

## **REBUTTAL to Argument FOR (In Favor of) Measure D**

I authored this tax about 25 years ago – **TRUST ME!** We planned it as **TEMPORARY. NO other property owner** in PV or California pays this **EXTRA TAX.**

Other cities **ALL** fund this from the **REGULAR** property taxes (1% -Prop 13). Why should we be the only taxpayers who pay this tax?

Our elected officials had ample time to reduce/eliminate this tax that no one else pays. They will never end it! **NEVER!!** I have lost patience!

In 2007 only 23% of eligible voters voted –13% voted no- This was with **NO** opposition!

The Citizen's Committee were not here 25 years ago – they voted to extend the tax as the easiest option!

Please consider these items:

- The City's reserves will cover this tax **AND MORE** for years, providing ample time to study options without **ANY** service reductions.
- Your insurance premium will **NOT CHANGE.** Fire and Paramedic will stay!
- The formula is not audited: according to the Auditor formula is provided by the City!
- Average increase was 3.35% then why charge 6.2% annually as the new increase? **TRUST THEM** – 6.2% maximum means that is what we can pay!
- 12 years is too long!
- They will never amend it –haven't in the past – won't in the future.

The Fire Contract is completely unrelated to home size! It Funds 5 Firefighters and their equipment – **PERIOD!**

Send this back to the drawing board!

Ask anyone in **ANY** other City **NO ONE** else pays this parcel tax!

**PLEASE** Vote it down!