



# MEMORANDUM

City Manager's Office

**DATE:** May 8, 2020

**TO:** Mayor and Council

**FROM:** Steve McHarris, Interim City Manager

*Steve McHarris*

**SUBJECT:** May 5, 2020 Council Meeting Public Comments

I am sending this Info Memo based on the high level of public interest from this week's City Council meeting agenda Item #11 regarding potential revenue tax measures. While this item was not heard, the City did receive a total of 194 written comments on this item. I have attached a PDF file which contains all the written comments received through the evening of May 5 for your information and anyone interested in these comments. Staff will also follow-up with a social media post today for any members of the public that have expressed interest in these comments.

Comments submitted between 4:30 and 10:00 PM on the Public Comment form for the Milpitas City Council Special Meeting scheduled at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, May 5, 2020:

<b>Date</b>	May 05, 2020
<b>Name</b>	Eva Lu
<b>Address:</b>	Milpitas, CA
<b>Agenda Item:</b>	PUBLIC FORUM
<b>Comment</b>	
As a longtime (or 10+ years) Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose both sales and Cannabis Tax Measures. Please do not rush into these tax measures while we are dealing with the covid pandemic. Thank you.	

<b>Date</b>	May 05, 2020
<b>Name</b>	Tingna Xu
<b>Address:</b>	Milpitas 95035
<b>Agenda Item:</b>	PUBLIC FORUM
<b>Comment</b>	
Comment for 05/05/2020 Tax Measures My name is Tina. I live Please vote No on cannabis tax.  "Cannabis tax brings much net income to a city" is a myth. Most of the cities with legalized pot, if not all, do not have any meaningful net revenue.  Many local governments have net income from cannabis equal to one percent or less of the total budget, if not incurring losses.  Examples include many cities in the vicinity of Seattle.  This is attributed to the huge expenses in connection with the sales of cannabis including but not limited to creation and implementation of relevant new laws, increasing expenses on hospitals, medical professionals, and policemen, drug rehabilitation expenditures, administration costs, etc.  Please vote "NO" on both tax measures. Thank you.	

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Date May 05, 2020

Name Xiao Tan

Address: Milpitas

Agenda Item: PUBLIC FORUM

Comment

I am surprised to learn that while we, the residents and businesses in Milpitas, are coping with the Covid Pandemic, the city is considering adding more tax measures. It will cost the city about \$240k for these measures. And this money was not even in the city's 2020-2021 budget plan.

Please listen to staff recommendation and do not move forward with this issue. Thank you.

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Name Di Yu

Agenda Item: PUBLIC FORUM

Comment

NO on cannabis tax in Milpitas.

I lost 2 cousins due to cannabis.

1) One of my cousin was killed by DUI driver, left behind a 7 years old kid. If we have a pot shop in Milpitas, it will increase the traffics and more people driving under influence. Our city is small and already have a lot of traffic, this will put more danger to our community.

2) Another cousin started smoking marijuana in high school, but eventually got into more dangerous drug. She is now living in the mental health facility due to the brain damaged from the drug. We all know that marijuana is a gateway to other dangerous drugs. Why are we still risking our kids to let them live in the environment of thinking cannabis is safe? Is the future of our kids's health are more important or money from the tax?

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Date May 05, 2020

Name voltaire Montemayor

Address:

Agenda Item: 1. Accept Report on COVID-19 testing in Milpitas, and Approve and Authorize the City Manager to enter into a formal agreement, Memorandum of Understanding or other contractual agreement with IGeneX to provide and conduct tests for mobile COVID-19 testing

Comment

The Prevention of probable more deaths, illness, victims and instant griefings is more of a value than the negative impact on economy and anxieties to be out of the Social Distancing. Let us just be more patient. We'll be out of this Pandemic. We Pray.

<b>Date</b>	May 05, 2020
<b>Name</b>	Ray Zhang
<b>Address:</b>	Milpitas Ca 95035
<b>Agenda Item:</b>	PUBLIC FORUM
<b>Comment</b>	
Hello Milpitas City Council and citizens.	
I know some of our Milpitas bad Council members will play dirty trick trying to push the cannabis bill to pass without our good citizens opposing it during this Covid-19 shelter in place period.	
I would say whomever supports this cannabis business operating in Milpitas will terrify our Milpitas citizen safety but more to his or herself person gain.	
Our city can use other cities' cannabis sales available data to Forecast the NET income profit for our city. We will end up negative revenue in operating this cannabis business in Milpitas.	
Why do we still do that if we already foreseen the losses in operating this cannabis business?	
Please vote no to cannabis business in Milpitas!	
Concerned Milpitas citizen Ray Zhang	

<b>Date</b>	May 05, 2020
<b>Name</b>	marsha wang
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Agenda Item:</b>	PUBLIC FORUM
<b>Comment</b>	
Honorable mayor and council members, Please protect your citizens by vote for no on allowing weeds dispensary in our city. And follow through your votes in 2018 permanent ban weeds dispensary business in Milpitas. Thank you.	

Thank you for your request! Someone will be in contact with you shortly

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Date May 06, 2020

Name My Truong

Address: [REDACTED], Milpitas, ca 95035

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

No cannabis tax at our city

From: MachForm

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 11:08 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject: City Council Meeting Public Comments

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Name Teng Su

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

My name is Teng Su, live on [REDACTED]

As a 11 years Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose both sales and Cannabis Tax Measures. Please do not rush into these tax measures while we are dealing with the covid pandemic. Thank you.

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Name Lin Guo

Address: [REDACTED], Milpitas

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Comment

My name is Lin Guo. I live in [REDACTED], Milpitas.

I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure. Please vote "NO" on this issue.

I sincerely hope our mayor and city council members can put our neighborhood safety, citizens' healthy, kids' future and the quality of life in the first place and seek the best interest of Milpitas residents not the special interest groups. I strongly urge you to vote "NO" on cannabis issue. Thank you.

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Date May 05, 2020

Name test

Address: test

Agenda Item: C4. Adopt a Resolution Approving the Annual Engineer's Report, and Adopt a Resolution Declaring the Intention to Levy and Collect Assessments for Fiscal Year 2020-21 for Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance Assessment District (LLMD) No. 95-1 (McCarthy Ranch), and Provide Notice of Public Hearing to be held on May 19, 2020 for LLMD No. 95-1 McCarthy Ranch

Comment

test

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Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 10:27 PM

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Name Urvishkumar Mehta

Address: POBOX 362116 MILPITAS CA 95035

Agenda Item: 8. Adopt the City of Milpitas Economic Development Strategy and Implementation Actions

Comment

To Milpitas Council Members,

I would like to suggest regarding the Economy and Business Development is to utilize the State and Federal Grant resources.

Establish Grant Programs for Milpitas City Council.

Establish Milpitas Partnership Program with different Industry (Example: Manufacturing Warehouses Rent and Lease Relief Program).

Establish Phase by Phase Strategy for Business Redevelopment and Reopening.

Establish Resource Acquirement Program through Sister Cities and Sister States.

Thanks,

Urvish Mehta

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Name Ling Li

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

No plant marijuana in Milpitas !

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Name Helen zhao

Address: Milpitas

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Comment

Say no to cannabis

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Name Francis Wong

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA

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I vote "No" to item 11.

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Name Anna Ru

Address: [REDACTED] santa clara ca 95054

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No plant marijuana in Milpitas

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Name Voltaire Montemayor

Address: [REDACTED]

Agenda Item: 8. Adopt the City of Milpitas Economic Development Strategy and Implementation Actions

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The Mayor and Members of the City Council, The City Manager and Staff,

Thank You for the Presenters and the involved City of Milpitas Government Department(s). If within the one Rule; 1 submission for each agenda item.

The CIPs, per Fiscal year or increment of 5 fiscal years span is I believed adjustable instantaneously; I would say that even with this unforeseen economic crisis, Milpitas could come back STRONG with few valuable ideas to consider: Small to Big Businesses should be ready to be (1) quality competitive, (2) maintain and search for the best qualified workers (3) and more.

The people of Milpitas and around should be loyal or should patronize local stores and companies and more about the City, Education, Environment, People, Safety, Traffic and more. Thank You.

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Name Shuchin Yu

Address: [REDACTED] San Jose, CA 95112

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No plant marijuana in Milpitas

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Name Sarah Yu

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas 95035

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Comment

Honorable Mayor and Council members, please say NO on considering marijuana sales tax as the potential city revenue. Preserve the good deed of your votes is 2018 permanently ban marijuana business in City of Milpitas.

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Name Martha Lamdin Bates

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

Tonight's meeting was a big disappointment. Members of the public obviously wanted to comment on cannabis. We finally got the pro-cannabis revenue people to tune in, then it was deferred. If you weren't going to discuss it on the agenda you should have given us time during the public forum.

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To: Council Meeting  
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Name Hooshang Golabi

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035

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Comment

Please protect city of Milpitas by "no" on considering Marijuana sales tax as potential city revenue.

