

## ARGUMENT FOR PROPOSITION 409

It is argued by everyone, from the political left to the political right, that we **MUST** do something about the poor state of our roads. We all know how we got here. Four years of plummeting sales tax receipts due to the worst recession in our lifetimes. Cuts in city departments due to massively shrinking budgets. Deep cuts in Tucson's allocation of state HURF funds, which are earmarked for transportation.

So here we are. The roads are in terrible shape, and although Mayor and Council devoted \$20 million in this year's budget to road repair, it's a drop in the bucket compared to the need.

The question is, what are we going to do about it? We can either say, "Oh well," and kick the can down the road, or we can take the bold action necessary to fix our roads.

The Pima County Democratic Party urges you to vote FOR Prop 409.

With this bond, 143 miles of major streets and 147 miles of residential streets in Tucson will be resurfaced over the next five years. The bond funds will not be spent on anything else, and no change can be made to the purpose of bond funds without going back to the voters first.

The major roads to be repaved are all over town, benefitting us all.

All paving work will be competitively bid out to private sector businesses, with the City's procurement policy benefitting local contractors and subcontractors. What does that mean? This is a major **JOBS** bill for Tucson. It will put hundreds more people to work, right away.

And, it's a critical investment in our future. Strong infrastructure is necessary to have strong economic development. **Let's not let this opportunity pass. Vote YES!**

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