

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-081

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS,
CALIFORNIA, SUBMITTING A TRANSACTIONS (SALES) AND USE TAX
MEASURE TO THE VOTERS AT THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 GENERAL
MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND TAKING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS**

WHEREAS, Citrus Heights has a long history of being self-reliant and fiscally responsible with taxpayer dollars, balancing its budget 18 years in a row; and

WHEREAS, the City cannot rely on the state or federal government to adequately address our local relief and recovery efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City needs to effectively address our own unique local needs and ensure local control for local priorities; and

WHEREAS, Citrus Heights residents prioritize maintaining 911 emergency response times, community and neighborhood safety, homelessness prevention, supporting local business and job creation, keeping public spaces safe and clean, and maintaining essential services as important priorities; and

WHEREAS, while violent crime in Citrus Heights decreased by 9% in 2019 thanks to responsible, proactive crime prevention efforts and community-based neighborhood patrol programs, Citrus Heights has experienced a 7% increase in violent crimes since January of this year; and

WHEREAS, the City has continued to successfully reduce homelessness, down by 15% in 2018-2019; and

WHEREAS, as the economic fallout from the pandemic continues, we need to continue successful homelessness reduction programs while ensuring the health and safety of all residents; and

WHEREAS, Revenue & Taxation Code Section 7285.9 authorizes the City Council to levy a transactions and use tax for general purposes if the ordinance proposing that tax is approved by a two-thirds vote of all members of the City Council and the tax is approved by a majority vote of the qualified voters of the City voting in an election on the issue; and

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2020, by its Resolution No. 2020-048, this Council called for the holding of a General Municipal Election on November 3, 2020 (the "Election"), requested that the Election be consolidated with the Statewide General Election to be held on November 3, 2020, and requested the assistance of the Sacramento County Registrar of Voters in the conduct of the Election; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to submit a 1% general transactions and use tax measure to the City's voters at the Election; and

WHEREAS, the measure includes strict accountability requirements including independent citizen oversight with public disclosure of all spending, annual independent financial audits, all funds spent locally, with no funding that can be taken by Sacramento.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS, CALIFORNIA, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are a substantial part of this resolution.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby orders, pursuant to Section 9222 of the Elections Code, that the ordinance attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and incorporated herein by reference (the “Ordinance”) be submitted to the voters at the Election. Adoption of the Ordinance requires a majority vote of those voting on the matter.

SECTION 3. The question submitted shall appear on the ballot as follows:

To protect local control with funding that cannot be taken by the State; maintain 911 emergency response times; crime investigation/prevention; well-trained community police officers; school safety/security; pothole/street repair; homelessness reduction programs; local business/jobs support; and other city services, shall a measure to establish a Citrus Heights 1¢ sales tax generating \$12,000,000 annually until ended by voters be adopted, with independent annual audits and citizen oversight, and all funds spent in Citrus Heights?	YES	
	NO	

SECTION 4. The City Clerk is instructed to transmit the Ordinance to the City Attorney along with a request that an impartial analysis be prepared pursuant to Elections Code Section 9280.

SECTION 5. In all particulars not recited in this Resolution, the Election shall be held and conducted as provided by law for holding municipal elections.

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

SECTION 7. Pursuant to Section 10400 et seq. of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of Sacramento County is requested to consolidate the election on this ballot measure with other elections held on the same day in the County.

SECTION 8. The Board of Supervisors is authorized to canvass the returns of the Election pursuant to Section 10411 of the Elections Code.

SECTION 9. Pursuant to Section 10002 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors is requested to permit the County elections office to render all services specified by Section 10418 of the Elections Code relating to the election, for which services the City agrees to reimburse the County, in accordance with current County pro-rations and allocation procedures.

SECTION 10. Pursuant Section 9285 of the Elections Code, rebuttal arguments will be allowed. The rebuttal arguments may not exceed 250 words. Rebuttal arguments must be submitted to the City Clerk, and may be changed until and including the date fixed by the City Clerk, after

which no rebuttal arguments for or against the proposed measure may be submitted to the City Clerk.

SECTION 11. The City Council authorizes the Mayor to submit arguments in favor of the measure on behalf of the City Council. At the Mayor's discretion, the argument may also be signed by members of the City Council or bona fide associations or by individual voters who are eligible to vote on the measure. In the event that an argument is filed against the measure, the Mayor is also authorized to prepare a rebuttal argument on behalf of the City Council, which may also be signed by members of the City Council or bona fide associations or individual voters who are eligible to vote on the measure.

SECTION 12. The City Clerk shall file a certified copy of this Resolution with the Board of Supervisors and the County elections office.

SECTION 13. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption hereof.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights the 23rd day of July 2020, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Council Members:	Bruins, Middleton, Miller, Slowey
NOES:	Council Members:	Daniels
ABSTAIN:	Council Members:	None
ABSENT:	Council Members:	None



Jeff Slowey, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amy Van, City Clerk