

BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY

PROPOSED INITIATIVE MEASURE TO REPEAL THE CITY'S WASTEWATER RATES ADOPTED IN JANUARY 2016

This initiative, if passed by a majority of the voters voting on the measure, would repeal the wastewater rates that went into effect on March 1, 2016 following adoption of City of Oxnard Ordinance No. 2901. The wastewater rates in Ordinance No. 2901 were adopted following a notice and majority protest proceeding in accordance with Proposition 218.

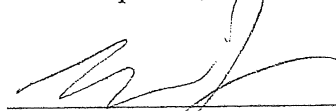
As reflected in Ordinance No. 2901 and the Cost of Services Study, which provides the basis for the wastewater rates, the wastewater rates were adopted for the purposes of meeting operating expenses, including the increased cost of chemicals and energy sources, safe and effective sewage treatment, stringent regulatory requirements, making debt payments and meeting bond covenants, paying employee wages and benefits; purchasing and leasing services, supplies, equipment, and materials associated with the provision of wastewater service; meeting financial reserve requirements; and obtaining funds for capital projects necessary to maintain wastewater service within the City service area, including repair and replacement of the extensive collection and disposal systems and treatment plant, and to pay for the direct impact of utility operation on City services including streets, public buildings and public safety services.

If approved by the voters, this initiative would repeal the new wastewater rates. If repealed, the wastewater rates in effect immediately prior to March 1, 2016 would go back into effect.

CERTIFICATION

This ballot title and summary are hereby submitted to the elections official in conformance with Section 9203 of the Elections Code of the State of California.

Dated: April 20, 2016



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