Your City Council unanimously urges a "Yes" vote on this measure to maintain the momentum on the downtown improvements currently underway.

The City Council entered into a Development Agreement for a long-desired, upscale wine-country hotel next to the Bankhead. Throughout the months of the outreach and public input process, there was one element that was agreed upon by all. The optimal location for a downtown hotel was South Livermore Avenue. This Development Agreement keeps it there and also protects Blacksmith Square.

Don't be confused by a widely circulated drawing of a west side hotel on Railroad Avenue. That drawing has unreasonable housing densities and ignores the complementary elements in the City plan. It actually harms First Street businesses by replacing their parking with housing. Their drawing hasn't been vetted or subject to feasibility analysis.

In contrast, the City Approved Downtown Plan was based on input from thousands of Livermore residents and years of careful planning and analyses.

A "Yes" vote will prevent years of delay allowing us to continue improving the downtown now, and providing what you want:

More available parking throughout the downtown

More open space, including two large connecting parks, Veterans Park and Stockmen's Park
Less dense housing

Better traffic circulation

More retail

Fiscally responsible

The City Approved Downtown Plan is supported throughout the community. Join with many organizations, representing thousands of residents, who support the plan:

Livermore Stockmen's Association
Livermore Shakespeare Festival
Livermore Chamber of Commerce
Livermore Downtown Inc.
Unify Livermore
InterFaith Housing
Livermore Science and Society Center
Livermore Valley Winegrowers Association
Innovation Tri-Valley

You've waited years for the downtown improvements that residents requested: more available parking, more open space, more retail, and more amenities. Don't be fooled by a drawing and false claims. The time has come to vote "Yes" to get things done!

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STATEMENT ACCOMPANYING BALLOT MEASURE ARGUMENTS

Elections Code § 9600:

All arguments concerning measures filed pursuant to this division shall be accompanied by the following form statement, to be signed by each proponent and by each author, if different, of the argument:

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