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Name Linda Jiang

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

As a mom of two teenage boys, I strongly oppose sales of cannabis in Milpitas. It's bad for the city and the community, especially our children.

Sincerely

Linda Jiang

[REDACTED]

Milpitas, CA

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Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 9:57 PM

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Hi Milpitas City Council,

I am a resident of Milpitas and I'd like to express my deep concern on allowing sale of marijuana in the beautiful city of Milpitas. Milpitas shall not allow sale of marijuana. Under Federal law, it is still violating federal law by selling marijuana.

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Name Julia T

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

Dear Mayor & honorable council members,

My name is Julia T and I live in [REDACTED]

I respectfully request our city council to vote "NO" on the cannabis tax ballot measure.

Marijuana

will cause calamitous problems to the city especially in traffic accidents, crime, youth addiction, decrease in property value, etc.

it will inevitably lead to the issue of legalization of marijuana which is an easily addictive Category I Prohibited Drug pernicious to human beings especially the young people.

Please give our children a clean & healthy environment in Milpitas!

NO Marijuana in Milpitas, please.

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Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 9:53 PM

To: Council Meeting

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Name Chen Wei

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

I can't stay in a city where is full of pot. So please ban pot in Milpitas.

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Name loraine wang

Address: [REDACTED] Fremont 94538

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Comment

No plant Marijuana in Milpitas

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To: Council Meeting

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Name Kevin Lim

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

Strongly oppose the cannabis dispensaries in Milpitas.

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Name Cassie Zhou

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

My name is Cassie.

As a Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose both sales and Cannabis Tax Measures. Please do not rush into these tax measures while we are dealing with the covid pandemic. Thank you.

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Name Eric Lau

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035

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Comment

Should this cannabis stuff dead and buried?

I remember we protested it last year and the Mayor announced that the City of Milpitas banned Cannabis forever. why is this potential revenue comes back?

Milpitas may not be a rich city in the bay area but we should not sell ourselves short to the cannabis business.

Cannabis is known as the gateway drug to other worse drugs later on. We can't sell our next generation for the drug money.

I really wish to know which council member bring this back to life.

Please ban this proposal forever.

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Name Xin Wang

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA, 95035

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Comment

I am strongly against item 11 and I vote NO for it.

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Name Urvishkumar Mehta

Address: POBOX 362116 MILPITAS CA 95035

Agenda Item: 7. Conduct a Public Hearing and Adopt a Resolution Approving the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Master Fee Schedule

Comment

I am reaching out with regards to Water Departments Water Quality Report for 2019.

As per following on Milpitas Water Department Portal, last Water Quality report of 2018 was updated.

The Santa Clara Valley Water District Monthly Report for 2019 and 2020 is available. However, the report is specific to treatment plan.

[https://www.valleywater.org/sites/default/files/2020-02/2020\\_01%20-20January%20Water%20Quality%20Report.pdf](https://www.valleywater.org/sites/default/files/2020-02/2020_01%20-20January%20Water%20Quality%20Report.pdf)

The San Francisco Water Utilities also has the 2018 Water Quality Report posted.

<https://sfwater.org/modules/showdocument.aspx?documentid=13834>

As per California State Water Resource Control Board on Aug 23, 2019, notification for PFOA and PFOS is to set.

Please refer to following information:

<https://oehha.ca.gov/water/notification-level/notification-level-recommendations-perfluorooctanoic-acid-pfoa>

I request to incorporate to have Monthly Water City Report for City of Milpitas.

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NO PLEASE!!!

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Name Lilin Ma

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas CA 95035

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Comment

My name is Lilin Ma. I live on [REDACTED] Milpitas CA95035.

Please don't waste \$240k tax payers money for both sales and cannabis tax measures but rather spend the money on helping the frontline workers, communities, and senior residents.

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Name Jenny Deng

Address: Milpitas

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Absolutely No marijuana shops in Milpitas. We have discussed this matter in 2018. Community health and safety first has higher priority than Pot store salestax revenues.

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Name Mary Tran

Address: [REDACTED] milpitad

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Please listen to staff recommendation and do not move forward with this issue. Thank you.

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Name Yanjing Wang

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

Please don't waste 240k tax payers money on the cannibals sales and it's tax measures, rather spend that to help our Frontline workers during this pandemic. I hope our major and city council would put our people and whole community health and safety in the first place.

I vote "NO" on item 11.

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Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 9:14 PM  
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Name Joshua Liu

Address: [REDACTED]

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Honorable Mayor and city council members please protect and preserve the integrity of the City of Milpitas by voting "NO" on considering marijuana sales tax as a city revenue. The preliminary votes back in 2018 on the permanent ban on marijuana shows the true desire of the people of Milpitas. Do not give in to companies that sell products that can hurt our community.

From: Dawn Lu <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 9:10 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject: No Cannabis tax on Milpitas

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No Cannabis tax on Milpitas!

I always shopping and go to the public parks with my kid in Milpitas. So please keep your community Cannabis free around this area.

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Name Ruijie Lu

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Name Shirley Yuan

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas CA 95035

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Name Zengqi Wu

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA95035

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Comment

My name is Zengqi Wu. I live on [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA95035.

I sincerely hope our mayor and city council members can put our neighborhood safety, citizens' healthy, kids' future and the quality of life in the first place and seek the best interest of Milpitas residents.

I vote "NO" on Item #11. ?Thank you.

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Name Wendy Stegeman

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

Please allow the citizens of Milpitas to vote on whether or not we want cannabis dispensaries in Milpitas. The tax revenue could be important. It is legal in California and the Better Milpitas people do not speak for all of us. They have falsified numbers and references in their propaganda. Please let the people of Milpitas vote - or have the council vote to approve dispensaries tonight! Democracy is more important than a group of pushy people who shout and shove so only their voices can be heard.

From: MachForm

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 8:59 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject: City Council Meeting Public Comments

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Comment

No Marijuana in Milpitas

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Name Ridge Chu

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035

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Comment

No Cannabis tax on Milpitas!

From: Tim Brennan <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 7:03 PM  
To: Council Meeting  
Subject: against putting the cannabis tax measure on November 2020 ballot

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I'm a Milpitas resident and I'm against putting the cannabis tax measure on November 2020 ballot due to concerns over increased crime and adolescents getting access to cannabis.

From: Kok Che <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 5:57 PM  
To: Council Meeting  
Subject:Comments for 05/05/2020 Tax Measures.

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My name is Kok Lin Che. I live on [REDACTED]

As a longtime (or 35 years) Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose both sales and Cannabis Tax Measures. Please do not rush into these tax measures while we are dealing with the covid pandemic. Thank you.

From: Sudharsana Reddy Soudhari <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 7:11 PM  
To: Council Meeting  
Subject:[BULK] Comments for 05/05/2020 Tax Measures

Importance: Low

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My name is Sudharsana Soudhari. I live on [REDACTED] Milpitas.

Please don't waste \$240k tax payers money for both sales and cannabis tax measures.

I sincerely hope our mayor and city council members can put our neighborhood safety, citizens' healthy, kids' future and the quality of life in the first place and seek the best interest of Milpitas Residents.

Please vote "NO" on both tax measures. ?

Thank you.

Regards

Sudharsana

From: Siew Ying Wong <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 7:35 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject:No Marijuana Sale Tax in Milpitas!

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The marijuana industry used enough electricity to power 32,355 homes in 2016.

Calls to Poison Control related to marijuana increased dramatically after the legalization of pot.

According to Colorado Christian University's study, for every dollar gained in cannabis tax revenue, Coloradans spent about \$4.5 to mitigate the effect of legalization.

Importantly, the calamitous consequences brought by marijuana in various aspects such as traffic fatalities, crime, youth consumption, etc. certainly outweigh the small gain, if any, from marijuana.

Sherlyn

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Name Lin Xue

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Comment

no cannabis tax on Milpitas

From: Peggy Yau <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 5:33 PM  
To: Council Meeting  
Subject:[BULK] No on Cannabis sales and sales tax measure

Importance: Low

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My name is Peggy Chen. I live on [REDACTED] in Milpitas.

As a longtime (or 18 years) Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose both sales and Cannabis Tax Measures. Please do not rush into these tax measures while we are dealing with the Covid pandemic. Thank you.

Peggy Chen  
[REDACTED]

From: ningyu zhou <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 6:02 PM  
To: Council Meeting  
Subject:[BULK] NO to cannabis shop in Milpitas

Importance: Low

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Dear honorable Milpitas city council members,

I'm a registered voter in Milpitas. I was very shocked to hear that tonight city council will discuss cannabis shop in Milpitas again after city council unanimously voted permanent ban on cannabis shop in Milpitas just last year. I strongly against the cannabis shop in Milpitas, not to mention tax on the income or not. Not all money are beneficial, there are consequences that city shall face, should pot shop get open here locally. Again, I urge all of the city council members to hold your decision that you have already made last year and stick to it. I believe, by doing so, you have won the hearts of the majority sensible residents.

