

Resolution No.

STOCKTON CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION OPPOSING PROPOSITION 6 ON THE NOVEMBER 2018 BALLOT

Cities and counties own and operate more than 81 percent of streets and roads in California, and from the moment we open our front door to drive to work, bike to school, or walk to the bus station, people are dependent upon a safe, reliable local transportation network; and

The 2016 California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment, which provides critical analysis and information on the local transportation network's condition and funding needs, indicates that the condition of the local transportation network is deteriorating at an increasing rate; and

California has more than 1,600 bridges and overpasses that are structurally deficient and unsafe and 89% of counties have roads that are in 'poor' or 'at-risk' condition; and

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Association, there were more than 3,600 fatalities on California roads in 2016, with poor road conditions as a major factor in vehicle collisions and accidents; and

The City of Stockton was a proponent of SB 1, intended to provide additional funding for critically needed transportation projects, a proponent of Proposition 69 ensuring transportation funds can only be used for transportation purposes, and a member of the No on Prop 6 coalition; and

Proposition 6 would eliminate more than \$52 billion over the next 10 years in existing transportation funding, including the \$15 billion in direct apportionments, and \$11 billion in available competitive grant funding, to cities and counties statewide; and

Proposition 6 would stop funding for more than 6,500 transportation improvement projects currently underway or planned in every California community; and

Proposition 6 would jeopardize public safety by eliminating thousands of projects to fix unsafe bridges and overpasses, repair crumbling and unsafe roads, and enhance pedestrian safety; and

Proposition 6 would raid \$9 million annually dedicated to the City of Stockton, and halt critical investments in future transportation improvement projects in our community that will be used for:

- Improvements to local streets, including pavement resurfacing, asphalt overlays, and full reconstruction where needed,

- Sidewalk repair and replacement to fix tree damaged and cracked sidewalks,
- Sidewalk installation to eliminate gaps,
- Curb and gutter repair/replacement to improve street drainage; and

Voters overwhelmingly passed Proposition 69 in June thereby ensuring transportation funds can only be used for transportation purposes and the State and local governments are accountable to taxpayers; and

Proposition 6 would eliminate transportation revenues that are accountable to taxpayers, can't be diverted or borrowed, and that voters overwhelmingly dedicated to fixing our roads; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKTON, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City of Stockton oppose Proposition 6 on the November 2018 ballot.
2. The City of Stockton can be listed as a member of the No on Prop 6 Coalition, a diverse coalition of local governments, public safety organizations, business, labor, environmental leaders, transportation advocates, and other organizations throughout the state.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED August 21, 2018.

MICHAEL D. TUBBS
Mayor of the City of Stockton

ATTEST:

CHRISTIAN CLEGG, Deputy City Manager/
Interim City Clerk of the City of Stockton