

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-19**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRASS VALLEY OPPOSING INITIATIVE 21-0042A1**

**WHEREAS**, an association representing California's wealthiest corporations and developers is spending millions to push a deceptive proposition aimed for the November 2024 statewide ballot; and

**WHEREAS**, the measure includes undemocratic provisions that would make it more difficult for local voters to pass measures needed to fund local services and infrastructure, and would limit voter input by prohibiting local advisory measures where voters provide direction on how they want their local tax dollars spent; and

**WHEREAS**, the measure creates new constitutional loopholes that allow corporations to pay far less than their fair share for the impacts they have on our communities, including local infrastructure and our environment; and

**WHEREAS**, the measure may make it much more difficult for state and local regulators to issue fines and levies on corporations that violate laws intended to protect our environment, public health and safety, and our neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, the measure puts billions of dollars currently dedicated to local services at risk and could force cuts to fire and emergency response, law enforcement, public health, parks, libraries, affordable housing, services to support homeless residents, mental health services, and more; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Grass Valley opposes Initiative 21-0042A1;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of Grass Valley will join the No on Initiative 21-0042A1 coalition, a growing coalition of public safety, education, labor, local government, and infrastructure groups throughout the state.

We direct staff to email a copy of this adopted resolution to the League of California Cities at [BallotMeasures@calcities.org](mailto:BallotMeasures@calcities.org).

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** at the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Grass Valley held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023 by the following vote:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

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Jan Arbuckle, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Taylor Day, City Clerk

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Michael G. Colantuono, City Attorney