Thank you!

Ningyu

From: Diana Yu <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 8:55 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject:[BULK] No Cannabis Sale Tax in Milpitas

Importance: Low

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NO on cannabis tax in Milpitas.

I lost 2 cousins due to cannabis.

- 1) One of my cousin was killed by DUI driver, left behind a 7 years old kid. If we have a pot shop in Milpitas, it will increase the traffics and more people driving under influence. Our city is small and already have a lot of traffic, this will put more danger to our community.
- 2) Another cousin started smoking marijuana in high school, but eventually got into more dangerous drug. She is now living in the mental health facility due to the brain damaged from the drug. We all know that marijuana is a gateway to other dangerous drugs. Why are we still risking our kids to let them live in the environment of thinking cannabis is safe? Is the future of our kids's health are more important or money from the tax?

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Name Vivian Hsia

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas?CA95035

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Comment

No Cannabis tax on Milpitas!

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Name Sheng Li

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Comment

Can't believe the city council is putting this on agenda again!! Here I am stating my belief again: Cannabis should NOT be legalized in Milpitas. It will bring more harm than benefit. I am sure we can increase tax revenue by other channels. Please don't try to do things against majority of people's will.

From: Vicki Young <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 8:20 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject:Item 11, Opposing adding both tax measures

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Please vote “no” on both tax measures. Thank you.

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To: Council Meeting

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Name Ling Kuang

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas

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Comment

Hi Major and all Council Members:

Please vote No on the marijuana sales tax proposal.

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Name Lily Wang

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Comment

I dont want cannabis in my city and near my home. Last year we have collectively banned it forever. Why revisit it now at this moment?? Shame on the lobbyist who are trying to take advantage of the current situatiob!!

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Name Q N

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

Honorable Mayor and council members, please protect City of Milpitas by "no" on considering Marijuana sales tax as the potential city revenue. Preserve the good deed of your votes in 2018 permanently ban marijuana business in City of Milpitas.

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Name karen Liao

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

no sales tax and no marijuana stores in Milpitas

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Comment

It's ridiculous that Milpitas decided to ban dispensaries. If you've ever been inside one, then you'd know it's impossible for anyone under 21 to get in. The security is trained to spot fake IDs, and they input your ID into the system. Why not just have dispensaries but tax them more? BetterMilpitas says they want to "protect the children", but what's stopping people from heading to San Jose or Fremont to purchase marijuana?

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Name Lili Song

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas

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Comment

I and my family OPPOSE the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure.

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To: Council Meeting

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Name Robert Liu

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035

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Comment

Appreciate your 2018 votes permanently ban marijuana business in the City of Milpitas. Please no turning on this legacy. No on marijuana sales tax for potential city revenue. Preserve your good name for yourself and your family. Thank you!

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Name M Svhovec

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

NO on cannabis sale tax in Milpitas

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Name Lei Jia

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Comment

No Marijuana please!3 of my friends were hit by a young man who took marijuana. One was in her car with her daughters, one total lost her car, the other one had her car fixed for 4months. I was assaulted by a youth in Palo Alto city. Every time my family visited SF, my kids breathed the smell of weed in the street. All situations are out of control.

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To: Council Meeting

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Name Cho Pak

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA

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Comment

Hi Council Members and Mayor:

For marijuana sale tax, please vote No on this proposal.

Honoring the votes on 2018 for permanently ban marijuana business in Milpitas.

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Name Emi Segura

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

My name is Emi Segura. I live on [REDACTED]

Please don't waste \$240k tax payers money for both sales and cannabis tax measures.

I sincerely hope our mayor and city council members can put our neighborhood safety, citizens' healthy, kids' future and the quality of life in the first place and seek the best interest of Milpitas residents.

Please vote "NO" on both tax measures. ?Thank you

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Name tony wong

Address: [REDACTED] milpitas 95035

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Comment

please protect our city! No considering Marijuana sales tax as the potential city revenue!

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Name Yan Wang

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

My name is Yan Wang. I live in Milpitas.

As a 20+ years Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose both sales and Cannabis Tax Measures. I was surprised to notice this measure is being discussed in Milpitas while our city just banned cannabis permanently not long ago. Pls don't rush into these tax measures while we are dealing with the covid pandemic. Thank you.

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Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 8:42 PM

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Name Jonathan Liu

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

Please preserve the votes in 2018 and permanently ban the sale of marijuana in Milpitas.

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Name Lilian Liu

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Comment

No cannabis sale tax in Milpitas!

From: Amanda F <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 8:31 PM  
To: Council Meeting  
Subject: No selling Marijuana

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Please don't sell Marijuana in Milpitas!!!

Amanda Feng

From: MachForm  
Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 8:39 PM  
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Name YANG LIAO

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035

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Comment

No to Cannabis in Milpitas. Pass the bill will increase Cannabis use in Milpitas for sure because people will buy more if it is more convenient. The garbage smell is bad enough. Weed smell is even worse. Milpitas will be the SMELLY CITY once bill passed. If you have to have it passed, no smoke product should be allowed to sell here. We also need to have right to revoke it once DUI for cannabis use increase in Milpitas.

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Name Chu Lee

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Comment

No plant marijuana in Milpitas

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Name Yu Zheng

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas CA 95035

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Comment

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Please vote "NO" on both tax measures. ?Thank you.

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Name Victor Group

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA

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Comment

Dear Mayor Tran and Council Members,

As a citizen of Milpitas, I strongly support your introduction of the cannabis tax ballot measure. It is paramount to let the Democratic process be allowed to decide this issue. If we are not allowed our Constitutional right to vote on this measure in the upcoming election, I will not vote for any of you who strip this community of our right to vote for the above-mentioned ballot measure.

Milpitas voters were stunned and upset when a permanent ban was placed on Cannabis Dispensaries and essentially handicapping Milpitas from being able to collect much needed tax revenue.

About two years ago, Milpitas City council members voted to ban marijuana in the city due to false and arcane information used to terrorize members of the community as well as sway the City Council.

The Cannabis tax revenue generated by the neighboring city of, San Jose, totaled over 13 Million Dollars last year (2019) alone. A portion of which came from your very own residents. That money should not be going to another community, it should stay here in Milpitas. Remember Milpitas first.

Thank you,

-Victor Group

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Name Daniel Rivera

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

As a 54 year resident of Milpitas, I am in favor of a cannabis sales tax to boost city revenue.

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Name Yin Cheng

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas CA 95035

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Name Zhe Zhao

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035

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Oppose!

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Name Qinyue Zhao

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Comment

My name is Qinyue . I live on [REDACTED]

Please don't waste \$240k tax payers money for both sales and cannabis tax measures but rather spend the money on helping the frontline workers, communities, and senior residents.

Please listen to staff recommendation and do not move forward with this issue. Thank you.

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Name Diana Yu

Address: [REDACTED]

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I lost 2 cousins due to cannabis.

1) One of my cousin was killed by DUI driver, left behind a 7 years old kid. If we have a pot shop in Milpitas, it will increase the traffics and more people driving under influence. Our city is small and already have a lot of traffic, this will put more danger to our community.

2) Another cousin started smoking marijuana in high school, but eventually got into more dangerous drug. She is now living in the mental health facility due to the brain damaged from the drug. We all know that marijuana is a gateway to other dangerous drugs. Why are we still risking our kids to let them live in the environment of thinking cannabis is safe? Is the future of our kids's health are more important or money from the tax?

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Name Li Ping Zhao

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas Carol 95035

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Comment

We are living in Milpitas over 31 years

No commercial marijuana in Milpitas

We are strong against the commercial marijuana in Milpitas.

Thank you very much

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Name Eva Tsui

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

Please say no for cannabis in Milpitas. Cannabis tax brings much net income to the city is a myth !!

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Name Huey Yep

Address: [REDACTED] milpitas, ca 95035

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Comment

No cannabis Store in Milpitas, please.

We have virus already, no more drug. Thank You

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Name Grace Liu

Address: [REDACTED] Militias, CA 95035

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Comment

Honorable Mayor and council members, please protect City of Milpitas by " no " on considering Marijuana sales tax as the potential city revenue. Preserve the good deed of your votes in 2018 permanently ban marijuana business in City of Milpitas.

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Name Amanda Feng

Address: [REDACTED] San Jose

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Comment

No selling Marijuana in Milpitas !!!

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Name Jerry Li

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

My name is Jerry Li. I live in [REDACTED], milpitas.

As a Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure. Please vote "NO" on this issue.

I sincerely hope our mayor and city council members can put our neighborhood safety, citizens' healthy, kids' future and the quality of life in the first place and seek the best interest of Milpitas residents not the special interest groups.

I strongly urge you to vote "NO" on cannabis issue. Thank you so much!

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Name Charles Mori

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

My name is Charles Mori.

