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**VOTE NO ON THIS DECEPTIVE AND WASTEFUL TAX ON CANNABIS  
(MARIJUANA).**

- **This Tax will encourage illegal sales of much cheaper Street Cannabis.**
- **This Tax does nothing to guarantee Police enforcement against illegal Cannabis.**
- **This Tax will bring more crime and blight to San Bernardino.**
- **This Tax can be increased by the City Council without a further Vote of the People.**

This Tax would be in addition to State sales Tax of 8%. Each Grower must pay a Tax. Each Tester must pay an additional Tax. Each Seller must pay an third additional Tax! All three taxes will be passed on to the buyers, making Commercial Sales the MOST EXPENSIVE in San Bernardino or Riverside Counties.

All Taxes collected may be used by the City Council for any purpose whatsoever, including Councilpersons salaries and wasteful travel expenses. San Bernardino has \$289 Million Dollars in DEFERRED Street and Facilities Maintenance. Our Streets are full of potholes and our vacant City Hall is earthquake unsafe. Not one cent of this wasteful tax is earmarked for deferred maintenance which is vitally needed.

Even **IF** every cent of this Tax was put toward deferred maintenance it would take over **100 YEARS** to pay what San Bernardino owes for deferred maintenance right now.

If this deceptive and wasteful Tax is passed San Bernardino will be worse off than it is now. Illegal street sales of Cannabis will increase since it will be Tax free. There will be no additional Tax for Police enforcement making our streets more unsafe than they are today.

Higher Taxes are a road to ruin for any City. Making more expense without a proper plan is foolish and wasteful. This Tax is poorly thought out and impossible to control. I urge a NO vote on measure W.

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