

CITY OF Grand Terrace ORDINANCE NO. [NUMBER]

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GRAND TERRACE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, TO EARMARK REVENUE FROM MEASURE M FOR PUBLIC SAFETY PURPOSES AND PROVIDING FOR ITS AMENDMENT ONLY BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Terrace is committed to maintaining and enhancing public safety for its residents, businesses, and visitors; and

WHEREAS, public safety services such as police and disaster preparedness are essential to the welfare of the community and require sufficient and stable funding; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Terrace recognizes the increasing need for enhanced public safety measures due to growth, increased population, crime rates, and evolving public safety demands; and

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Terrace has introduced a new general tax measure, Measure M, that will generate revenue for the city's general fund, and the City Council desires to designate 100% of this revenue specifically for public safety; and

WHEREAS, the City Council intends to ensure that this allocation is upheld in perpetuity and can only be amended or revised by a unanimous vote of the City Council, ensuring continuity in public safety funding;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND TERRACE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Purpose

The purpose of this ordinance is to designate and permanently earmark 100% of the revenue generated from the new general tax measure, Measure M, specifically for public safety services within the City of Grand Terrace.

Section 2. Public Safety Allocation

One hundred percent (100%) of the revenue generated from the new general tax measure, Measure M, beginning in the fiscal year of its implementation, shall be earmarked solely for public safety purposes, including but not limited to:

- Police services and personnel
- Disaster preparedness and response initiatives
- Public safety equipment, facilities, and infrastructure improvements
- Community safety and crime prevention programs

Section 3. Public Safety Fund

The earmarked revenue shall be accounted for in a separate designated **Public Safety Fund** within the City's general fund, and these funds shall only be used for the purposes specified in Section 2 of this ordinance.

Section 4. Annual Review and Accountability

The City Council shall conduct quarterly reviews of the Public Safety Fund to ensure that the funds are being allocated and spent in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance. The City shall prepare and publish quarterly reports, including an annual report, detailing the use of the funds, which shall be made publicly available.

Section 5. Amendment or Repeal

This ordinance may only be amended, revised, or repealed by a UNANIMOUS vote of the sitting members of the City Council and must be presented during a noticed public hearing. Any future ordinance or resolution that seeks to modify the provisions of this ordinance must receive full approval from all City Council members.

Section 6. Effective Date

This ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption by the City Council and the approval of the new general tax measure, Measure M, by the voters of Grand Terrace.

Section 7. Severability

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED, by the City Council of Grand Terrace on this [date] day of [month], [year].

Bill Hussey Mayor of Grand Terrace

Attested by: [City Clerk's Name] City Clerk of Grand Terrace

This ordinance establishes a legally binding and durable framework for earmarking tax revenue for public safety and ensures that future changes would require unanimous approval from the city council. It also includes a provision for annual accountability to ensure transparency.