

TOWN OF ROSS MEASURE G

<p>G MEASURE G: Shall there be a continuation of the four year special tax for paramedic services at the existing amount of \$42 (plus fifty cents County administrative fee) and incrementally increase if needed by \$3, not to exceed \$51 per year (plus fifty cents County administrative fee) per taxable living unit and per 1,500 square feet of structure developed parcel in non-residential use in the fourth year, to be collected in addition to fees for transport to the hospital charged to insurance providers for Ross Valley residents, with the appropriations limit increased by the amount of said tax for the next four years?</p>	YES
	NO

TOWN ATTORNEY'S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE G
TOWN OF ROSS
SPECIAL TAX FOR PARAMEDIC SERVICES

If this measure is approved by a two-thirds vote, the special tax for paramedic services administered by a Joint Powers Authority, the voters authorized in 1998, 2002 and 2006 will be continued with a tax of \$42 (plus fifty cents County administrative fee) incrementally increasing by \$3 if needed, not to exceed \$51 per year (plus fifty cents County administrative fee) per taxable living unit and per 1,500 square feet of developed parcel in non-residential use in the fourth year, to be collected in addition to fees for transport to the hospital charged to insurance providers for Ross Valley residents. The applicable appropriations limit pursuant to Article XIII B of the California Constitution will be increased in an amount equal to the proceeds of the special tax. The special tax and the corresponding increase in the appropriation limit expire on June 30, 2015.

s/HADDEN ROTH
 Town Attorney

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE G

Since 1982, the voters in the Ross Valley have overwhelmingly approved a special tax to provide paramedic service. To continue this high standard of emergency medical care for four more years, this measure must be re-approved.

The Ross Valley Paramedic Authority (RVPA) provides a base level service, which includes dedicated paramedic ambulances in the Ross Valley, 9-1-1 responses, defibrillators, the training of paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians, and ambulance transport to the hospital.

Your parcel tax covers the base level service, while the transport cost is charged to the user and is billed to insurance providers such as Medi-Cal, Medicare, and private insurance carriers. This is the standard policy of all paramedic provider agencies within Marin County.

In order to maintain the current high level of service our citizens deserve, we are requesting a continuation of the \$42 tax in the first year with a potential increase of \$3 a year for the remaining three years, up to a maximum of \$51. The actual increase will be determined each year. A fifty cent County administrative fee will also apply each year.

Our goal is to insure the maintenance of our current level of service, as well as continuously implementing improvements to this high quality of life support service.

We need YOUR vote to continue this vital service. Vote "YES" on Measure G.

s/CHRISTOPHER MARTIN
 Mayor, Town of Ross

s/CARLA SMALL
 Mayor Pro Tempore, Town of Ross

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE G WAS FILED.