



Community Update: Information on Lomita's Municipal Election

Measure LW

June 2nd Election Ballot





What is Measure LW?

- On March 3rd, the Lomita City Council unanimously voted to place a general sales tax measure on the June 2 Ballot:

The City of Lomita Local Control and City Services Measure: Measure LW

- A ¼ (0.25%) cent sales tax measure—on the June 2nd ballot to address City service priorities such as addressing sewer and stormwater infrastructure, public safety and public works services.

Why was Measure LW placed on the June 2 ballot?



Water engineers have identified City water and sewer pipes some of which are 90 years old, that are at risk of failure if not upgraded.



The City has declared a fiscal emergency because the cost of upgrading this aging infrastructure could drain the City's financial reserves.



If enacted Measure LW can address these priorities and more.



Official Measure LW Ballot Question

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.

Supporters:

- Mayor Cindy Segawa
- LA County Firefighters Association
- Sheriff Robert Luna
- Grocery Outlet Owner Chris Chartier
- Harry's BBQ Owner John Bayouth

Opponents:

- None

Does Measure LW keep Lomita Funding in Lomita?



- If Measure LW is not enacted, L.A. County could seize this money and use it themselves
- If enacted, Measure LW keeps taxpayer dollars local, for the benefit of Lomita residents
- Measure LW requires all revenue is collected and spent only to benefit Lomita residents and businesses to maintain City services and address local issues



Current Sales Tax in Lomita: 10.50%



For every \$100 spent in Lomita, \$10.50 is taxed.

The Tax Cap Limit Currently set by the State is 10.75%

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-  \$2.50 (2.50%) allocated to LA County & Other Taxing Agencies

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*.75 cents (.75%)
goes to Lomita
(2020 Measure L)*

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Sales Tax Allocation Recap

- State: 6%
- County: 2.75%
- Lomita 1.75%

Measure LW, if passed by voter, will add 0.25% to Lomita's local share of sales tax revenue, bringing it to 2%....

Or \$2 for every \$100



Community Identified Priorities

- Measure LW funding could also be used to address community identified priorities such as crime prevention (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 90-year-old stormwater and sewer pipes
- Maintaining Lomita's Long-term financial stability



Measure LW Financial Protections

- Measure LW requires that all funds are used locally
- Measure LW requires annual independent financial audits and public reports to verify funds are spent properly and as promised to the public
- Measure LW funds will stay local. No funds can be taken by Sacramento, LA County or any other agency
- Measure LW is not a tax on your home or property



Voter Updates & Information

- Please ensure that your Lomita vote is counted!
- Recent USPS operational changes mean that ballots mailed late may not be counted in time
- Given these changes, if you plan to return your ballot by mail, please do so early, and no later than **Wednesday, May 27.**
- Ballots may also be returned at an official drop box or vote center. Please visit the Los Angeles County website for more information: Lavote.gov
- For more information on Measure LW or Lomita's Municipal Election, visit: Lomitacity.com



Thank you!

Questions?