**Frequently Asked Questions About Measures T and U**

**Q: What are Measures T and U?**

A: The Fort Bragg City Council unanimously placed Measure T (the Fort Bragg Public Safety, Workforce Housing, and Essential Services Measure), and Measure U (the Fort Bragg Tourist Impact Reduction and Quality of Life Measure) on our November 5th Municipal Election. If enacted, Measures T and U will provide locally controlled funding sources to address general services and community priorities identified by the public such as:

* Keeping our public spaces safe/clean
* Maintaining 911 medical response
* Maintaining police protection/crime investigation
* Supporting local businesses
* Maintaining fire protection
* Preparing for natural disasters
* Funding programs to make housing more affordable

 **Q: Will Measures T and U maintain public safety?**

A: If enacted, additional local funding from Measures T and U can help maintain 911 emergency response for fires and medical emergencies, and attract and retain experienced police officers, which Fort Bragg would otherwise lose to other cities.

**Q:** **What about natural disasters?**

A: Earthquakes and other natural disasters are inevitable in Fort Bragg. We face the very real possibility of being isolated or overlooked for larger communities in a catastrophe. Funding created by Measures T and U will help Fort Bragg prepare for these disasters and keep residents safe and connected to surrounding communities and emergency responders.

**Q: What other vital services will Measures T and U maintain?**

A:We all love living in Fort Bragg because of its smalltown character, quality of life, and natural environment. Services provided by the City such as road and park maintenance, recreation programs, and police and fire protection are all programs that can be maintained with the reliable, voter-approved funding that these measures provide.

**Q: How can we be sure Measures T and U will be spent on local services?**

A:By law, Measures T and U are required to be spent for the benefit of Fort Bragg. No money can be taken by the federal government, county, or state. Locally controlled funding from the Measures are subject to strict accountability provisions including independent audits and public review of expenditures to ensure funds are spent efficiently and responsibly.

**Q: What will Measures T and U cost?**

A:If enacted, Measure T (Essential Services Measure) establishes a locally controlled 3/8ths cent sales tax -- three quarters of which is paid for tourists and visitors to Fort Bragg. Measure U (Tourist

 Impact Measure) increases Fort Bragg’s locally controlled transient occupancy (hotel) tax by 2%, which is paid solely by hotel/ motel guests. Measures T and U are designed to ensure tourists, visitors and hotel guests pay their fair share for using the City’s streets/roads, parks/open space, and 911 services when coming to our City.

**Q: When are Measures T and U on the ballot?**

A: The Fort Bragg Municipal Election is on November 5, 2024. In addition to Measures T and U, the Fort Bragg community will also get to select two City Council representatives in this election. If you need to register to vote, you can do so online at <https://www.mendocinocounty.gov/government/assessor-county-clerk-recorder-elections/elections/register-to-vote>

**Q: Where can I get more information about Measures T and U?**

A:For more information, visit <https://www.city.fortbragg.com/>. If you have any specific questions please contact the City Manager’s office at 707-961-2823. If you are a member of a community organization that would like to schedule a presentation to learn more about Measures T and U, please contact Cristal Munoz at cmunoz@fortbragg.com