

## Argument Against Measure L

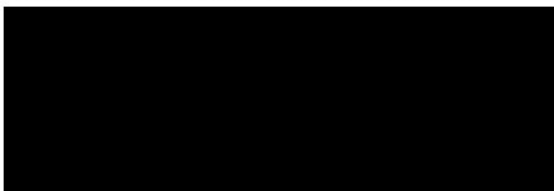
With record high inflation and gasoline prices, hardworking families and senior citizens living on fixed incomes cannot afford a City-imposed sales tax increase. The Federal Reserve Chairman recently said grocery shoppers find their budgets no longer cover their usual shopping list. Inflationary cost of living increases have forced people to cut back spending. Residents struggle to make ends meet to pay their bills.

According to economists, we are heading into a recession of unknown severity or duration. Yet a tone deaf City Council approved the sales tax increase ballot initiative. Now is not the time to raise taxes. VOTE NO.

The recently approved Police Department budget has increased 57.7% over the last decade and budgeted staffing levels increased from 104 to 115 excluding animal control staffing. The overwhelming majority of 911 emergency calls are for medical assistance handled by AMR Ambulance Service and the Fire Department - not the Police Department.

Over the last 22 years the City has been through various budget shortfalls and budget cuts. During that time, resident-driven financial workout plans and workshops forced City Councils that represent you to take actions to improve operating efficiencies and reduce costs. Outsourcing the Fire Department to the County worked out well. Other recommendations were never considered by the current City Manager or City Council. There are still options to reduce costs. The City has remained solvent and will continue to do so.

Now residents are struggling to figure out how to pay their monthly living expenses during record inflation, high gas prices, costly groceries, increased electricity costs, increased water rates, trash rates, in a looming recession and economic uncertainty. Now is not the time for the City to increase sales taxes. VOTE NO on Measure L!



### STATEMENT BY PROPONENTS/AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS

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The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the:

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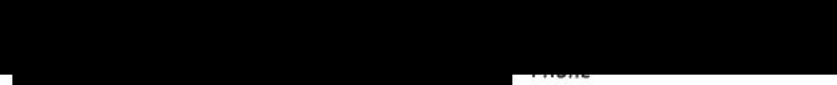
ballot measure L at the November 2022 Statewide General election for the  
*Measure Letter Title of Election*

City of Upland in San Bernardino County to be held on November 8 2022 hereby state that this  
*Jurisdiction Date of Election*

argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.  
*his/her/their*

**Proponents/Authors:**

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FORMER COUNCIL MEMBER   
*Title*

2. LAWRENCE KINLEY  8-15-22  
*Print Name Signature Date*

PRAYER TREASURER   
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