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Argument for Measure U

Measure U modernizes our charter and sets our City up to better fund infrastructure in the future. Bonds are frequently used by School Districts and Cities to finance necessary infrastructure projects. Albany Unified School District currently offers bonds to improve school facilities, ensuring our schools are safe, modern, and have enough room for students. City Bonds are used to fund necessary infrastructure projects such as street repaving, public facility construction, and the funding of affordable housing. Albany Unified School District and the City have separate authority to pass bond measures, essentially meaning that the use of bond capacity by one body does not affect the other. However, our current Charter language is outdated, referencing school bonds because when the City was founded the School District did not yet exist. Measure U removes language from the Charter that references bonding for school purposes, ensuring there is no confusion for either the School District or the City to put forward bonds in the future. Please join us and vote yes on Measure U.

/s/ John Miki, Mayor /s/ Robin López, Vice Mayor /s/ Jennifer Hansen-Romero, City Councilmember /s/ Preston Jordan, City Councilmember /s/ Aaron Tiedemann, City Councilmember