As a 10 more years Milpitas resident, I would say don't use \$240K tax payer 's money for both sales and cannabis but rather spend the money on helping the workers, communities, and senior residents.

Please listen to staff recommendation and do not move forward with this issue.

Thank you.

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Name Mengya Jiang

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Comment

My name is Mengya and I live on [REDACTED]

Please don't waste \$240k tax payers money for both sales and cannabis tax measures but rather spend the money on helping the frontline workers, communities, and senior residents.

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Name Ningzhuo Cui

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035

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Comment

Strongly oppose legalization of cannabis sales. The negative impacts are too serious and outweighs the monetary return.

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Name Jen Lee

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

We already make the rule “no cannabis in Milpitas “, no need to raise again

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Name Aihua Zhu

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035

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Comment

As a citizen of Milpitas, I strongly oppose your introduction of the cannabis tax ballot measure.

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Name Yu Ping Zhao

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas Cat 95035

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Comment

I live in Milpitas over 31 years.

No commercial Marijuana in Milpitas.

We are strong against the commercial marijuana in Milpitas!

Thank you very much

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Name Ling Kong

Address: Milpitas

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Comment

Good Evening Councilmembers,

I kindly urge you to not rush any tax ballot measures without adequate outreach, as many families and businesses are still struggling with covid19.

Furthermore, our city's 2018 cannabis survey has shown that while there is support for tax, there was no majority support for businesses within city boundary.

Cannabis businesses remain a very contentious local issue across our county and state. 13 out of 15 cities in our county have opted to ban them, including those with voter-approved tax.

State legislators are still tweaking the cannabis regulation, including a tax overhaul.

In my opinion, it would be prudent for our city to defer an action until state regulation settles down and realistic cost and community impacts are understood.

Thank You for your consideration.

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Name Eric Schmidt

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, Ca 95035

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Comment

Milpitas needs the tax revenue from additional sources such as marijuana dispensaries. It's legalized in California, there was no reason for a "ban" with voting so close and the citizens voting yes, the council should not have voted against it.

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Name Simon Wang

Address: [REDACTED], Milpitas

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Comment

Do not agree start any form of the tax on weed sale. It will bring more issues than the revenue. However if use tax, that can be considered. (No sale in Milpitas but should be claiming on use tax)

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Name Nikolaus Lindberg

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

I, like many of the recreational and medical cannabis users living in Milpitas, was completely unaware of the previous city council meeting and vote in 2018 until reading about it after the fact in the Mercury News. As it stands now, it is extremely inconvenient for recreational and medical cannabis users living in Milpitas to obtain said cannabis. You have to leave town and goto San Jose or further. And if you can only go after work during rush hour, that can be a really long trip for something that should have and could have been done locally, in town. It also means the City of San Jose is collecting all the tax revenue of Milpitas recreational and medical cannabis users. Okay, maybe it's not all the City of San Jose. Probably some City of- Oakland, Berkeley, Santa Cruz, & San Francisco too. However I suspect the vast majority of it is going to the City of San Jose. It could be staying here. Infact not only could it be staying here, we'd probably be pulling in tax revenue from San Jose border dwellers, as well as Fremont residents that don't want to go all the way to San Jose. So please, I urge our council to give opportunity this next election to our towns voters to enact a city tax, and legalise cannabis dispensaries in Milpitas. Hell, while we're at it we should probably repeal our ridiculous anti-cultivation laws while we're at it too. It's just a plant.

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Name YANG LIAO

Address: [REDACTED], Milpitas, CA 95035

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Comment

No to cannabis in Milpitas. It will increase cannabis use in Milpitas for sure. I would not want my child to grow in a place surrounded by weed smell. The garbage smell is bad enough and Milpitas will be SMELLY CITY once if it we allows cannabis coming to Milpitas.

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Name Barry Or

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

My entire family has been living in Milpitas since 2003. We strongly oppose both Sales and Cannabis Tax Measures. Bringing Cannabis into Milpitas will definitely do more harm than good to Milpitas residents and neighborhood, especially irreversible damage to kids and teens.

Milpitas, our lovely city, will never be the same as soon as Cannabis is allowed here. There is no cure regardless how much Cannabis revenue you earned and spent to fix issues caused by Cannabis. Prevention is better than cure. We urge the Milpitas City Council and Mayor to say "No" to any Cannabis Tax Ballot measure.

Thanks you.

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Name guy haas

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035

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Comment

I support putting the matter of cannabis taxation to a vote in November -- both the matter of dispensaries/retail sales and the matter of assessing a cannabis tax.

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Name Gloria Ru

Address: [REDACTED] Fremont ca 94538

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Comment

No on marijuana in Milpitas

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Name Eva Lu

Address: Milpitas

Agenda Item: Public Forum

Comment

Please do not bring back cannabis business. There are a lot of evidence lots of cities lose operation money over the cannabis business.

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Name Tingna Xu

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas 95035

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Comment

My name is Tingna Xu. My address [REDACTED] Please vote No on Cannabis tax.

"Cannabis tax brings much net income to a city" is a myth. Most of the cities with legalized pot, if not all, do not have any meaningful net revenue.

Many local governments have net income from cannabis equal to one percent or less of the total budget, if not incurring losses.

Examples include many cities in the vicinity of Seattle.

This is attributed to the huge expenses in connection with the sales of cannabis including but not limited to creation and implementation of relevant new laws, increasing expenses on hospitals, medical professionals, and policemen, drug rehabilitation expenditures, administration costs, etc.

Costs related to the health care system and from high school dropouts are the largest cost items.

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Name SERGEY ODINTSOV

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas CA 95035

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Comment

I respectfully request our city council to vote "NO" on the cannabis tax ballot measure.

I strongly urge you to vote "NO" on the cannabis issue.

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Name Rozanne Chen

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, ca 95035

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Comment

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This questionable issue has been torture the local resident and split the community. Please don't let it happen again! Even state law allows doesn't mean it suitable for milpitas. Milpitas has majority non-smoking peoples and they wouldn't want to be victim of 2nd hand Cannabis smoke.

Also large article/ research and data has been provide to the city council during last time and please don't let people go through this second time again! It will create a great safety and health concern to our peaceful family town and potential seduce to our innocent kid and teenagers.

Also don't forgot the aftermath of what happens in Colorado. 1 of 4 high school student use marijuana and dramatically increase of other stronger drug use. Also for \$1 tax collected ( many black market emerge and make it's really hard to collect tax) but cost the city \$3.5 for clean up the problems caused such as extra security/sanity cost/rehab and medical cost etc.

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Name Wendy Zhang

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Comment

My name is wendy zhang. I live in Milpitas.

As a longtime Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure. Please vote "NO" on this issue.

I sincerely hope our mayor and city council members can put our neighborhood safety, citizens' healthy, kids' future and the quality of life in the first place and seek the best interest of Milpitas residents not the special interest groups. I strongly urge you to vote "NO" on cannabis issue. Thank you.

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Name Davis Huang

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Comment

As 7-year Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose both sales and Cannabis Tax Measures. Please do not rush into these tax measures while we are dealing with the covid pandemic. Thank you.

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Name Padma Subbaraya

Address: Milpitas

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Comment

Hello, I am on Milpitas resident for 21 years. I am extremely disappointed at the council that after the permanent ban on cannabis dispensaries in Milpitas, the topic bringing in sales tax revenues through cannabis sales measures is being discussed again to go on the ballot.

I do NOT support the tax measures going on the ballot. Please vote NO for both measures going on the ballot.

Padma

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Name Waiyee Lau

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

No cannabis in Milpitas permanently please, I don't want to see any cannabis store open in Milpitas, please keep our environment safe for the kids.

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Name Ming Jin

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, ca 95035

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Comment

No cannabis tax on Milpitas

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Name Olivia Zheng

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Comment

Please ban Cannabis forever in Milpitas for the sake of our children and community in the long run. Cannabis is bad for environment and people's health conditions.

From: win sf <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 8:09 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject:strongly against item 11

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Also don't forgot the aftermath of what happens in Colorado. 1 of 4 high school student use marijuana and dramatically increase of other stronger drug use. Also for \$1 tax collected ( many black market emerge and make it's really hard to collect tax) but cost the city \$3.5 for clean up the problems caused such as extra security/sanity cost/rehab and medical cost etc.

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Cindy Liu

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Name Erin Zhang

Address: [REDACTED] MILPITAS CA 95035

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

Dear council members,

Please remove item 11 from ballot. There shall not be any "potential" marijuana revenue in Milpitas. Therefore, no direction on revenue tax for marijuana business is necessary in Milpitas.

Erin Zhang

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Name jinlong zhang

Address: [REDACTED]

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Name Emma Fang

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Comment

I do not want to open cannbis to our city. It will bring more safety issues in Milpitas. Crime rate will increase dramatically.

In addition, our kids will be exposed to the air of marijuanna smoke. It bring the negative moral values for next generation.

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Name Ken Ng

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas

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Comment

The council had voted against it a while back, and why does Tran want to bring back to the city during this trying time. What change?

