

TOWN ATTORNEY'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY'S HOTEL /
SHORT-TERM VACATION RENTAL TAX MEASURE

The Town Council has placed Measure K on the ballot ("Measure"). If approved, the Measure will amend the Town's existing Transient Occupancy Tax Ordinance ("TOT Ordinance") to adjust the tax rate under the TOT Ordinance.

The existing TOT Ordinance includes a tax on individuals staying in hotels, short-term vacation rentals, or other lodging for thirty (30) consecutive days or less. The current tax rate is 7% of the rental amount.

If approved, the Measure would amend the existing TOT Ordinance to adjust the tax rate to 12% of the rental amount. It is estimated that this proposed adjustment to the tax rate would provide the Town with an additional \$1,300,000 per year for general government use. The funds collected through the TOT Ordinance could be used by the Town for general services such as police patrols and 911 emergency response, short-term vacation rental compliance monitoring, gang and crime prevention, street maintenance, traffic management, maintaining and keeping parks and other Town facilities safe and clean, supporting fire protection, and affordable housing. The tax would continue until ended by the voters.

Since the TOT Ordinance is a general tax, this Measure requires a majority of "Yes" votes to take effect.

A "Yes" vote is a vote in favor of the Measure. If the Measure is approved, the tax rate paid by individuals staying in hotels, short-term vacation rentals, or other short-term lodging under the TOT Ordinance would be adjusted to 12%.

A "No" vote is a vote against the Measure. If the Measure is not approved, the tax rate paid by individuals staying in hotels, short-term vacation rentals, or other short-term lodging under the TOT Ordinance would remain at the current rate of 7%.

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The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure K. The full text of Measure K is printed in the Voter's Information Pamphlet and is also available on the Town's website at: www.yucca-valley.org/measure-k. If you desire a copy of the Measure, please call the Town Clerk's office at (760) 369-7209 x226 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

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