

REBUTTAL ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE D

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Measure D proponents make seriously outrageous claims. ALL of the proposed tax increase will go to the General Fund. Nothing in Measure D promises or dedicates any of the tax money to anything other than the General Fund.

As for the \$30 million the State has taken back in the last five years, much of that money had to be returned because Palm Springs misappropriated redevelopment funds and had to give them back when the State terminated redevelopment in 2012. But in this same five-year period, the 2012 sales tax increase and rising transient occupancy taxes generated over \$150 million in new revenue for our city.

There is no objective evidence whatsoever that out-of-towners pay two-thirds of the sales tax in Palm Springs. That suggestion flies in the face of all logic and reason.

NOTHING in D requires more officers on the street, keeping fire stations open, adding paramedics, or funding any other safety/emergency services.

NOTHING in D requires funds be used for homelessness, mental health, or community services.

NOTHING in D dedicates funds to keeping "gangs and drug dealers out of our city."

NOTHING in D protects property values or any of the other ridiculous claims made by the proponents' argument.

Do not be deceived by spurious claims and empty promises.

Send the city a message that better management of existing tax revenue needs to occur before asking residents for more.

Vote NO on Measure D.

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## CITY OF PALM SPRINGS STATEMENT BY PROPONENTS/AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS

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The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the REBUTTAL argument IN FAVOR ~~AGAINST~~  
(PRIMARY OR REBUTTAL) (IN FAVOR OR AGAINST)  
 ballot measure D at the Palm Springs General Municipal Election  
(LETTER) (TITLE OF ELECTION)  
 for the City of Palm Springs to be held on November 7, 2017

hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of THEIR knowledge and belief.  
(HIS/HER/THEIR)

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| 3. <u>Bond Shands, Retired</u><br><small>PRINTED NAME (TITLE OPTIONAL)</small><br><u>[REDACTED] PS 92264</u><br><small>ADDRESS</small>  | <u>[REDACTED]</u><br><small>SIGNATURE</small><br><u>[REDACTED] 8-30-17</u><br><small>(PHONE) DATE</small> |
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