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# MEMORANDUM

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Date: November 21, 2017

To: The Honorable Chair and Members  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry  
County Administrator

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Re: **November 2017 Transportation Funding Ballot Measures**

Attached is a list of transportation funding measures that were on ballots across the nation during the most recent general election. The information is provided by the American Road and Transportation Builders Association. One third of the ballot measures involved increasing sales taxes for transportation purposes. Of the 95 ballot measures, 86 percent or all but 13, were approved by voters. Of the 13 that failed, only two were sales tax measures.

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Attachment

c: Chair and Members, Pima County Sales Tax Advisory Committee  
Chair and Members, Pima County Transportation Advisory Committee  
Carmine DeBonis, Deputy County Administrator for Public Works  
Ana Olivares, Director, Transportation Department  
Nicole Fyffe, Executive Assistant to the County Administrator

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State	Location	Type	Description	Result
Arizona	Pinal County	Sales Tax	<u>Propositions 416 and 417</u> : Prop 416 (the transportation project plan) and 417 (the funding component) could invest \$640M over the next 20 years in the county's roads and freeways through a half-cent sales tax increase on purchases of \$10,000 or less.	Passed
Arizona	Surprise	Bond	Proposal for \$15.5M in bonds to add lane capacity to major roads.	Passed
California	Larkspur	Sales tax	<u>Measure B</u> : Increase the local sales tax by 0.75 percent, with 80 percent of revenue dedicated to road repair, rehabilitation and maintenance. Measure B would generate \$1.65M annually.	Passed
California	Santa Barbara	Sales Tax	<u>Measure C</u> : 1 percent sales tax increase, which would be directed to the general fund, with the goal to fund infrastructure maintenance. The measure would generate \$22M annually, but because it is a general sales tax and not a special sales tax, the revenue cannot be designated for specific projects. By making it a general sales tax the city avoids the two-thirds approval requirement of special sales taxes.	Passed
California	South Lake Tahoe	Sales Tax	<u>Measure C</u> : Half-cent sales tax increase, with revenue designated for road rehabilitation. Requires 66.7 percent approval from voters to pass.	Failed
Colorado	Burgundy Park Public Improvement District of Boulder County	Property Tax/ Bond	<u>Boulder County Issue 5A</u> : Request to raise property taxes to fund a \$460K no-interest county loan that will pay for road improvements.	Passed
Colorado	City of Lafayette	Bond	<u>Ballot Issue 2C</u> : Request to utilize a \$9M bond for street improvement.	Passed
Colorado	Denver	Bond	<u>Referred Question 2A</u> : Part of a \$937M total bond package, \$431M general obligation bond would be for surface transportation	Passed
Colorado	El Paso County	Other	<u>El Paso County- 1A</u> : Question on whether to utilize nearly \$15K in excess revenue for county projects, including work on the I-25 Corridor Gap and "other roadway safety and improvement projects".	Passed
Connecticut	Norwich	Bond	Proposal for a \$5M bond to fund improvements or construction of roads, bridges, and bridge structures, sidewalks, piers and wharves.	Passed
Florida	Pinellas County	Sales Tax	Renewal of a 1-cent countywide sales tax, with 45 percent (an estimated \$412M) allocated for road, bridge, and trail projects.	Passed
Georgia	Athens-Clarke County	Sales Tax	1 percent county sales tax for transportation purposes. Of the new revenue, 53 percent would go to bike and pedestrian improvements, 12 percent to transit, and 33 percent to roads. This is coupled with an immediate \$95M bond issuance for	Passed
Georgia	Barrow County	Sales Tax	1 percent special purpose local option sales tax for general infrastructure needs. Of the \$56.6M in anticipated revenue, \$10.8M would be allocated to county road, street, bridge, curb and sidewalk projects.	Passed
Georgia	Coweta County	Sales Tax	1 percent sales tax for six years. An anticipated \$140M would be generated by this tax, with an estimated \$89.5M spent on transportation projects.	Passed
Georgia	Dade County	Sales Tax	1 percent county sales tax, to last five years, for congestion relief, bridges, pedestrian/bicycle landscaping, streetscape, quick response projects, and operations and safety. Revenue will be divided 75/25 between the county and cities.	Passed
Georgia	Decatur County	Sales Tax	1 percent county sales tax for transportation purposes, to last five years.	Passed

