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PRESS RELEASE

City of Compton to Hold Series of Informational Town Hall Meetings on Upcoming Ballot Measure Aimed At Repairing Local Streets, Parks and Enhancing Public Safety

COMPTON – The City of Compton will hold a series of informational town hall meetings on the upcoming June 7 Vital City Services and Neighborhood Protection Measure ballot measure more commonly referred to as Measure P.

Upcoming meetings include:

- Wed., May 4 at 6:30 p.m. at Gonzalez Park
- Wed., May 11 at 6:30 p.m. at Kelly Park
- Wed., May 18 at 6:30 p.m. at Burrel McDonald Park
- Sat., May 21 at 10 a.m. at the Douglas Dollarhide Community Center
- Sat., Jun. 4 at 10 a.m. at the Douglas Dollarhide Community Center

In June, Compton voters will be asked to approve the Vital City Services and Neighborhood Protection Measure, a proposed ordinance to add a one percent sales tax to fund repairing local streets, sidewalks and enhancing pedestrian street lighting. Additionally, the measure would provide funding for more public safety personnel including sheriffs, firefighters and paramedics, expand youth job training, gang and drug prevention programs, economic development, improve local parks and stabilize basic services throughout the City. The estimated annual revenue to the City of Compton if passed by voters will generate over $7
million annually and would require citizens’ oversight.

“This ordinance addresses an issue important for our residents — our streets,” said Mayor Aja Brown. “It addresses Compton’s urgent and critical infrastructure needs and if passed voters will ensure that millions are allocated towards community reinvestment. This would include over $100 million to repave every Compton street, the creation of local jobs and the expansion of youth job training, gang and drug prevention programs. This measure will provide funding to meet critical service needs—which our residents deserve—including adding a much-needed fire station on the City’s east side and providing additional sheriff’s personnel. This measure also includes a mandatory citizen oversight committee that will review all project expenditures and report to the community quarterly. How the money is being spent will also be available online for the public to view. I’m truly thankful for the support and leadership of the entire City Council. Teamwork makes the Vision work.”

The Vital City Services and Neighborhood Protection measure will appear on the City of Compton’s June 7, 2016 ballot.

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