

# COUNTY OF MARIN

## Voter Information Guide

### SPECIAL ELECTION

Madrone Park Circle

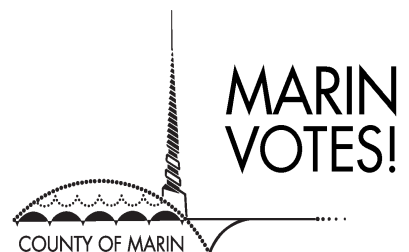
Permanent Road Division

**Tuesday, November 7, 2023**

**There is no Vote Center for this Special Election since your precinct has fewer than 250 voters.**

- Return your ballot by mail (postmark on envelope must be on or before Election Day) or return it into an Official Drop Box at the Civic Center.
- Drop Boxes open beginning October 10, at 3501 Civic Center Dr., San Rafael. Drive up box (24/7) on Vera Schultz Drive. Walk up box (office hours) in Room 121.
- Voter Services at the Elections Department beginning October 9, until 8 p.m. on Election Day. Office hours: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays; 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day. Ballot Drop Boxes close precisely at 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

**Marin County Elections Department**  
3501 Civic Center Drive, Room 121  
San Rafael, CA 94903  
415-473-6456  
[elections@marincounty.org](mailto:elections@marincounty.org)

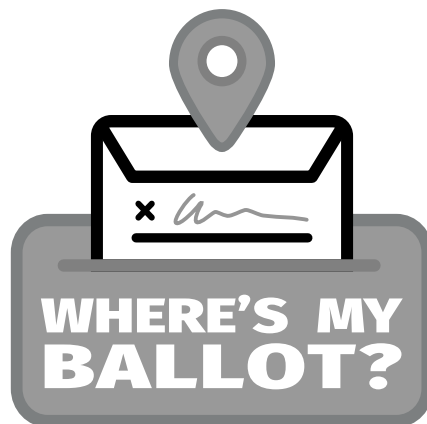


# VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE

The following pages contain

## Measure Information

Arguments in "support of" or in "opposition to" the proposed laws are the opinions of the authors.



### **VOTE SAFE.**

Get a notice when your vote-by-mail ballot is mailed, received, and processed! Sign up at [WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov](https://WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov) to get an automatic email, text, or call about the status of your ballot.

### **VOTE SECURE.**

Every signature on a vote-by-mail envelope is compared to the voter's information on file. If the signature doesn't compare, the voter will get a letter with information about how to correct it. After ballots are accepted for counting, they are removed from their envelopes in a way that protects voter privacy. Once removed, ballots are counted by scanning equipment then sealed in containers that may be opened only for an audit after the election. Voter privacy and votes are protected during the entire process.

### **VOTE BY MAIL!**

Postage is pre-paid! Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked on or before November 7 and received by the Elections Department by November 14.

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| <b>MEASURES SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS</b>  |
| <b>DISTRICT</b>  |
| <b>MADRONE PARK CIRCLE<br/>PERMANENT ROAD DIVISION</b>   |
| <b>MEASURE B</b>   |
| <p>Shall Madrone Park Circle Permanent Road Division adopt a special tax on parcels within the Division of \$1,569 per improved parcel and \$785 per unimproved parcel per year, generating approximately \$39,229 annually, for 10 years beginning Fiscal Year 2024-2025 and thereafter assess on improved parcels \$250 and unimproved parcels \$125 per year, generating approximately \$6,250 annually, for ongoing maintenance, with an annual increase effective July 1 in accordance with the change in the State of California Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the previous calendar year?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <input type="radio"/> TAX - YES      <input type="radio"/> TAX - NO </p> |

**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL  
MADRONE PARK CIRCLE  
PERMANENT ROAD DIVISION  
SPECIAL PARCEL TAX MEASURE  
MEASURE B**

This Measure was placed on the ballot by a petition signed by the requisite number of voters of the Madrone Park Circle Permanent Road Division and approved by the Board of Supervisors.

If this Measure is approved by two-thirds of the votes cast on this special tax proposal, parcels within Madrone Park Circle Permanent Road Division shall pay a parcel tax of \$1,569 per year for each improved parcel and \$785 per year for each unimproved parcel. These payments shall be for a period of ten years beginning July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2034. Beginning on July 1, 2034, through June 30, 2049, parcels within Madrone Park Circle Permanent Road Division shall pay a parcel tax of \$250 per year for each improved parcel and \$125 for each unimproved parcel.

The estimated revenue from this Measure will be approximately \$39,229 annually for the first ten years and approximately \$6,250 annually for the next fifteen years. Beginning on July 1, 2035, the rate of the special tax shall be increased annually based upon the State of California Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the previous calendar year.

