

## RESOLUTION NO. 2021-

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WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of San Marcos has a duty to ensure the residents of San Marcos are fairly represented to the State of California and the region via the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG); and

WHEREAS, SANDAG is a regional decision making body empowered by State law to govern certain aspects of regional issues and is composed of elected officials from the eighteen incorporated cities within San Diego County and the County of San Diego who are responsible for bringing the greatest benefit to the communities of San Diego;

WHEREAS, The residents, businesses of San Marcos as well as visitors to San Marcos benefit from using our local roadways; and

WHEREAS, San Marcos residents and businesses pay sales taxes and other state and local taxes when purchasing fuel for their vehicles. These taxes are intended to defray the expenses to keep our local roadways in a good state of repair, and

WHEREAS, The residents and businesses of San Marcos, as well as visitors to San Marcos should not be unfairly burdened by additional taxes to use San Marcos' local roads: and

WHEREAS, California has the highest gasoline tax rate in the country; and

WHEREAS, The Federal Government and the State of California are in the process of initiating a roadway usage charge. SANDAG proposes to initiate an additional roadway usage charge; and

WHEREAS, San Marcos has residents whose income falls under the average income rate of San Diego County; and

WHEREAS, SANDAG has already stated the proposed "Road Usage Charge" will not be used for the maintenance of local roads including those in San Marcos; and

WHEREAS, This "Charge" imposes an undue burden on our middle and lower income residents who struggle financially and our businesses who employ many of these residents working to improve their quality of life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of San Marcos stands with our residents, businesses and visitors to object to any new taxes, charges or fees imposed by SANDAG on motorists to use our local roadways.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of San Marcos, California, this 12th day of October, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS:  
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS:  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS:

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Rebecca D. Jones, Mayor  
City of San Marcos

ATTEST:

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Phillip Scollick, City Clerk  
City of San Marcos