## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE T

The opponents of Measure T do not understand that the current appointment process is a Failure. It also undermines public confidence in Dixon city government.

In the last FOUR (4) years there have been no less than EIGHT (8) persons appointed to fill the office of City Clerk.

Currently, the City Clerk is only responsible to the unelected City Manager and not the residents of Dixon.

By Ordinance, while the City Manager appoints and sets the salary of the City Clerk subject to ratification by the council, the unelected City Manager may fire the City Clerk at any time, for any reason, without city council approval.

Because the City Manager is authorized by the council to review the performance of the City Clerk, as well as to impose any additional duties and responsibilities on the City Clerk, this important PUBLIC office is totally controlled by the unelected City Manager..

This conflicts with the duties of the City Clerk to guard the rights of residents against retaliation from City officials. In fact just last year the unelected City Manager appointed the "Assistant City Manager" to be the "temporary" City Clerk.

An elected City Clerk will allow the city clerk to perform the duties of office without interference by others in City Hall, and without the fear that she may be terminated at any time.

The current appointment process by the City Manager is a Failure! Let the Voters elect the City Clerk!

## **VOTE YES ON MEASURE T.**

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