Mind you, I am not against medical marijuana usage, and we don't need any dispensary in our city as they can be easily obtained from SJ or surrounding cities less than a few miles away.

IMHO, here are some of the reasons we shouldn't have them here in our city:

1. It is not a tax revenue generator as pro-cannabis supporters had been advocating. Even as of today, the revenue that California generate to far short than what they projected from Prop64.
2. It is mainly a cash transaction business. There is no way it can be fully audited and it will attract illegal activities. As Mayor Tran said in the last voting, he doesn't like cash transaction business in his city.
3. It will cost more for the city to increase security. We would have to increase police forces. It might end up costing the tax payers money to have these business here.
4. Look the negative effect of vaping having on children with the easy access vape products. Similarly, when we have marijuana shops in our city, it will give them easy access to these products. They will get them in some way even if it is illegal for them to buy, please don't be so naïve.

Council members, I urge you, please do sell out our city for measly few tax revenue that cannabis are advocating for. Milpitas is a small family city and we don't have the structure and amenities to support them. Please do not let our Mayor to push this irresponsible agenda on the ballot.

Thanks

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Name Minjing Liu

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas

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Comment

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Name Frank W

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

I strongly object the allowing tax for cannabis.

Cannabis dispensary already being banned in city over year ago, and there is no point and lack of sufficient reasonable cause to revisit this topic at all.

Please keep the promise city council have made to residents, permanent ban cannabis at Milpitas. The definition of permanent is self evident.

Thanks,

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Name Cindy Liu

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Name Olivia Zheng

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Comment

No Cannabis for Milpitas! Please ban it forever!!!!!!

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Name Wiley Rankin

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035

Agenda Item: 7. Conduct a Public Hearing and Adopt a Resolution Approving the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Master Fee Schedule

Comment

Good evening Mayor Tran, City Council Members,

Thank you for receiving my comment.

Regarding the cost of reserving Augustine Park for the Sunnyhills Neighborhood Association's Annual Halloween event (which is Co-Sponsored by Dave Cortese and which promotes the Neighborhood Watch program and neighborhood safety), our cost was \$60 in 2009 and has risen to \$2100 in 2020.

How much value can we assess to the crimes and injuries that may well have prevented by these gatherings over the last decade?

As neighbors get to know each other, watch out for each other, and report suspicious activity, what is the value to the City of having a safer neighborhood, preventing robberies, and perhaps serious injuries?

I'd like to propose that this value be applied as an offset to the 3500% increase of the fees from 2009 to the present. That is not a typo. Fees have gone up by a factor of 35. This is a brutal environment for a small self funded nonprofit. With all due respect, if the City is trying to eliminate events like this, could you kindly tell us from the outset?

Thank you. It is an honor to communicate with you.

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Name Yen Wang

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

No cannabis business in Milpitas.

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Name Esther Tsang

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

SUBJECT: OPPOSING CANNABIS TAX BALLOT MEASURE

My name is Esther Tsang and has been a Milpitas resident for more than 14 years.

I want to express my strong opposition to the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure. Please vote "NO" on this issue.

As a Mayor and our honorable council members, you should put our neighborhood safety, citizens' healthy, kid's future and the quality of life in the first place and seek the best interest of Milpitas residents but not the special groups.

Bringing back cannabis tax open the step to bring back cannabis stores. This certainly will pose higher risk of exposure to school-aged children, increase youth addiction, increase crime rate! This will make our city to spend extra money to fix the aftermath and problems. The tax revenue comes from cannabis sales cannot compensate the negative impact on our city.

Please make right decision that benefit the future and wellbeing of Milpitas residents.

Please vote "NO" on this issue.

Thank you.

Esther Tsang

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Name SHENGSI GUO

Address: [REDACTED]

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

My name is SHENGSI GUO, I live on [REDACTED] MILPITAS, CA.

I am surprised to learn that while we, the residents and businesses in Milpitas, are coping with the Covid Pandemic, the city is considering adding more tax measures. It will cost the city about \$240k for these measures. And this money was not even in the city's 2020-2021 budget plan.

Please listen to staff recommendation and do not move forward with this issue. Thank you.

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Name Qing Zhang

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035

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Comment

No Marijuana

No Cannabis tax

Cannabis business (only cash) will increase crime rate in Milpitas including robbery and theft.

Marijuana will result in higher risk of exposure to second hand smoke for school students.

As a registered voter, I absolutely opposed this Cannabis tax.

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Name ChenYuan Chang

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

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Name Dung Ly

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

I oppose cannabis tax in Milpitas

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Name Paul Kwan

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

RE: Opposing cannabis tax ballot measure

My name is Paul Kwan, I live in Milpitas more than 12 years. I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure. Please vote "NO" on this issue.

I am surprised that Mayor and two City Council members proposed cannabis tax ballot measure. Do you recall how many Milpitas residents attended City Council meetings from Nov., 2018 to Jan., 2019 against pot shops in our small and beautiful city? I pretty sure you know that the majority of Milpitas oppose any cannabis shop in Milpitas.

About 15 months ago, all Milpitas City council members voted to permanent ban marijuana business in our city due to huge opposition of Milpitas residents. Mayor Tran promised not to push for cannabis business in our City. It is unacceptable that the ban has to be re-decided again now! What is the reason behind to make Mayor and Council members to change their mind in this short time of period? We really want Mayor Tran to keep his promise and all Council member stay firmed with their previous position.

I highly recommend our city council to vote "NO" on cannabis issue.

Thank you,

Paul Kwan

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Name Pik LAM

Address: [REDACTED]

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I oppose the cannabis tax measure in Milpitas

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Name Voltaire Montemayor

Address: [REDACTED]

Agenda Item: 7. Conduct a Public Hearing and Adopt a Resolution Approving the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Master Fee Schedule

Comment

The Mayor, and Members of the City Council; The City Manager, and Staff.

It is used to be, the Park Rentals except the application fees are waived in one motion of those or which are on the the Consent Calendars. I hope that the fee paid or deposited by the Sunnyhills Neighborhood Association (SNA) for the Rental of "Sunnyhills-Augustine" for the yearly Halloween Celebration for this year 2020 is regardless of the minimum amount allowed to be waived but the total Rental Fee. Thank You.

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Name Quain Piao

Address: [REDACTED] milpitas

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

No Cannabis tax on Milpitas.

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Name Ruenhua Lee

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

Please don't allow mariwanga get into out society!

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Name Choon Hoe Yeoh

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

NO! Strongly oppose cannabis tax measure now (agenda item #11)

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Name Julie W

Address: [REDACTED] military, CA 95035

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

Please say no on voting. Who propose this should move out Milpitas. Don't turn our hometown into a mess. If other city can leave without it, so do we!

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Name Kelly Chen

Address: [REDACTED]

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

Milpitas is such a great city with wonderful environment for raising families. I strongly oppose to collect marijuana tax or selling marijuana in the city of Milpitas.

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Name Yang Chen

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

We do not want marijuana in our city.

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Name Michael Jen

Address: [REDACTED]

Agenda Item: Public Forum

Comment

Dear Mayor Tran and Council Members ,

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Milpitas voters were stunned and upset when a permanent ban was placed on cannabis dispensaries and essentially handicapping Milpitas from collecting much needed tax revenue.

Approximately two years ago, Milpitas City Council members voted to ban the sale of marijuana in the city. The tax revenue generated by the neighboring city of San Jose totaled over THIRTEEN million dollars last year. A portion of which can from Milpitas residents. That money should remain in our community and benefit us.

Sincerely,

Michael Jen

[REDACTED]

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To: Council Meeting

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Name Ningyu Zhou

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

No cannabis shop in Milpitas!!!

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Name Cindy Ingram

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

My name is Cindy Ingram and I live at 1631 Conway St where I have resided since 1965. I think that a Tax Measure for Cannabis should be approved and move forward for a vote in November 2020. Whether someone uses marijuana for medicinal or recreational it is currently legal in California. Marijuana is widely used for anxiety and pain relief for people who do not want to take the dangerous drugs legally prescribed from a medical doctor. Please continue to keep the residents in Milpitas who overwhelmingly support a tax on cannabis in your mind when you vote instead of the very small group of "Milpitas" residents who would rather you submit to their demands by misinformation campaign and scare tactics and even using our current pandemic saying that marijuana use spreads Covid-19.

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Name Jesse Parrish

Address: Milpitas CA

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

Good Evening Council Members and Mayor Tran,

An election would be expensive, with pro-marijuana ads paid for by the marijuana industry bombarding our TVs and computers, making it even more likely that kids will think it is safe for them to use. The NLP (Neuro-Linguistics Programming) used in Ads will forever effect our Youth.

As our elected representatives, it is your responsibility to protect our Milpitas Family and most important the children of Our Milpitas Family.

This is not about the will of the people. It is about you taking action to protect the health of the community. Thank you.

