Argument against Measure K

Please vote against this trick to once again fool voters into believing the Santa Cruz County government will actually fund the same needs that were promised in 2018 with the half-cent sales tax known as Measure G.

Back then, voters were promised the new sales tax would fund fire, local roads, and parks for 12 years, with citizen oversight.

To date, ZERO \$ has gone to fund County Fire Dept. and the \$435,000 promised to improve Aptos Village Park facilities County Parks Department staff claim that was only a "recommendation" and now, improvements not planned.

Citizen oversight as promised? NONE!

Where did that money go? Who knows?! It is not tracked.

The 2021-2022 Santa Cruz County Grand Jury investigation found <u>the County was deceptive with</u> <u>Measure G promises in 2018 and warned County Supervisors.</u>

https://www.santacruzcountyca.gov/Portals/0/County/GrandJury/GJ2022_final/2022-4 MeasureG Report.pdf

Now the Board of Supervisors wants to deceive you again!

Measure K would vaguely "Fund wildfire response, road maintenance, parks & recreation..."

Measure K has NO Citizen Oversight promise at all.

Measure K would be forever.

Measure K will allow City residents to vote on it even though none of the money can be spent within those Cities.

Should we trust that Santa Cruz County government will actually fund Measure K promises when they deceived voters in 2018 with the same empty promises?

Measure K is another trick to grab money from your wallet, padding the General Fund for Supervisors' whims, with no guarantee fire, roads or parks will get anythingjust as before.

PLEASE, VOTE "NO" ON MEASURE K

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