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Georgia	Dekalb County	Sales Tax	1 percent county sales tax for transportation purposes, to last five years. An additional referendum on the Homestead Option Sales Tax must also be approved for the SPLOST to take effect. Total revenue is expected to be \$636.8M, with \$388M utilized by the county and the remainder split among cities and townships. Of the county's revenue, \$151M would be used for road resurfacing (with matching federal and state funds adding an additional \$25.5M), \$9M for transportation enhancements, and \$7M for bridge repairs.	Passed
Georgia	Floyd County	Sales Tax	1 percent local sales and use tax, with \$4.5M dedicated to road and bridge work	Passed
Georgia	Gordon County	Sales Tax	1 percent county sales and use tax for capital outlay projects, including road and bridge improvements.	Passed
Georgia	Jasper County	Sales Tax	1 percent county sales and use tax for capital projects. Of the revenue, 22 percent would be dedicated to roads and bridges maintained by Jasper County.	Passed
Georgia	Putnam County	Sales Tax	1 percent county sales tax for five years to fund local transportation projects.	Passed
Georgia	Walker County	Sales Tax	1 percent special purpose local option sales tax for transportation, to last five years, split 75/25 between the county and cities.	Passed
Georgia	Ware County	Sales Tax	1 percent county sales tax for five years, split between Ware County and Waycross City.	Passed
Idaho	Sun Valley	Bond/ Property Tax	Request for a \$17.5M bond to fund road repairs, rehabilitation and reconstruction. The bond will be repaid through a property tax of \$55.42 per \$100,000 assessed value. The measure must receive two-thirds majority to pass.	Passed
Kansas	Lawrence	Sales Tax	Question No. 2: Sales tax increase of 0.3 percent for the purpose of "constructing, improving, and maintaining public streets, sidewalks, storm water facilities, and recreational trails, bikeways, and paths including residential traffic calming devices, residential curb and gutter replacement, improvements to crosswalks and accessible ramps, reconstruction of roads and intersections, purchasing fire apparatus and related fire equipment including radios and personal protective equipment, and such other related street, sidewalk, storm water, and recreational path infrastructure, and fire equipment purposes as may be in the best interest of the City."	Passed
Louisiana	Statewide	Gas Tax	Amendment 1: Relates to the Transportation Trust Fund; establishes the Construction Subfund; provides for the use of	Passed
Maine	Bath	Bond	Proposal to utilize \$2.8M in bonds for street and sidewalk improvements.	Passed
Maine	Statewide	Bond	Question 3: Request for \$105 million in bonds to be used for the state's transportation infrastructure, including: \$80 million	Passed
Michigan	Beaverton Township	Property Tax	Property tax renewal of \$2M for five years to construct and improve local roads.	Passed

