

CITY ATTORNEY'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE LW

CITY OF LOMITA 1/4% TRANSACTIONS AND USE (SALES) TAX

On March 3, 2026, the City Council unanimously voted to place Measure LW on the June 2, 2026 Special Municipal Election ballot. By placing Measure LW on the ballot, the City complies with Article XIII C of the California Constitution (Proposition 218), which requires a majority of the voters to approve an ordinance that establishes a general tax.

If approved by a majority of Lomita voters, this Measure would authorize a one-quarter percent (1/4%) retail transactions and use (sales) tax within the City of Lomita. A one-quarter percent (1/4%) rate equates to an extra 25¢ per \$100 purchased. It is estimated that Measure LW will provide an additional \$650,000 in annual local funding that could be used for maintaining general City services such as Sheriff/emergency response, crime and gang prevention efforts, cleaning and maintaining parks and public areas, street, pothole and stormwater/sewer pipe repair and homelessness programs. This tax would be a "general tax," meaning that revenues raised from the tax would go into the City's general fund to pay for any lawful City program, improvement, or service.

California Revenue and Taxation Code section 7285.9 authorizes the City to levy a general transactions and use/sales tax at a rate of one-quarter percent (1/4%) so long as the tax is approved by a majority of the voters voting in an election on that issue. If approved, the tax would remain in effect until ended by Lomita voters voting at a subsequent election.

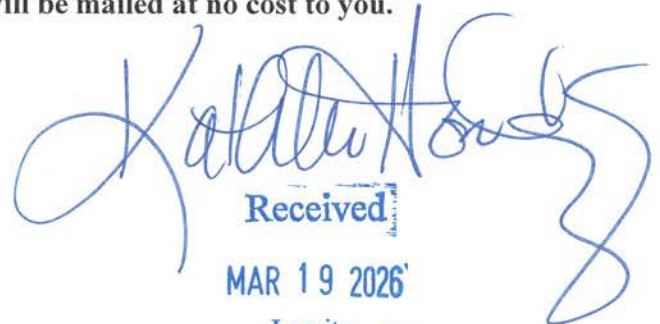
The tax would be paid in addition to current sales taxes and would be collected at the same time and in the same manner as existing sales taxes. All revenues raised by the tax would remain in the City and would not be shared with the State, County or any other agency.

A "yes" vote on Measure LW will authorize the 1/4% transactions and use (sales) tax.

A "no" vote on Measure LW will not authorize the 1/4% transactions and use (sales) tax.

TREVOR RUSIN
City Attorney

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure LW. If you desire a copy of the Measure, please call the City's elections official at (310) 325-7110 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.


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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE LW

KEEP LOMITA FUNDING FOR LOMITA RESIDENTS!

Stop Los Angeles County Bureaucrats from seizing Lomita's tax dollars—Vote yes on LW!

Yes on LW maintains our LOCAL CONTROL over Lomita's taxpayer dollars, for the services Lomita needs.

Yes on LW maintains Lomita's public safety services and our streets, roads and water infrastructure!

Lomita's sewer and water pipes are nearly 100 years old and failing.

Yes on LW upgrades failing pipes before they cause major pipe breaks and flooding that could cost us every dollar we have saved in our City reserves.

Yes on LW gives you-- the Lomita taxpayer-- **Local Control** by ensuring taxpayer dollars are kept in Lomita to fund essential services we rely on, such as:

- Preventing crimes including thefts, burglaries and property crimes
- Keeping parks and public areas safe and clean
- Maintaining neighborhood sheriff patrols and emergency response
- Repairing streets and potholes
- Repairing stormwater and sewer pipes, some of which are 100 years old
- Maintaining Lomita's long-term finances

Every penny raised by Measure LW is legally required to be spent in Lomita – preventing it from being taken by the County, Sacramento, Washington D.C. or other Southern California agencies.

Here's what Measure LW won't do:

Measure LW ISN'T a tax on your home or property.

Measure LW DOESN'T apply to food groceries or prescription medication.

Yes on LW requires all revenue be collected and spent only to benefit Lomita residents and businesses to maintain City services and address local issues.

Stop political money grabs, keep our tax dollars local, and maintain our City's financial stability and the services we rely on by voting **yes on LW**.

Join us in voting **yes on LW stop sending our money to the County!**

For factual information visit: LomitaCity.com

CINDY SEGAWA
Mayor

DAVE GILLOTTE
President, *L.A. County Firefighters Assoc.*

ROBERT LUNA
Sheriff

CHRIS CHARTIER
Grocery Outlet Owner

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10362 CITY OF LOMITA SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION - MEASURE LW

City of Lomita Local Control/Services Measure. To maintain Lomita's long-term financial stability and general city services, including sheriff/emergency response; theft/burglary/property crime prevention; keep public parks/public areas safe/clean; repair streets/potholes, old stormwater/sewer pipes; maintain parks and gang prevention efforts; address homelessness, shall a measure be adopted establishing a 1/4¢ local sales tax, providing approximately \$650,000 annually until ended by voters, requiring audits/public spending disclosure, all funds locally controlled? **Supporters:** Cindy Segawa, Mayor; Lomita Firefighter Assn; Robert Luna, Sheriff; C.Chartier, Grocery Outlet Owner; J.Bayouth, Harrys BBQ Owner **Opponents:** None Submitted.

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