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Madam Mayor, Lompoc Council Members;

I am opposed to additional taxes being considered by the Council.

Mayor Osborne supported Measure D and called it a "fair tax". What made Measure D tax structure fair then but unfair now?

King City, CA (Measure J) has a flat tax of \$30k for both manufacturing and testing laboratories, similar to Measure D tax. That was not presented to you in the staff report.

There are plenty of places for manufacturing to go to do business. They are/were attracted to Lompoc because of its tax structure.

STIIIZY brand, one of the largest in California Cannabis, is HQ in Oakland area. They are proposed to moving their HQ to Lompoc with upwards of 150 jobs. If the tax structure becomes more burdensome, companies like STIIIZY will be lost.

Do Not Overtax the industry to satisfy your thirst to overspend.

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