion, building our economic base to support small businesses and create jobs and to fund critical capital projects that enhance the quality of life in Folsom. The funds may not be diverted to other general purposes and may not be used to enhance public employee pensions.

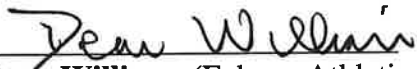
The City of Folsom is facing unprecedented financial challenges, similar to those facing many cities. These financial issues are not new and the City has deferred maintenance in parks and trails, reduced staffing levels and been responsible with our tax dollars, but the simple fact is that costs have increased everywhere and are rising faster than any modest revenue growth. The sales tax rate in Folsom is one cent lower than other cities in our region and this measure would make our rate equivalent to other cities and provide funding for essential services in Folsom. Our schools are great, our home values are high and unemployment in Folsom is low, but there is not sufficient revenue to provide police and fire services and other essential services at an acceptable level. The City of Folsom has fewer police officers budgeted today than it did in 2008-2009, half the traffic officers and 30% fewer detectives despite increased population and increased demand for services. Without additional revenue the City will be required to cut services across the board. The concerned residents submitting this petition believe we must invest in our community to keep it the safe and vibrant community that we all enjoy. We also believe visitors that use and benefit from Folsom's essential services should share in community investment.

This measure requires an annual audit and a Citizen's Oversight Committee of community members to assure the funds are used as required in the measure. The Oversight Committee will prepare an annual report which will examine collections, how the funds were used and make recommendations on the use of funds.

The city of Folsom is at a significant crossroads – We must provide funding for our police, fire and emergency and essential services and invest in our community in order to maintain our quality of life and property values.

Signed by:

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