

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE G

A "YES" vote on Measure G increases the property transfer tax from \$3.30 to \$15.00 per \$1,000 of the sales price only for properties sold for \$6 million or more, leaving the transfer tax on properties sold for less than \$6 million unchanged.

The revenue generated from this measure will primarily be used to replace, maintain, and expand the city's infrastructure and services. The city must replace the seismically unsound Public Safety building, repair deteriorating and unsafe roads, and mitigate the impacts of climate change. Importantly, as the city grows and changes, there is a need to expand infrastructure and services including the number of parks, bike lanes and trails, local business support, and affordable housing that transitions homeless people out of streets, creeks and parks, to name a few.

The City of Mountain View needs additional revenue for a few reasons. Some revenue sources for the city including the business license tax, gasoline sales tax, and sales tax have declined or stayed flat, while many costs continue to significantly increase.

Measure G was developed with significant community input in terms of the source of the additional revenue as well as the priorities for spending the additional revenue. As a general tax with revenue going into the city's general fund, the city and the community will be able to adjust the spending priorities over time in response to changing circumstances and priorities. Independent audits will be performed on a regular basis to ensure transparency.

This measure is supported by a diverse group of residents and community leaders. Vote Yes on Measure G to support the Mountain View of tomorrow.

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