RESOLUTION NO. 6684

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UPLAND, CALIFORNIA CALLING FOR THE PLACEMENT OF A GENERAL TAX MEASURE — KNOWN AS THE UPLAND PUBLIC SAFETY AND CITY SERVICES MEASURE — ON THE BALLOT FOR THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT A GENERAL TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX (SALES TAX) AT THE RATE OF ONE CENT (1¢)

WHEREAS, Upland desires to keep the city safe, clean, and well-maintained, to help protect local property values and keep Upland a special place to live; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Upland ("City") is authorized to levy a Transactions and Use Tax ("sales tax") for general purposes pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code section 7285.9, subject to approval by a majority vote of the electorate pursuant to Article XIII C, section 2 of the California Constitution ("Proposition 218"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Elections Code section 9222, the City Council has authority to place local measures on the ballot to be considered at a Municipal Election; and

WHEREAS, the City Council would like to submit to the voters at the November 8, 2022 General Municipal Election a measure enacting a general sales tax at a rate of one cent (1¢) on the sale and/or use of all tangible personal property sold at retail in the City until it is ended by voters, as more specifically set forth in the attached proposed ordinance adding Chapter 3.06 to Title 3 of the City's Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, the one cent (1¢) sales tax is a general tax, the revenue of which will be placed in the City's general fund and will be used to pay for important general City services; and

WHEREAS, the locally controlled funding this measure would provide is needed to keep up with basic repairs and maintenance to public facilities, water infrastructure, storm drains, streets, and sidewalks, which will be a lot more expensive to repair in the future if not addressed now, and

WHEREAS, this measure will provide additional general funding that could be used to increase the number of police officers to respond to local 9-1-1 emergency calls; and

WHEREAS, the measure as written provides strict accountability requirements including independent citizen oversight, annual audits, and public disclosure of how all funds are spent, and

WHEREAS, without this measure, Upland will not have the local funds to address basic local services that residents have indicated are important, including maintaining local streets and alleys, repairing potholes, providing quick responses to

- 9-1-1 emergencies, reducing gang activity and drug-related crimes, providing police services including neighborhood police patrols and crime investigations, maintaining parks, cleaning up piles of trash and litter that people dump along streets, sidewalks, and in public areas, and addressing homelessness, and
- **WHEREAS,** on November 6, 1996, the voters of the State of California approved Proposition 218, an amendment to the State Constitution which requires that all general taxes which are imposed, extended or increased must be submitted to the electorate and approved by a majority vote of the qualified electors voting in the election; and
- **WHEREAS,** pursuant to Proposition 218 (California Constitution, Article XIII C, \S 2(b)), the general rule is that any local election for the approval of an increase to a general tax must be consolidated with a regularly scheduled general election for members of the governing body of the local government; and
- **WHEREAS,** the next regularly scheduled general election at which City Council members are to be elected is November 8, 2022; and
- **WHEREAS,** pursuant to Government Code section 53724 ("Proposition 62") and Revenue and Taxation Code section 7285.9, a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members of the City Council is required to place the Measure on the November 8, 2022 ballot; and
- **WHEREAS,** the ordinance to be considered by the qualified voters and the terms of approval, collection and use of the general sales tax are described and provided for in the ordinance/measure attached hereto as Exhibit "A" (the "Measure") and by this reference made an operative part hereof, in accordance with all applicable laws.
- **NOW, THEREFORE,** the City Council of the City of Upland hereby finds, determines and resolves as follows:
- **Section 1**. Incorporation of Recitals. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated and made an operative part of this Resolution.
- **Section 2**. Submission of Ballot Measure. Pursuant to California Elections Code section 9222, Government Code section 53724, Revenue and Taxation Code section 7285.9 and any other applicable requirements of the laws of the State of California relating to the City, the City Council, **by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members**, hereby orders the Measure to be submitted to the voters of the City at the General Municipal Election to be held on **Tuesday, November 8, 2022**.
- **Section 3.** The City Council, pursuant to California Elections Code section 9222, hereby orders that the Measure shall be presented and printed upon the ballot submitted to the qualified voters in the manner and form set forth in this Section 3. On the ballot to be submitted to the qualified voters at the General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, in addition to any other matters required by law, there shall be printed substantially the following ballot question:

