

MEASURE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS

DISTRICT

**MARINWOOD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
SPECIAL TAX FOR PARAMEDIC SERVICES
MEASURE J**

J Shall Ordinance No. 13 be amended increasing the special tax for paramedic services effective July 1, 2003 in an amount not to exceed \$61.00 per year for each living unit, and a maximum of eight cents per square foot for each non-residential structure?

**MARINWOOD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
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IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL
MEASURE J**

If this Measure is approved by a two-thirds vote, the Marinwood Community Services District shall be authorized to amend Ordinance No. 13 by increasing the special tax for paramedic services effective July 1, 2003 in an amount not to exceed Sixty One Dollars (\$61.00) per year for each living unit, and a maximum of Eight Cents (\$0.08) per square foot for each non-residential structure.

Dated: August 22, 2002

PATRICK K. FAULKNER
County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE J

For over twenty-two years Marinwood Community Services District, along with other unincorporated County areas, has contracted with the City of San Rafael for paramedic services. Your approval of Measure J is needed to keep the paramedic program in place and to meet the costs associated with increased service.

In the past four years, there has been a significant increase in total emergency calls for paramedic service. In Marinwood alone, paramedic responses have gone from 168 in 1999 to 245 in 2001 — a 45% increase. Along with the volume of responses, costs for fuel, supplies, equipment and wages have increased as well.

To fully fund the paramedic program, the paramedic tax must be increased. Measure J will raise the maximum tax rate to \$61.00 for residential units and to 8 cents per square foot for non-residential structures. Annual taxes will be based on actual costs, but in any case cannot exceed the \$61.00 maximum.

The proceeds from this tax can only be spent on the paramedic program.

Your Marinwood Community Services District Directors and Fire Commissioners urge you to vote YES on Measure J.

- s/ Francis W. Rowley, President
Marinwood Association
- s/ Genevieve T. Bolding, President
Marinwood CSD Board of Directors
- s/ Howard Council, Past Member
Marinwood CSD Board of Directors
- s/ Cameron P. Case
Resident
- s/ Jeff Naylor, Chair
Marinwood Fire Commission

**NO ARGUMENT AGAINST THIS MEASURE
WAS SUBMITTED**

END OF MEASURE J