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Name Jammie Schletzbaum

Address: [REDACTED]

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

As a ten year resident of Milpitas, I strongly support a tax measure that would bring revenue into Milpitas and I believe that taxing Cannabis would help alleviate some of the stress from COVID and help the community. We already know that people are smoking it and regulating it would help to ensure they are using it safely. It is legal in the State and is no more dangerous than alcohol or cigarettes and we sell those and get taxes from those. The tax money we could get from the sale, plus ensuring that the drug is sold safely in the area would be a win-win.

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Name Mikaila Parrish

Address: Milpitas CA

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

Good Evening My Name is Mikaila,

There are some kids in MHS that already engage in purchasing cannabis and damaging their minds and their health.

If you allow Cannabis tax in Milpitas your will allow for easy access to this drug which will damage more children's lives.

Did you know...

Vaping of cannabis is very popular in the schools everywhere. The national percentage of high school seniors that regularly vape cannabis doubled between 2018 and 2019. Now that students are home, the problem could be even worse. Making cannabis more easily accessible will only contribute to the problem, increasing the risk of Milpitas youth developing deadly lung diseases like EVALI, which led to at least 2,800 hospitalizations and 68 deaths. Medical experts are telling us that anything that weakens the lungs increases the risk of severe COVID-19 cases. Given this reality, allowing greater access to cannabis in Milpitas would be a mistake at any time, and especially now.

Do not BE the Cause of Children being Drug Addicts.

This is not a HARD Decision for tonight, Do what is Best for The YOUTH of Milpitas

Thank you

Mikaila

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Name Chiuru Chen

Address: [REDACTED] San Jose, CA95132

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

No, please do not allow this to be passed. It really will bring destruction to the city of Milpitas. Thank you for hearing us!

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Name Chunyan Pang

Address: [REDACTED] 95132

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

Please don't waste tax payers money for both sales and cannabis tax measures but on helping frontline workers. Thanks

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Name Madison Moreno

Address: Milpitas CA

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

Good Evening Council members and Mayor Tran,

As our elected representatives, it is your responsibility to protect our Milpitas Family and most important the children of Our Milpitas Family. Youth can not vote therefore we count on you to do what is best for our Youth! Sometimes Parents are not engaged in politics which means a lot of children will be effected by this and No one will take a stand for them. We need you to be in Integrity with what you promised during your campaign.

Our Youth are effected by easy access to drugs.

Did you know...

Last year, a TV station ran a test. They called seven different cannabis delivery services and had them deliver to a young-looking intern. Not a single one of the services asked for her I.D. as required by law –

one just pushed the cannabis through the mail slot without talking to anyone. Also, over a third of adult-only tobacco stores and vape shops sold to underage youth during a statewide youth decoy operation in 2018. Do we really expect cannabis stores to follow the law?

Please do what is right for our Youth.

Thank you

Madison

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Name peidong han

Address: [REDACTED] Hayward, CA94544

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Comment

From. Handong

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Name Sherlyn Wong

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

No marijuana sale tax in Milpitas!

The marijuana industry used enough electricity to power 32,355 homes in 2016.

Calls to Poison Control related to marijuana increased dramatically after the legalization of pot.

According to Colorado Christian University's study, for every dollar gained in cannabis tax revenue, Coloradans spent about \$4.5 to mitigate the effect of legalization.

Importantly, the calamitous consequences brought by marijuana in various aspects such as traffic fatalities, crime, youth consumption, etc. certainly outweigh the small gain, if any, from marijuana.

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Name Joe Sun

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

Dear Mayor and Council members,

Please don't proceed with the cannabis tax measure.

I have been living in Milpitas for 30 years, I really appreciate and enjoy the family friendly environment here. We have serious drug use problems among our youth already, please do not make it worse by introducing cannabis tax or sales. The healthily community should be your top priority, not money.  
Thank you!

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Name Amy Yan

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

I oppose the cannabis measure

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Name Mike

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Comment

Please do not approve marajuana sales tax.

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Name Betty Liao

Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment

Please keep our city clean! I do not want the cannabis tax issue to mislead our people. Please keep your promise that we decided two years ago for not to have cannabis stores or manufactory in Milpitas. Thank you!

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Name Faye Xia

Agenda Item: C4. Adopt a Resolution Approving the Annual Engineer's Report, and Adopt a Resolution Declaring the Intention to Levy and Collect Assessments for Fiscal Year 2020-21 for Landscaping and Lighting Maintenance Assessment District (LLMD) No. 95-1 (McCarthy Ranch), and Provide Notice of Public Hearing to be held on May 19, 2020 for LLMD No. 95-1 McCarthy Ranch

Comment

Opposition to the proposed cannahis tax ballot measure. No cannahis in our community.

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Name Hon Wong

Address: [REDACTED]

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

Hi

My name is hon and I am resident of Milpitas for many years.

Please vote No on the cannabis ballot as the council already decided to said "No" on it on 2018. Why waste money of 150K for 2 ballots , while city do not even have time to conduct the poll and measure from public. What a rush? Do we have hidden agenda here? Now is not the time as we are facing COVID 19 and the council should focus on how to help the people. It is not worth to get the max 1.3 mil while spending money on police, it is better off just increase the normal sale tax by 1/4 and get the 6-7 mil that city needed than making people to oppose this strong. It is no worth it. Don't waste the time here.

Thank you for your service Mayor and the council members.

Sincerely

Hon wong family

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Name Rebecca Sun

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

My name is Rebecca, I have been a resident of Milpitas for 18 years. You have been elected as mayor and city council members because we had faith that you would do the most and best in your ability preserve our safety and our family oriented community. As you hold this important position, I implore

you to listen to your staff members and your community for the sake of the future of Milpitas. We have already been over this issue before and it is extremely upsetting to see this issue arise once again. What happened to the ban on cannabis sales as a whole? What happened to bettering Milpitas? If you genuinely think passing this bill will better our Milpitas, I strongly, strongly urge you to reconsider the harmful implications of this measure.

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Name Nalin Zhou

Address: [REDACTED], San Jose, CA

Agenda Item: Public Forum

Comment

Opposition to the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure

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To: Council Meeting

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Name Rosalinda Jen

Address: [REDACTED]

Agenda Item: Public Forum

Comment

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Sincerely,

Rosalinda Jen

[REDACTED]

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Name Gary Ma

Address: [REDACTED] Milpitas

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I'm against proposed cannabis ballot tax measures

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Comment

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Name Joseph Ly

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Comment

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Name Tim Brennan

Address: [REDACTED]

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

I'm a Milpitas resident and I'm against putting the cannabis tax measure on November 2020 ballot due to concerns over increased crime and adolescents getting access to cannabis.

From: MachForm  
Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 7:09 PM  
To: Council Meeting  
Subject: City Council Meeting Public Comments

Thank you for your request! Someone will be in contact with you shortly

City Council Meeting - May 5, 2020 at 7PM.

Date May 05, 2020

Name Allyson McDonald

Address: [REDACTED]

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

On April 14 staff presented 3 options for new tax measures to pay for the replacement and/or rehabilitation of infrastructure. The options included a sales tax, a general obligation bond, and a parcel tax. I was disappointed in your focus on sales tax instead of a parcel tax. Sales taxes are regressive taxes, they disproportionately effect lower income families who pay a larger portion of their income on food, clothing and other goods. Bond measures are also regressive because they are applied uniformly regardless of property value. Of the three, a property tax is the least regressive option, yet it was not even considered. I think the majority of Milpitanians would support a property tax intended to improve public safety and services by funding infrastructure improvements such as the Police/Public Works building, Fire Stations, or Recreation buildings or a potential Performing Arts Center. If you are going to test the waters on the feasibility of passing a new tax, please include this less regressive option!

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City Council Meeting - May 5, 2020 at 7PM.

Date May 05, 2020

Name Qiong Zhou

Address: [REDACTED] San Jose CA95132

Agenda Item: C1. Receive City Council Calendar of Meetings for May 2020

Comment

Opposition to the proposed cannahis tax ballot measure. No cannahis in our community.

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To: Council Meeting  
Subject: City Council Meeting Public Comments

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City Council Meeting - May 5, 2020 at 7PM.

Date May 05, 2020

Name CHARLES SCHLETZBAUM

Address: [REDACTED]

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

Subject?: Comments for 05/05/2020 Tax Measures

My name is Charles. I live on [REDACTED]

As a 10 year Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly support this tax measure for the November ballot. I sincerely hope you allow registered voters in Milpitas to vote, and not be swayed by special interests backed by non-Milpitas citizens who bring in speakers from other cities to speak against our interests as a city. Milpitas voters FIRST. Thank you for your consideration.

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To: Council Meeting

Subject: City Council Meeting Public Comments

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City Council Meeting - May 5, 2020 at 7PM.

Date May 05, 2020

Name Xiaofan Zhang

Agenda Item: 11. Receive Report and Provide Direction on next steps regarding Potential Revenue Tax Measures to be placed on the Ballot for the November 3, 2020 General Election

Comment

Opposition to the proposed cannahis tax ballot measure. No cannahis in our community.

