

**INITIATIVE MEASURE TITLE AND SUMMARY
PREPARED BY OJAI CITY ATTORNEY
UNDER ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 9203**

Title:

Initiative Measure to Prohibit Off-Site Valet Parking in the City of Ojai

Summary:

If approved by a majority of Ojai voters, this Initiative would amend the Ojai Municipal Code to prohibit off-site valet parking at any commercial property in the City. Commercial property owners and businesses could still valet park vehicles if all vehicles are parked on the same premises as the business.

Under current City law, both on-site and off-site valet parking is allowed if approved by the City through the land use permits for a business. Valet parking means the receiving, driving, parking, and return of a vehicle by a business's employees or contractors, not by the vehicle's driver. The Initiative, if approved, would allow on-site valet parking to continue at commercial properties, but only if the valet parking operations are on the same premises as the business and use no public street. The Initiative would prohibit any off-site valet parking, meaning valet parking of vehicles at a different location than the business being visited by the driver. The Initiative would also prohibit valet parking that requires vehicles to be moved temporarily onto public streets or public parking lots.

The Initiative's prohibition on off-site valet parking would not apply to special events obtaining City permits, so long as the permit applicant does not hold events at the same location over six times per year. The Initiative would also not apply to non-commercial events at residential properties.

The City Council would retain the power to adopt additional parking regulations, if the City Council maintains the Initiative's prohibition against off-site valet parking and using public streets and parking lots to move or temporarily store vehicles for valet parking.



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