

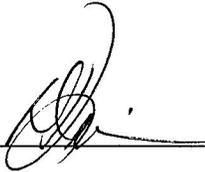
City of Stockton; General Election 2016

ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE M

Do you have the appetite for another sales tax after approving Measure A, a three-quarter-cent hike to 9 percent in 2013? City Hall promised to use Measure A revenues to “restore city services” that were cut during bankruptcy; services which already include library, recreation and youth programs.

As one who sits on the citizen’s commission that oversees Measure A, I know that we are still in the early stages of restoring city services and difficult choices remain regarding affordability and funding priorities. But to avoid another financial meltdown, we must adhere to our post-bankruptcy budget plan. To approve a new tax now is to consent to the same fiscal irresponsibility that caused Stockton’s nosedive into bankruptcy. No new taxes should be approved until we are satisfied City Hall can responsibly manage the existing ones.

Vote NO on Measure M
David L. Renison



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