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Michigan	Billings Township	Property Tax	New property tax of \$1.5M for four years to provide road maintenance and improvement services.	Passed
Michigan	Casco Township	Property Tax	Property tax increase of \$1M for four years to pave, repair, construct or reconstruct roads, bridges or drainage structures.	Passed
Michigan	Caseville City	Property Tax	Property tax increase of \$2M for five years for street projects and repairs.	Passed
Michigan	Chikaming Township	Property Tax	Property tax increase of \$1M for six years for the maintenance, upkeep and construction of roads.	Passed
Michigan	Chocolay Township	Property Tax	New property tax of \$1.7M for 15 years for the maintenance, repair, reconstruction, and improvement of public roads within	Pending
Michigan	Doyle Township	Property Tax	Property tax increase of \$1M for five years to fund general maintenance or local roadways.	Passed
Michigan	Fenton City	Advisory	Question on whether to increase the allowable property tax. If approved, the city will place a measure on the May 2018 ballot	Failed
Michigan	Ferrysburg Township	Property Tax	Property tax increase of \$3M for 20 years to repair or replace Smith's Bridge.	Failed
Michigan	Garden City	Bond/ Property Tax	Property tax increase of \$6.2M to fund a \$50M bond, to be used for improving, replacing, resurfacing, and reconstructing city streets, including sidewalks, drainage, water, and sewer	Failed
Michigan	Garfield Township	Property Tax	Renewal of a \$3M property tax for four years to fund the maintenance, repair and improvement of local roads.	Passed
Michigan	Harbor Springs City	Property Tax	Property tax increase of \$1M for 20 years for the maintenance, construction and improvement of streets and sidewalks.	Passed
Michigan	Humboldt Township	Property Tax	Renewal of a \$991K property tax for 10 years to implement the Humboldt Township Road Improvement and Maintenance Plan.	Pending
Michigan	Humboldt Township	Property Tax	Additional \$2M property tax for 10 years to implement the Humboldt Township Road Improvement and Maintenance	Pending
Michigan	Lapeer City	Property Tax	Property tax increase of \$2M for six years to fund street and sidewalk improvements.	Passed
Michigan	London Township	Property Tax	Property tax increase of \$1M for five years to fund road maintenance, including dust control, stoning or paving of roads.	Failed
Michigan	Muskegon Charter Township	Property Tax	Increase property tax by \$1.5M for five years to fund road repairs.	Passed
Michigan	Negaunee Township	Property Tax	Property tax increase of \$1.55M for 15 years to rebuild and overhaul approximately \$8.55M of roads currently in failing condition.	Pending
Michigan	Saugatuck Township	Property Tax	Additional property tax increase of \$967K for five years to pave, repair, construct, or reconstruct roads, bridges or	Passed
Michigan	Secord Township	Property Tax	Property tax renewal of \$2.25M for six years to construct and maintain roads and rights of way.	Pending
Michigan	St Johns City	Property Tax	Authorize a property tax increase of \$3M for five years for street and sidewalk improvements.	Pending
Michigan	Whitehall Township	Property Tax	Property tax increase of \$1.5M for 10 years for the purpose of road repair, maintenance and improvements.	Failed
Minnesota	Duluth	Sales Tax	Increase the local sales tax by 0.5 percent for street improvements. If passed by voters the proposal would go	Passed
Missouri	Kansas City	Advisory	Invest \$1 billion of existing revenue in reconstructing the city airport into a single terminal.	Passed
Missouri	Lebanon	Sales Tax	Half-cent sales tax increase for 10 years to fund transportation improvements.	Passed

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Missouri	Shelbina	Sales Tax	0.5 percent sales tax increase for local road funding.	Passed
North Carolina	Harrisburg	Bond/ Property Tax	Request for approval of a \$4M bond for transportation projects, including the capital costs for acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, widening, extending, paving, resurfacing, grading and improving streets and sidewalks. Bond would be repaid with a property tax increase.	Passed
North Dakota	Grand Forks	Sales Tax	Half-percent sales tax increase to last 20 years, which will be used to fund street and water infrastructure needs. The measure is anticipated to generate \$5M annually, with 60	Passed
Ohio	Akron	Income Tax	Issue 4: Increase the income tax by 0.25 percent. If approved, the measure would enable the city to pave an additional 43	Passed
Ohio	Copley	Property Tax	\$2.5M levy for road, street and bridge construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair, to last three years.	Passed
Ohio	New Holland	Property Tax	Five-year levy for street improvements.	Failed
Ohio	Rossford	Income Tax	0.0025 income tax increase to maintain, construct, repair streets, roadways, storm sewers & related capitals improvements.	Failed
Ohio	South Charleston	Income Tax	0.25 percent income tax increase to last eight years for road repairs.	Passed
Ohio	Tiffin City	Income Tax	Proposal to increase the local income tax by 0.25 percent for five years to fund road and bridge maintenance.	Failed
Ohio	Union	Sales & Use	0.25 percent sales and use tax for five years to improve & construct county roads & bridges & senior services.	Passed
Oregon	Asbahr-Pilkington	Property Tax	Formation of a special road district, to institute a local property tax of \$3 per \$1,000 assessed property value in order to provide road maintenance, repair and upgrading.	Passed
Oregon	Eugene	Bond	Bond to repair streets. An estimated \$1M of the bond would be used to as fund bicycle and pedestrian projects as well.	Passed
Oregon	Silverton	Gas Tax	Increase the local gas tax by 2 cents-per-gallon for street construction, reconstruction, improvements, repairs and operations.	Passed
South Carolina	York County	Sales Tax	1 percent sales tax renewal for seven years to fund specific road projects.	Passed
Texas	Bastrop/ Tahitian Village	Bond	\$7.5M bond to pave gravel roads in the Bastrop subdivision. Required two-thirds approval to pass.	Failed
Texas	Cedar Hill	Bond	Proposition A: Issue \$10M bond for repair and improvement of roadways and drainage facilities throughout the city.	Passed
Texas	Dallas County	Bond	Proposition A: Issue \$534M in general obligation bonds for street and pedestrian walkways improvements. Total repayment would cost \$725M	Passed
Texas	Farmers Branch	Bond	Proposition A: Request for \$4 million in bonds to improve streets and related infrastructure.	Passed
Texas	Fort Bend County	Bond	Proposition A: \$218M in bonds for road and bridge projects.	Passed
Texas	Galveston County	Bond	Proposition A: Bond to fund construction and maintenance of county roads.	Passed
Texas	Highland Village	Bond	Proposition 1: Street improvements bond for repairs, overlays or full replacement.	Passed
Texas	Midland City	Bond/ Property Tax	Proposition A: Request for approval of a \$74M bond for street construction.	Passed
Texas	Midlothian	Bond	Proposition B: Request for \$22M in bonds for street, road and bridge construction, improvement and upgrading.	Passed
Texas	Mineral Wells	Bond	Proposition A: \$7.5M in bonds to construct, reconstruct, and improve streets and roads.	Passed
Texas	Murphy	Bond	Proposition A: Bonds to complete street improvements.	Passed
Texas	Nolanville	Sales Tax	Reauthorize a 0.25 percent local sales tax to maintain and repair municipal streets, to last four years.	Passed
Texas	Plainview	Bond	Proposition A: \$7.1M in bonds for street and drainage improvements.	Passed
Texas	Smith County	Bond	Proposition A: Bonds for road construction and improvement within the county.	Passed

