

## **REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE A**

Measure A has important safeguards to ensure that new revenue will be used as promised:

- To increase the number of police officers and firefighters keeping Long Beach residents safe; and
- Repairing roads, sidewalks and important public facilities like parks & libraries.

A Citizens' Advisory Committee will oversee the revenue expenditures created by Measure A to ensure the funds are being used to repair infrastructure and to enhance public safety. Measure A includes annual audits by our independent City Auditor. The Council also unanimously passed a resolution that states the funds will be used for infrastructure and public safety. Mayor Garcia has vowed to veto any proposal to use funds for another purpose.

With these safeguards in place, we urge you to vote Yes on Measure A so Long Beach can hire additional police to combat crime rates that are increasing across the state, and to maintain 911 paramedic response times throughout Long Beach.

Passing Measure A will also make needed repairs to our roads, sidewalks and facilities. Every year we don't make improvements, the cost to repair our public infrastructure increases.

Measure A is a temporary tax that will end after 10 years and this tax is shared by everyone, including visitors to our city.

Please join Long Beach Firefighters, Long Beach Police Officers, City Prosecutor Doug Haubert and hundreds of community leaders and Vote Yes on Measure A.

**ROBERT GARCIA**  
Mayor of Long Beach

**BOB FOSTER**  
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**BEVERLY O'NEILL**  
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