"Upland Public Safety and City Services Measure	YES
To maintain and prevent cuts to City of Upland services, such as 9-1-1 emergency response, police staff, patrols and public	
safety, gang and crime prevention programs, addressing homelessness, and maintenance of streets, sidewalks, parks	NO
and infrastructure, shall the measure establishing a 1¢ sales tax be adopted, providing approximately \$16,000,000	
annually for general city services until ended by voters, with citizen oversight, independent financial audits and disclosure, and money controlled locally?"	

Section 4. Conduct of Election. The City Clerk is authorized, instructed, and directed to procure and furnish any and all official ballots, printed matter and all supplies, equipment and paraphernalia that may be necessary in order to properly and lawfully conduct the election. In all particulars not recited in this Resolution, the election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections.

Section 5. Pursuant to Elections Code section 9280, the City Council hereby directs the City Clerk to transmit a copy of the Measure to the City Attorney. The City Attorney shall prepare an impartial analysis of the Measure, not to exceed 500 words in length, showing the effect of the Measure on the existing law and the operation of the Measure, and transmit such impartial analysis to the City Clerk not later than the deadline for submittal of primary arguments for or against the Measure. The City Council directs that arguments for and against the measure may be filed in accordance with applicable law, and that neither City Council as a body or any individual member of Council is directed to file a written argument or any rebuttal argument for or against the measure.

The impartial analysis shall include a statement indicating whether the Measure was placed on the ballot by a petition signed by the requisite number of voters or by the City Council. In the event the entire text of the Measure is not printed on the ballot, nor in the voter information guide, there shall be printed immediately below the impartial analysis, in no less than 10-font bold type, the following: "The above statement is an impartial analysis of Ordinance or Measure _____. If you desire a copy of the ordinance or measure, please call the Office of the City Clerk at (909) 931-4120 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you."

Section 6. Notice of the election is hereby given and the City Clerk is authorized, instructed, and directed to give further or additional notice of the election, in time, form and manner as required by law.

Section 7. Placement on the Ballot. The full text of the Measure shall not be printed in the voter information guide. A statement shall be printed on the ballot pursuant to Elections Code section 9223 advising voters that they may obtain a copy of this Resolution and the Measure, at no cost, upon request made to the City Clerk.

Section 8. Filing with County. The City Clerk shall, not later than the 88th day prior to the General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, file with the Board of Supervisors and the County Clerk – Registrar of Voters of the County of San Bernardino, State of California, a certified copy of this Resolution.

Section 9. Public Examination. Pursuant to Elections Code section 9295, this Measure will be available for public examination for no fewer than ten (10) calendar days prior to being submitted for printing in the voter information guide. The City Clerk shall post notice in the Clerk's office of the specific dates that the examination period will run.

Section 10. The City Council hereby finds and determines that the Measure relates to organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment, and therefore is not a project within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") and the State CEQA Guidelines, section 15378(b)(5).

Section 11. Severability. The provisions of this Resolution are severable and if any provision of this Resolution is held invalid, that provision shall be severed from the Resolution and the remainder of this Resolution shall continue in full force and effect, and not be affected by such invalidity.

Section 12. This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

Section 13. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 8th day of August, 2022.

Bill Velto, Mayor

I, Keri Johnson, City Clerk of the City of Upland, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 8th day of August, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:

Mayor Velto, Councilmembers Maust, Elliott, Garcia, Zuniga

NOES:

None

ABSENT: No

None

ABSTAINED: None

ATTEST:

Keri Johnson, City Clerk