From: Finance Cina <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 6:11 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject:Dr. Li to Milpitas Council Members against cannabis tax measure 05052020.docx

Attachments: Dr. Li to Milpitas Council Members against cannabis tax measure 05052020.docx

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Hi,

I am forwarding Dr. Li's letter. Thanks for your attention.

Sue

Sent from my iPhone

From: Paul Kwan <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 4:16 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject:Comments for 5/5/20 Tax Measures

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My name is Paul. I live on [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035 for more than 10 years.

I sincerely hope our Mayor and City Council members can put our neighborhood safety, kids' future and the quality of life in the first place and seek the best interest of Milpitas residents.

Please vote "NO" on both tax measures.

Thanks

Paul

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From: Yuk Chan <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 3:41 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject:Comments for 5/5/2020 Tax Measures

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My name is Kit Tsang. I live at [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035.

I want to express my strong opposition to the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure.

Please vote "NO" on both sales and cannabis tax measures as it is not good to our city. Also, the city should not waste \$240K taxpayers' money to these tax measures while we are all dealing with the COVID-19 crisis.

Please do not rush into these tax measures.

Thank you,

Kit Tsang

From: esther tsang <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 3:14 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject:Comments for 5/5/2020 Tax Measures

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My name is Esther Tsang. I live on [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA95035.

I want to express my strong opposition to the cannabis tax ballot measure.

I am surprised to learn that while we are coping with the COVID-19, the city is considering adding more tax measures. It will cost the city

about \$240K for these measures. Please do not waste \$240K tax payers money for both sales and cannabis tax measures but rather spend the money on helping the frontline workers and senior residents.

Please do not move forward with this issue.

Thank you

Esther Tsang

From: Paul Kwan <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 3:02 PM

To: Council Meeting

Cc: Paul Kwan

Subject:Comments on 5/5/20 Tax Measures

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My name is Tuen Kwan. I live on [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA 95035

I am a Milpitas voter and live in Milpitas more than 12 years. I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose both sales and Cannabis Tax Measures. Please do not rush into these tax measures while we are dealing with the CoVID pandemic.

Thanks,

Tuen Kwan

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From: Jason Tam <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 2:29 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject: Public comment for 5/5/2020 opposing cannabis tax ballot measure

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My name is Jason Tam. I live in [REDACTED] Milpitas CA 95035

As a longtime 30 years Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure. Please vote "NO" on this issue.

I sincerely hope our mayor and city council members can put our neighborhood safety, citizens' healthy, kids' future and the quality of life in the first place and seek the best interest of Milpitas residents not the special interest groups. I strongly urge you to vote "NO" on cannabis issue. Thank you.

1.     marijuana will cause calamitous problems to the city especially in traffic accidents, crime, youth addiction, decrease in property value, etc
2.     it will inevitably lead to the issue of legalization of marijuana which is an easily addictive Category I Prohibited Drug pernicious to human beings especially the young people.
3.     In 2018, Milpitas City council members voted to ban marijuana in the city due to tenacious opposition of Milpitas citizens. Mayor Tran also promised not to push for cannabis due to numerous citizens' resolute rejection of marijuana.
4.     Cannabis tax revenue basically has not given rise to meaningful net revenue in other regions
5.     Milpitas is so well located in such a Convenient central location. Easy access to highway, BART, light rail, public transportation make it an ideal location for fast distribute Marijuana to nearby cities, company working force, teenagers and even kids etc.
6.     Crime rate increase including robbery and theft due to the cash-only cannabis business nature
7.     Potential rising number of Driving-under-influence (DUI) cases that has occurred in other cities with cannabis dispensaries
8.     Higher risk of exposure to second hand marijuana smoke for school-aged children
9.     Easier access to marijuana edibles/candies and drugs for youngsters and negative moral values for next generation
10.    City will spend lots of extra money to rehab and cure the aftermath and problems

I highly recommend our city council to vote "NO" on cannabis issue. Thank you.

From: Esther Hsieh <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 1:33 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject: Against Cannabis in Milpitas

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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

Shame on you trying to sneak the cannabis back to the city during such a time of pandemic. It hasn't been that long ago that we all voted against such a proposal; we are still on the watch. The city can find revenue from other places rather than sacrificing our youngsters or citizens.

No on cannabis in Milpitas!

Regards,

Esther Hsieh

From: Taching Wang <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 1:13 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject:[BULK] Opposing the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure

Importance: Low

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RE: Opposing the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure

Dear Mayor Tran and Council Members,

I strongly oppose to your introduction of the cannabis tax ballot measure. Please definitely stop pushing for this.

I thank you for City council's decision to ban marijuana in the city about two year ago. Which I believe is abusolutely good and necessary.

So please stop putting the cannabis tax measure on the ballot.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Taching Wang

From: Mike Lei <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 12:14 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject: Vote No to recreational marijuana in Milpitas/marijuana business sales tax measure

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Dear honorable Council Members,

Please vote "NO" to recreational marijuana in Milpitas.

Please vote "NO" to marijuana business sales tax measure.

Sincerely,

Mike Lei from Sunnyvale

From: Chia-Ling Kong <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 10:09 AM

To: Council Meeting

Cc: Mary Lavelle

Subject: [BULK] Oppose Cannabis Tax on Ballot

Attachments: MilpitasMay5comment.mp4

Importance: Low

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Please accept my public comment in video format as attached.

From: benson chan <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 7:59 AM  
To: Council Meeting  
Subject: Public comment for 5/5/2020 opposing cannabis tax ballot measure

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My name is Benson Chan. I live in [REDACTED] Milpitas CA 95035.

I respectfully request our city council to vote "NO" on the cannabis tax ballot measure. Bring back cannabis tax is the first step to bring back cannabis revenue to open cannabis stores:

(pick a few items below that you concern)

1. marijuana will cause calamitous problems to the city especially in traffic accidents, crime, youth addiction, decrease in property value, etc

2. In 2018, Milpitas City council members voted to ban marijuana in the city due to tenacious opposition of Milpitas citizens. Mayor Tran also promised not to push for cannabis due to numerous citizens' resolute rejection of marijuana.

Repeating bring back the old rejecting issues let people think the city council has nothing to do and just wasting tax payer money.

3. Cannabis tax revenue basically has not given rise to meaningful net revenue in other regions
4. Milpitas is so well located in such a Convenient central location. Easy access to highway, BART, light rail, public transportation make it an ideal location for fast distribute Marijuana to nearby cities, company working force, teenagers and even kids etc.
5. Crime rate increase including robbery and theft due to the cash-only cannabis business nature
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7. Higher risk of exposure to second hand marijuana smoke for school-aged children
8. Easier access to marijuana edibles/candies and drugs for youngsters and negative moral values for next generation
9. City will spend lots of extra money to rehab and cure the aftermath and problems

I highly recommend our city council to vote "NO" on cannabis issue.

Thank you.

From: benson chan <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 7:44 AM

To: Council Meeting

Subject: opposing cannabis tax ballot measure

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My name is Benson Chan. I live in [REDACTED] Milpitas CA 95035

As a 38 years Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure. Please vote "NO" on this issue.

I sincerely hope our mayor and city council members can put our neighborhood safety, citizens' healthy, kids' future and the quality of life in the first place and seek the best interest of Milpitas residents not the special interest groups. I strongly urge you to vote "NO" on cannabis issue.

Thank you.

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From: Galina Odintsova <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 10:56 PM

To: Council Meeting; Rich Tran; Bob Nuñez; Karina Dominguez; Anthony Phan; Carmen Montano; Steven McHarris

Subject:[BULK] "No" to the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure

Importance: Low

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My name is Galina Odintsova.

I live in [REDACTED] Milpitas CA 95035.

As a 4 years Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure. Please vote "NO" on this issue.

I sincerely hope our mayor and city council members can put our neighborhood safety, citizens' healthy, kids' future and the quality of life in the first place and seek the best interest of Milpitas residents not the special interest groups. I strongly urge you to vote "NO" on cannabis issue.

I respectfully request our city council to vote "NO" on the cannabis tax ballot measure. Bring back cannabis tax is the first step to bring back cannabis revenue to open cannabis stores:

In 2018, Milpitas City council members voted to ban marijuana in the city due to tenacious opposition of Milpitas citizens. Mayor Tran also promised not to push for cannabis due to numerous citizens' resolute rejection of marijuana.

Crime rate increase including robbery and theft due to the cash-only cannabis business nature

Potential rising number of Driving-under-influence (DUI) cases that has occurred in other cities with cannabis dispensaries

Higher risk of exposure to second hand marijuana smoke for school-aged children

Easier access to marijuana edibles/candies and drugs for youngsters and negative moral values for next generation

City will spend lots of extra money to rehab and cure the aftermath and problems

I highly recommend our city council to vote "NO" on cannabis issue.

