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Local Measure HH is on your November 8th Ballot

Dear Neighbor:

On July 19th, the Fountain Valley City Council voted to place Measure HH on the November 2016 ballot. If enacted by Fountain Valley voters, Measure HH would provide our City with funding to maintain community services such as police and fire, including keeping both of the current Fountain Valley fire stations open and paying off over \$110 million of debt.

The State of California has taken approximately \$100,000,000 of Fountain Valley's money – causing reductions to the services our residents rely on. Measure HH was placed on the ballot to provide a reliable source of locally-controlled funding that can't be taken by Sacramento. The official ballot question reads as follows:

Fountain Valley 911 Response Police - Fire / Essential City Services Measure	
To maintain 911 emergency response times, fire stations, police officers/firefighters/paramedics, anti-gang/drug programs, after school, senior programs; upgrade first responder disaster communication; repair storm water systems to prevent flooding, streets/potholes/parks; other general city services, shall the City of Fountain Valley establish a one-cent sales tax providing \$11.5 million annually for twenty year term, requiring public disclosure of expenditures, independent audits, all funds only for Fountain Valley.	
YES	NO

For official information about the Fountain Valley Measure, visit www.fountainvalley.org. For information about how to vote, contact the Fountain Valley City Clerk's Office at 714-593-4445 or the Orange County Registrar of Voters at www.ocvote.com.

Thank you. Please remember that there are local measures on your November ballot, and make an informed decision before you vote.

Sincerely,

Bob Hall, City Manager

Daniel Llorens, Police Chief

Tony Coppolino, Fire Chief

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OFFICIAL MEASURE HH IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS (excerpted)

On July 19, 2016, the City Council placed Measure HH, the Fountain Valley 911 Response Police-Fire/Essential City Services Measure, on the November 8, 2016 ballot. If approved by a majority of Fountain Valley voters, this Measure would authorize a one-cent (1.0%) transactions and use (i.e. “sales”) tax within the City of Fountain Valley. Measure HH is intended to prevent significant cuts to general City services such as 911, police, and fire services; after-school recreation and gang prevention programs; street, pothole, and storm water system repairs; and business attraction/job creation programs, resulting from revenue shortfalls caused by recent economic factors....

...If approved, the sales tax would become effective on April 1, 2017.... By law, all revenues raised by the Measure would belong to the City of Fountain Valley and could not be taken by, or shared with, the State or any other agency.

By placing Measure HH on the ballot, the City complies with Proposition 218, which requires a majority of the voters to approve a general tax.

A “yes” vote on Measure HH will authorize the sales tax

A “no” vote on Measure HH will not authorize the sales tax

— **Colin Burns**, Attorney for the City of Fountain Valley

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure HH. If you desire a copy of the Ordinance or Measure, please call the election official’s office at (714) 593-4410 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

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