TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY TOWN ATTORNEY'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE "P" 1% TRANSACTIONS AND USE (SALES) TAX

On July 23, 2024, the Town Council unanimously voted to place Measure "P" on the November 5, 2024 general municipal election ballot. By placing Measure "P" on the ballot, the Town complies with Article XIII C of the California Constitution (Proposition 218), which requires a majority of the voters to approve an ordinance that establishes a general tax.

If approved by a majority of Apple Valley voters, this Measure would authorize a one percent (1%) retail transactions and use (sales) tax within the Town of Apple Valley. A one percent (1%) rate equates to an extra \$1 per \$100 purchased. It is estimated that Measure "P" will provide an additional \$9,000,000 in annual local funding that could be used for maintaining general Town services such as law enforcement; street, pothole and sidewalk repair; homelessness programs; retaining local businesses; and cleaning and maintaining public parks and other areas. This tax would be a "general tax," meaning that revenues raised from the tax would go into the Town's general fund to pay for any lawful Town program, improvement, or service.

California Revenue and Taxation Code section 7285.9 authorizes the Town to levy a general transactions and use/sales tax at a rate of one percent (1%) so long as the tax is approved by a majority of the voters voting in an election on that issue. If approved, the tax would remain in effect until ended by Apple Valley voters voting at a subsequent election.

The tax would be paid in addition to current sales taxes and would be collected at the same time and in the same manner as existing sales taxes. All revenues raised by the tax would remain in the Town and would not be shared with the State, County or any other agency.

A "yes" vote on Measure "P" will authorize the 1% transactions and use (sales) tax.

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A "no" vote on Measure "P" will not authorize the 1% transactions and use (sales) tax.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure "P". If you desire a copy of the Measure, please call the Town's elections official at (760) 240-7000 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

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