Sincerely,

Galina Odintsova

From: yiting yan <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 3:27 PM

To: Rich Tran; Bob Nuñez; Carmen Montano; Karina Dominguez; Anthony Phan; Council Meeting

Cc: Rich Tran; Bob Nuñez; Carmen Montano; Karina Dominguez; Anthony Phan; Mary Lavelle

Subject:Vote No on cannabis tax measure.

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Honorable Milpitas mayor Tran,

2018 Milpitas city council 5 out 5 voted Yes on completely banning permitting commercialization of cannabis in Milpitas. You were one of them. Appreciate your yes vote.

Now the new city council has a new proposal to bring commerical cannabis back to our community. The online city council meeting has been scheduled on May 5, 2020

I know that the cannabis tax measure is not about money collection. It is the first step of selling cannabis in my neighborhood.

I, as a longtime Milpitas resident, want to keep my neighborhood safe, keep my kids away from being ruined by drugs, and don't want drug addicts hangout in my neighborhood, please vote NO on cannabis tax measure.

Thank you for being a good mayor of listening your voters voice.

Thank you.

City council email:

[rtran@ci.milpitas.ca.gov](mailto:rtran@ci.milpitas.ca.gov)

bnunez@ci.milpitas.ca.gov

cmontano@ci.milpitas.ca.gov

kdominguez@ci.milpitas.ca.gov

aphan@ci.milpitas.ca.gov

City clerk:

mlavelle@ci.milpitas.ca.gov

Yiting Christine Yan [REDACTED]

From: George Anil <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 2:58 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject: My vote - NO - on new proposed tax bill being discussed on May 5 City council meeting.

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Respected City Council,

My name is Anil Aranjany living at [REDACTED] Milpitas, CA - 95035. I am Milpitas Resident from 2013 and was happy to see the good things going on. I think we have a good environment since Milpitas citizens are well educated and care about their family and society.

I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose New Tax being proposed by City. Kindly apply my vote "NO" on putting Tax Measures on 2020 ballot.

I would really appreciate if city issue a permanent ban on Cannabis business in Milpitas.

Thank You

Anil Aranjany

From: Christopher York <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 1:52 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject: NO new taxes please!

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Please do not vote for ANY new taxes. We are already taxed to the point people want to leave California. Will government every be satisfied? Government, like individuals, needs to learn to budget with what they have.

Chris York

[REDACTED]

Milpitas, CA 95035

From: Howard Chong <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 1:23 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject:[BULK] Nov 2020 ballot

Importance: Low

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Hello Milpitas City Council,

I am against both of these ballot measures. Do not spend \$240k on these new ballot measures.

1. 0.25% sales tax increase
2. cannabis business tax (2-6 retailers)

Thank you,

Howard

From: Nishant Dhumane <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 1:21 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject: Public comment for 05/05/2020 Tax Measures

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To Milpitas City Council Meeting Memebers,

I've in the [REDACTED] in Milpitas. I've been a Milpitas city resident for over 6 years now. I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose Tax . Please vote "NO" on putting Tax Measures on 2020 ballot.

Regards,

Nishant Dhumane

From: Minh Le <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 1:06 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject:Oppose New City Taxes

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?Dear City Councils and Mayor,

How could you try to pass new taxes during a time of crisis like this without conducting a community survey?

Minh Le, resident at

[REDACTED]

Milpitas, CA 95035

Sent from my iPhone

From: Poonam Singh <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 1:02 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject:[BULK] New city taxes on 2020 ballot

Importance: Low

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My name is Poonam Singh. I live on [REDACTED] Milpitas.

As a 16 years) Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose Tax . Please vote "NO" on putting Tax Measures on 2020 ballot

Thanks,

Poonam

From: xin xin <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2020 10:33 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject: RE: Opposing the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure

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April 29, 2020

Mayor Richard Tran & Council Members

City of Milpitas

455 E. Calaveras Blvd

Milpitas, CA 95035

Dear Mayor Tran and Council Members,

As a citizen of Milpitas, I strongly oppose to your introduction of the cannabis tax ballot measure. Please definitely stop pushing for this. Otherwise, in the upcoming election, I will not vote for any of you who push irresponsibly for the above-mentioned ballot measure and will reject it too.

Milpitas voters are stunned and upset by this ballot measure since, if approved, it will inevitably lead to the issue of legalization of marijuana which is an easily addictive Category I Prohibited Drug pernicious to human beings especially the young people. It is beyond doubt that marijuana will cause calamitous problems to the city especially in traffic accidents, crime, youth addiction, decrease in property value, etc., and even U.S. Surgeon General has come out to warn against it!

About two years ago, Milpitas City council members voted to ban marijuana in the city due to tenacious opposition of Milpitas citizens. Mayor Tran also promised not to push for cannabis due to numerous citizens' resolute rejection of marijuana. It is incomprehensible and unacceptable that the ban has to be re-decided again now! We are outraged by Mayor Tran's not keeping this pivotal promise and Council Member Phan's relentless efforts for pot!

Cannabis tax revenue basically has not given rise to meaningful net revenue in other regions, and you actually voted against the tax more than two years ago. Why are you proposing marijuana tax now against the will of Milpitas citizens?

Any council member/mayor pushing for cannabis will cause most, if not all, of the Milpitas voters to oust you in the upcoming election in addition to blocking this ballot measure. Please note that a large number of your supporters will not support you any more if you insist on this! Please be sagacious and make the right decision now. That is stop putting the cannabis tax measure on the ballot, for yourselves and all the citizens. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Xin Xin, [REDACTED]

From: Rich Tran  
Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2020 10:27 PM  
To: Sergio Odintsov  
Cc: Council Meeting; Bob Nuñez; Karina Dominguez; Anthony Phan; Carmen Montano; Steven McHarris  
Subject: Re: Public comment for 5/5/2020 opposing cannabis tax ballot measure

Received, thank you for your concerns.

Mayor Rich Tran

On Apr 29, 2020, at 5:14 PM, Sergio Odintsov <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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My name is Sergey Odintsov.

I live in [REDACTED] Milpitas CA 95035.

As a 4 years Milpitas resident, I would like to express that my entire family strongly oppose the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure. Please vote "NO" on this issue.

I sincerely hope our mayor and city council members can put our neighborhood safety, citizens' healthy, kids' future and the quality of life in the first place and seek the best interest of Milpitas residents not the special interest groups. I strongly urge you to vote "NO" on cannabis issue.

I respectfully request our city council to vote "NO" on the cannabis tax ballot measure. Bring back cannabis tax is the first step to bring back cannabis revenue to open cannabis stores:

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6. City will spend lots of extra money to rehab and cure the aftermath and problems

I highly recommend our city council to vote "NO" on cannabis issue.

Thank you.

Sergey Odintsov

From: Jen Lee <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2020 9:25 PM

To: Council Meeting

Subject:[BULK] Opposing the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure

Importance: Low

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Dear City Councils,

As a citizen of Milpitas, I strongly oppose to your introduction of the cannabis tax ballot measure. Please definitely stop pushing for this. Otherwise, in the upcoming election, I will not vote for any of you who push irresponsibly for the above-mentioned ballot measure and will reject it too.

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to human beings especially the young people. It is beyond doubt that marijuana will cause calamitous problems to the city especially in traffic accidents, crime, youth addiction, decrease in property value, etc., and even U.S. Surgeon General has come out to warn against it!

About two years ago, Milpitas City council members voted to ban marijuana in the city due to tenacious opposition of Milpitas citizens. Mayor Tran also promised not to push for cannabis due to numerous citizens' resolute rejection of marijuana. It is incomprehensible and unacceptable that the ban has to be re-decided again now! We are outraged by Mayor Tran's not keeping this pivotal promise and Council Member Phan's relentless efforts for pot!

Cannabis tax revenue basically has not given rise to meaningful net revenue in other regions, and you actually voted against the tax more than two years ago. Why are you proposing marijuana tax now against the will of Milpitas citizens?

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Sincerely,

Jen H Lee

[REDACTED] Milpitas, CA.95035

From: Sophia <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2020 4:37 PM  
To: Council Meeting  
Subject: Opposing the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure

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Sincerely,

Sophia L.

From: Sergio Odintsov <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2020 3:31 PM  
To: Council Meeting; Rich Tran; Bob Nuñez; Karina Dominguez; Anthony Phan; Carmen Montano; Steven McHarris  
Subject: Public comment for 5/5/2020 opposing cannabis tax ballot measure

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My name is Sergey Odintsov.

I live in [REDACTED] Milpitas CA 95035.

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I highly recommend our city council to vote "NO" on cannabis issue.

Thank you.

Sergey Odintsov

From: Tingna Xu <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Wednesday, April 29, 2020 3:10 PM  
To: Council Meeting  
Subject: Opposing the proposed cannabis tax ballot measure

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[REDACTED] Milpitas

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