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MEASURE W PUTS ONTARIO TAXPAYERS AT RISK

Measure W is not a reform; it's a costly, unnecessary scheme supported by a single, out-of-town special interest group that threatens Ontario's economy, public safety, and working families. The City's fiscal analysis confirms that Measure W would reduce tax revenue, and studies of similar measures in other cities have warned of millions in losses for taxpayers. That revenue funds essential services like police, firefighters, road maintenance, parks, and libraries. When funding decreases, taxes increase, or services are cut.

MEASURE W DESTROYS GOOD, FAMILY-SUPPORTING JOBS

Ontario relies on economic development projects that support construction jobs, many of which are union positions that offer living wages and benefits. Measure W adds delays, uncertainty, and costly elections to individual projects, making Ontario a riskier place to invest. Ontario families can't afford to lose these jobs.

MEASURE W HURTS ECONOMIC GROWTH AND SMALL BUSINESSES

By adding unnecessary bureaucracy onto an already thorough approval process, Measure W slows economic growth and discourages investment. That hurts all businesses, including local restaurants and retailers that rely on a strong economy.

MEASURE W UNDERMINES LOCAL GOVERNANCE

Ontario already has strong planning, environmental review, and public input requirements. Projects are reviewed over the years and approved by elected officials accountable to voters. Measure W overrides those decisions and replaces responsible governance with gridlock and uncertainty.

ONTARIO CANNOT AFFORD MEASURE W

Ontario needs stable city revenue, good jobs, and safe neighborhoods, but Measure W puts all that at risk. Measure W creates real harm with no real benefit. Vote NO on Measure W.

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