

Complaint Description

Jwissler10 (Wed, 23 Oct 2019 at 9:29 AM)

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What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?

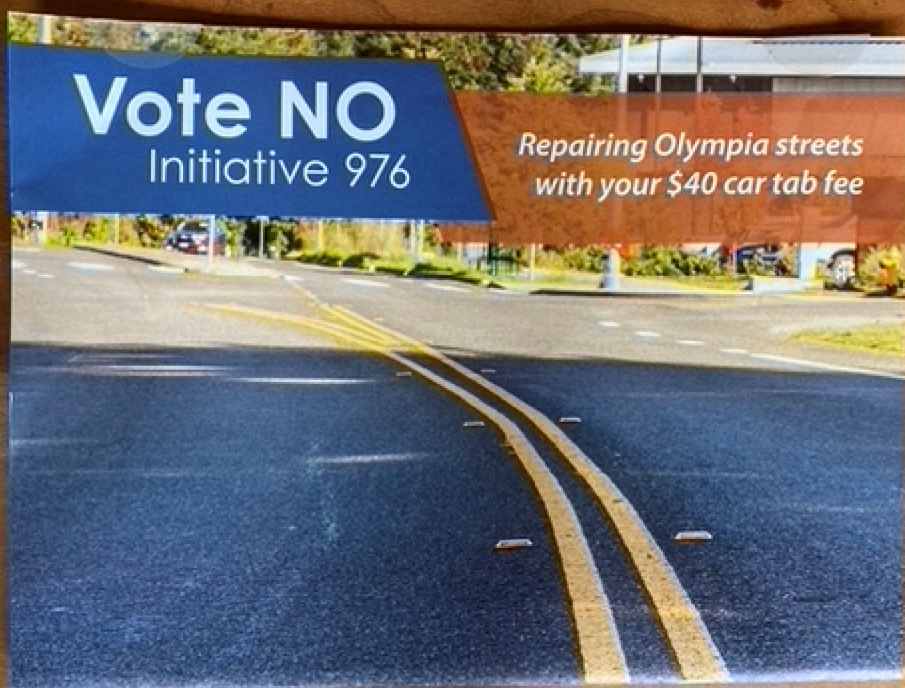
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List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found.**List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them.****Complaint Certification:**

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Vote NO
Initiative 976

*Repairing Olympia streets
with your \$40 car tab fee*





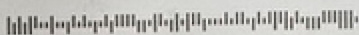
City of Olympia
PO Box 1967
Olympia, WA 98507-1967

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Car tab fees help repair our streets.

STANDARD
US POSTAGE PAID
TACOMA WA
PERMIT #317



TO THE VOTER(S) AT
310 SHADOW LN NE
OLYMPIA WA 98506-5234

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Initiative 976

*The Olympia City Council
urges a "NO" vote on I-976.*

Why Vote No?

- This measure would result in a major funding loss for City street improvements and repairs.
- Pavement conditions would suffer and planned projects would not be completed.
- The safety and performance of our transportation system would be at risk.

Loss of funding from car tab fees limits our ability to repair streets like the examples below.



Local Funds for Local Streets

The purpose of the \$40 car tab fee is to raise funds at the local level to address our community's specific street repair needs.



What is Initiative 976?

Initiative 976 concerns motor vehicle taxes and fees. If enacted, it would repeal, reduce or remove authority to impose certain vehicle taxes and fees; limit annual motor-vehicle-license fees to \$30, except voter-approved charges; and base vehicle taxes on Kelley Blue Book value.

Street repair is the single largest transportation expense in our City.

Your \$40 car tab fee makes up nearly half the City's street reconstruction and repair budget, about \$1.5M/year. If the measure passes, that funding would go away.

**Typical Total Street
Repair Budget:**
\$3,750,000/yr

Gas Tax
\$275,000
Grants
\$875,000
Real Estate
Excise Tax
\$1,500,000



Car Tab Revenue
\$1,500,000/yr

Every dollar counts. Thank you for doing your part to fix our streets. **Vote NO on Initiative 976.**