The stated purposes for the funds raised by this special tax are to borrow against the projected tax proceeds to fund roadway improvements and maintenance recommended for the roadways within the Madrone Park Circle Permanent Road Division.

s/BRIAN E. WASHINGTON, County Counsel

**ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE B**

VOTE YES for a safe and stable Madrone Park Circle. Your YES VOTE means that we will collectively fund the repair of the retaining wall near the mailboxes and on-going road maintenance. This measure has overwhelming support among property owners—75% support this measure. Repairing our road is necessary to protect access to our homes for family and friends. Repairing our road means emergency first responders can provide life saving emergency assistance. Repairing our road means we have a safe emergency exit route, if needed.

No viable alternative exists. The County of Marin Board of Supervisors formed the Permanent Road Division district and placed this funding measure on the ballot. Why? Because over 75% of property owners signed petitions asking for it. If this measure does not pass, then the road repair and maintenance will be without a funding source and without a path forward. Our road will continue to deteriorate, and the retaining wall will eventually fail.

We have all seen the tarps, cones and sandbags—stop gaps to slow down the road failing. We all must take action now, VOTE YES to repair and maintain our road. This is the only viable way to make our road safe and stable.

SHANNON C. O'HARA  
Madrone Park Circle Resident

DAVID GREEN  
Madrone Park Circle Resident

MICHEAL JORDAN  
Madrone Park Circle Resident

ANDREA STARIHA  
Madrone Park Circle Resident

LOGAN DWIGHT  
Madrone Park Circle Resident

**ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE B**

No argument against Measure B was filed.

**FULL TEXT OF MEASURE B**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-64**

**RESOLUTION OF THE MARIN COUNTY BOARD  
OF SUPERVISORS**

**CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION  
SCHEDULED ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023  
ON A MEASURE ADOPTING A SPECIAL TAX UPON  
PARCELS WITHIN THE MADRONE PARK CIRCLE  
PERMANENT ROAD DIVISION FOR THE PURPOSE  
OF FINANCING IMPROVEMENTS AND ONGOING  
MAINTENANCE OF ROADWAYS WITHIN THE  
DIVISION; ADOPTING INTENDED BALLOT  
LANGUAGE; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY  
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS TO TAKE APPROPRIATE  
ACTION**

**WHEREAS**, this Board has received a petition signed by a majority of property owners within the Madrone Park Circle Permanent Road Division pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 1170; and

**WHEREAS**, the petition recommends certain improvements and maintenance be performed on the roadways within the division and that an election be held on November 7, 2023 on a special tax to pay for the cost of the work; and

**WHEREAS**, the petition proposes to levy a special tax of \$1,569 per improved parcel and \$785 per unimproved parcel per year for 10 years, generating approximately \$39,229 annually, beginning in Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Thereafter, each improved parcel shall be assessed \$250 and each unimproved parcel shall be assessed \$125 per year, generating approximately \$6,250 annually, for ongoing maintenance, with a provision for an annual increase effective July 1 in accordance with the change in the State of California Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the previous calendar year; and

**WHEREAS**, should the tax pass by 2/3rds of the votes cast by registered voters in the district, the Madrone Park Circle Permanent Road Division may borrow against the projected tax proceeds for the improvement project assessment term in order to fund the roadway work in advance. Loan and financing costs shall be paid for by Madrone Park Circle Permanent Road Division tax proceeds; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Street and Highways Code Section 1173, when a division petitions for a special tax, the Board shall immediately order the election to determine whether such tax will be levied.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that this Board of Supervisors hereby orders as follows:

1. Should the tax pass by 2/3rds of the votes cast by registered voters in the district, the Madrone Park Circle Permanent Road Division may borrow against the projected tax proceeds for the improvement project assessment term in order to fund the roadway work in advance. Loan and financing costs shall be paid for by Madrone Park Circle Permanent Road Division tax proceeds.
2. The tax will start beginning Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Assessments will be shown on annual tax bills in two installments with payments due by December 10 and

April 10 respectively.