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Texas	Travis County	Bond/ Property Tax	Proposition A: Bond to fund critical road safety improvements, such as increasing capacity. The annual tax bill to fund the bond is estimated at \$36.34 annually for the average home value of \$305k.	Passed
Utah	Pleasant Grove	Other	Proposition 3: Invest \$2.6M of the local general fund for roads.	Failed
Washington	Adams County	Property Tax	<u>ROAD DISTRICT 1 Proposition 1:</u> Property tax levy of \$2.25 per \$1,000 assessed property value for the maintenance, repairs and improvement of county roads.	Failed
Washington	City of Tekoa	Property Tax	Property tax levy of \$1.60 per \$1,000 assessed property value for chip sealing of local streets and the TIB Park Street project for one year.	Passed
Washington	Colton	Property Tax	Property tax levy of \$1.09 per \$1,000 assessed property value for general operations and improvements to the town's streets and water/sewer systems for one year.	Passed
Washington	Connell	Sales Tax	Sales and use tax increase of 0.2 percent for 10 years to fund citywide transportation improvements.	Passed
Washington	Long Beach	Sales Tax	Sales and use tax increase of 0.2 percent for 10 years to fund citywide transportation improvements.	Passed
Washington	Moses Lake	Sales Tax	Sales and use tax increase of 0.2 percent for 10 years to fund citywide transportation improvements.	Passed
Washington	Mukilteo	Sales Tax	Sales and use tax increase of 0.1 percent for 10 years to fund citywide transportation improvements.	Passed
Washington	Palouse	Property Tax	Property tax levy of \$0.78 per \$1,000 assessed property value for street improvements and oiling for one year.	Passed
Washington	St. John	Property Tax	Property tax levy of \$2.17 per \$1,000 assessed property value for street improvements and maintenance for one year.	Passed
Washington	Town of Farmington	Property Tax	Property tax levy of \$1.44 per \$1,000 assessed property value for the maintenance and repair of town streets for one year.	Passed
Washington	Town of Oakesdale	Property Tax	Property tax levy of \$2.38 per \$1,000 assessed property value for street work, lights, expenses and maintenance for one year.	Passed
Washington	Woodland	Sales Tax	<u>City of Woodland Transportation Benefit District Prop. 1:</u> 0.2 percent sales tax increase for 10 years to fund projects with the city's Transportation Improvement Programs.	Failed
West Virginia	Statewide	Bond	<u>Amendment 1:</u> A constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to issue state bonds not to exceed \$1.6 billion between 2017 and 2021. The bonds are to be used for matching federal highway and bridge construction funding as well as general road and bridge construction. The legislature will provide for the collection of an annual state tax to cover the interest payments on the bonds.	Passed

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