

## RESOLUTION 6862

### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEAL BEACH ENDORSING MEASURE BB, THE PROPOSED CITY TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX MEASURE ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT

**WHEREAS**, the City of Seal Beach has a proud tradition of high-quality local services and well-managed finances;

**WHEREAS**, people live in Seal Beach because it is a safe small town and offers a uniquely high quality of life;

**WHEREAS**, residents want to improve public safety, add police officers, maintain 911 emergency response times, prevent cuts to paramedic services, local police and fire protection, maintain school safety patrols, keep beaches safe and clean, and protect the vital City services and the quality of life residents have come to expect;

**WHEREAS**, in recent years, the State has taken local funds from the City and eliminated the City's Redevelopment Agency to address the State government's budget problems;

**WHEREAS**, in addition to taking money from the taxpayers of the City of Seal Beach, the State and Federal governments continue to increase unfunded mandates for the City to perform their delegated tasks.

**WHEREAS**, increasing costs, and more costly mandates from Sacramento, coupled with City revenues that are not keeping up with inflation, are leading to a structural budget problem the City cannot solve without new revenue the State cannot take away or spend for us. The City's reserve funds are decreasing rapidly;

**WHEREAS**, the State is releasing prisoners early to alleviate prison overcrowding and, because of recent ballot measures and State laws, minor criminals know that many crimes in California are "consequence free;"

**WHEREAS**, due to budget cuts the City's police force staffing is well-below levels recommended and necessary for personnel to provide more neighborhood patrols and community policing and greater budget deficits would threaten current levels of spending on all public safety;

**WHEREAS**, increased public safety is the top priority that residents identify for the City;

**WHEREAS**, Measure BB will provide revenue to help improve public safety services, including police, maintain fire and paramedic response times, school crossing guards, and provide greater visibility and presence of police officers at McGaugh School and In all City neighborhoods, including Leisure World, marine safety, school

safety patrols, and the potential for re-opening the police substation at the Jack Haley building;

**WHEREAS**, Measure BB will help prevent cuts to paramedic services, local police and fire protection;

**WHEREAS**, Measure BB will also help prevent cuts to services that help seniors and youth, because it will mean those services will not have to be cut further to pay for public safety services;

**WHEREAS**, Measure BB will help address the need to invest in community assets such as flood control, roadways, and other critical infrastructure;

**WHEREAS**, Measure BB will maintain vital services and the quality of life residents have come to expect;

**WHEREAS**, Revenue from Measure BB will be spent entirely on local essential services that benefit our community, with no money for Sacramento and all funds for Seal Beach; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council is committed to accountability provisions, including annual independent financial audits and public review of expenditures.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEAL BEACH THAT:**

**Section 1.** The City Council of the City of Seal Beach endorses Measure BB and supports voter approval of the proposed 1% local transactions and use tax measure as a critical way to raise revenue to protect and improve the quality of life in Seal Beach. Measure BB is a way to help ensure that everyone who benefits from excellent City services and enjoys all that Seal Beach has to offer - whether they live here, work here or play here - will share in the cost of keeping Seal Beach the great place that it is.

**Section 2.** The City Manager, or her designee, may provide a copy of this resolution to any person, upon request, as evidence of the City Council's support of Measure BB.

**Section 3.** The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this resolution.

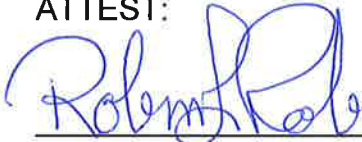
PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Seal Beach City Council at a regular meeting held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018 by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members: Deaton, Massa-Lavitt, Moore, Sustarsic, Varipapa  
NOES: Council Members: None  
ABSENT: Council Members: None  
ABSTAIN: Council Members: None



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Mike Varipapa, Mayor

ATTEST:



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Robin L. Roberts, City Clerk



STATE OF CALIFORNIA }  
COUNTY OF ORANGE } SS  
CITY OF SEAL BEACH }

I, Robin L. Roberts, City Clerk of the City of Seal Beach, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is the original copy of Resolution 6862 on file in the office of the City Clerk, passed, approved, and adopted by the Seal Beach City Council at a regular meeting held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.



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Robin L. Roberts, City Clerk