3. That the parcels as indicated on the map in **Exhibit A and Exhibit B** attached hereto be the parcels boundaries of the Division and that any tax to be levied will be on the parcels set forth in **Exhibit A and Exhibit B**.
4. That a special election be called, and that the Registrar of Voters conduct said election, and further that the Clerk of the Board post the Notice of Election, attached hereto as **Exhibit C**, calling for a special election of November 7, 2023, and such notice to be posted and published in the manner provided California Streets and Highways Code Section 1174.
5. The Measure to be submitted to the voters shall be in the following form:

**MEASURE SUBMITTED TO VOTE OF VOTERS OF  
MADRONE PARK CIRCLE PERMANENT ROAD  
DIVISION FOR APPROVAL OF SPECIAL TAX AND  
LOAN AND ITS REPAYMENT**

Shall Madrone Park Circle Permanent Road Division adopt a special tax on parcels within the Division of \$1,569 per improved parcel and \$785 per unimproved parcel per year, generating approximately \$39,229 annually, for 10 years beginning Fiscal Year 2024-2025 and thereafter assess on improved parcels \$250 and unimproved parcels \$125 per year, generating approximately \$6,250 annually, for ongoing maintenance, with an annual increase effective July 1 in accordance with the change in the State of California Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the previous calendar year?

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin held on this 11th day of July 2023, by the following vote:

**AYES:** SUPERVISORS  
Stephanie Moulton-Peters, Dennis Rodoni,  
Mary Sackett, Eric Lucan, Katie Rice

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** None

s/**STEPHANIE MOULTON-PETERS**  
President, Board of Supervisors

**ATTEST:**

s/**JOYCE EVANS**  
Clerk

**EXHIBIT A: BOUNDARIES OF THE            MADRONE PARK CIRCLE  
PERMANENT ROAD DIVISION**



**EXHIBIT B: PARCEL INFORMATION OF THE MADRONE PARK CIRCLE  
(MPC) PERMANENT ROAD DIVISION**

|    | Assessors<br>Parcel # | Property Address       | Improved<br>(Y/N) |
|----|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| 1  | 048-021-03            | 16 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 2  | 048-021-04            |                        | N                 |
| 3  | 048-021-05            | 22 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 4  | 048-021-08            |                        | N                 |
| 5  | 048-021-09            |                        | N                 |
| 6  | 048-021-10            | 26 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 7  | 048-021-11            | 24 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 8  | 048-022-03            | 3 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE  | Y                 |
| 9  | 048-022-04            | 35 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 10 | 048-022-05            | 21 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 11 | 048-022-06            | 25 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 12 | 048-023-01            |                        | N                 |
| 13 | 048-023-02            | 4 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE  | Y                 |
| 14 | 048-023-16            | 14 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 15 | 048-023-25            | 12 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 16 | 048-023-26            | 8 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE  | Y                 |
| 17 | 048-081-07            |                        | N                 |
| 18 | 048-081-08            | 68 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 19 | 048-081-09            | 70 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 20 | 048-081-10            | 74 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 21 | 048-081-11            |                        | N                 |
| 22 | 048-081-16            | 50 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 23 | 048-081-17            |                        | N                 |
| 24 | 048-081-18            | 58 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 25 | 048-081-20            | 44 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 26 | 048-082-01            | 39 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 27 | 048-082-05            | 47 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 28 | 048-082-20            | 51 MADRONE PARK CIRCLE | Y                 |
| 29 | 048-082-21            |                        | N                 |



# MARIN VOTES! BY MAIL



**Return your ballot by mail - Must be postmarked on or before November 7. Or return your ballot into an Official Ballot Drop Box (locations on front page). Drop Boxes close precisely at 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, November 7.**



## **How do I update my registration?**

Online at [registertovote.ca.gov](https://registertovote.ca.gov) OR by paper registration form, postmarked no later than October 23, 2023 for this election.



## **Will the post office forward my ballot?**

No. Forwarding a ballot is not allowed.



## **Can someone else pick up a ballot for me?**

Yes, with written permission a representative can pick up your ballot at the Elections Department. The required application is found at [marinvotes.org](https://marinvotes.org) under forms.



## **What if I lose my ballot or make a mistake?**

You may request a replacement be sent to you by mailing the application found at [marinvotes.org](https://marinvotes.org) (under forms) to the Elections Department; OR you may request an accessible ballot to mark at home by emailing [votebymail@marincounty.org](mailto:votebymail@marincounty.org) (RAVBM in subject line). If you make a mistake, you may call 415-473-6456 for instructions.



## **What if I forgot to sign my envelope?**

Only you (not someone else) must sign your envelope for your ballot to be counted. If your signature is missing OR does not compare with your voter registration, you will get a letter telling you how to correct the problem.



## **How do I return my vote by mail ballot?**

Mail it in your signed envelope, postmarked on or before Election Day, November 7, OR hand deliver to an Official Ballot Drop Box. Locations listed on front page of this pamphlet or at [marinvotes.org](https://marinvotes.org).



## **How do I know you received my ballot?**

Sign up at [WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov](https://WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov), check the Voter Information Portal (VIP) at [marinvotes.org](https://marinvotes.org), OR call the Elections Department at 415-473-6456.