


City of Barstow

**Argument AGAINST Ballot Measure Q**

**#nonewtaxes #financial accountability #barstowstrong**

Despite what city officials want voters to believe, this ballot measure will not save the Barstow Fire Protection District or increase Public Safety funding or fix city streets and pot-holes. NOTE: The menu of descriptives in the language as presented by city officials, clearly states the vagueness and general use possibilities for the proposed increased taxes. Voters must understand that this proposed 1% tax increase is designated as a "general tax" increase and that governing leaders and city officials reserve the right and governing option to spend these general use taxes in any way that they deem appropriate at the time. If this general tax were to pass, it would open the door to countless other opportunities for city officials to conduct similar tax grabs in the future. General Use Tax increases should be labelled and presented as such, and should not be subject to political propoganda and "misleading" attempts to use Public Safety as "bait" to fill general fund use coffers.

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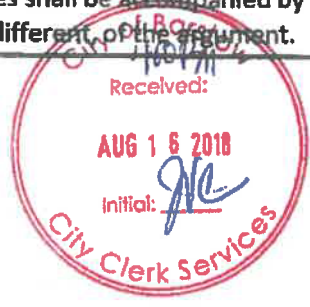
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ballot measure Q at the November 6 - 2018 election for the  
Measure Letter Title of Election

City of Barstow to be held on 11-6-2018 hereby state that this  
Jurisdiction Date of Election

argument is true and correct to the best of them knowledge and belief.  
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**Opponents/Authors:**

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