

**MEASURE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS**

**DISTRICT**

**MARINWOOD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT  
SPECIAL TAX INCREASE AND  
APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT INCREASE  
MEASURE D**

**D** Shall the Marinwood CSD Special Tax for Fire Protection and Prevention be increased from a maximum of 12 to a maximum of 18 cents per square foot of living or working area and, for unimproved acreage, increased from forty dollars to sixty dollars per acre; and shall the appropriations limit be increased by the amount of this voter-approved tax?

**MARINWOOD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT  
SPECIAL TAX INCREASE AND  
APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT INCREASE  
FULL TEXT OF ORDINANCE NO. 15  
MEASURE D**

**ORDINANCE NO. 15**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MARINWOOD COMMUNITY  
SERVICES DISTRICT AMENDING ORDINANCE 12  
REGARDING A SPECIAL TAX FOR FIRE SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, on January 27, 1993 the Board of Directors of Marinwood Community Services District adopted Ordinance No. 12 imposing a special tax for fire services; and,

**WHEREAS**, on March 2, 1993, the voters of Marinwood Community Services District approved Ordinance No. 12; and,

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 12 set the maximum amount of the special tax at \$0.12/sq. ft. for improved property and forty dollars per acre for unimproved property; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the Marinwood Community Services District now desires to increase the maximum amount of the special tax for fire services,

**NOW THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MARINWOOD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION I.** Ordinance 12 of Marinwood Community Services District is hereby amended by deleting former Section II and replacing it with a new Section II, to read as follows:

**"Section II Special Tax Schedule**

**A. Improved Property**

The special tax which is imposed on improved property shall be increased from a maximum of 12 cents to a maximum of 18 cents per annum per square foot of living or working area on each structure, either residential or commercial, utilized for human habitation or commerce within the District.

**B. Unimproved Property**

The special tax which is imposed upon each unimproved parcel within the District shall be increased from forty (40) dollars to sixty (60) dollars per acre or fraction thereof."

**SECTION II.** In all other respects, Ordinance 12 shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION III. PUBLICATION.** This ordinance shall be and is hereby declared to be in full force and effect thirty (30) days from and after the date of its passage and shall be published once before the expiration of fifteen (15)

days after its passage, with the names of the directors voting for and against the same in the Independent Journal, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Marin.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** at a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Marinwood Community Services District, County of Marin, State of California, held on the 16<sup>th</sup> Day of September, 2003 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

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Walter K. Dods, President of the Board of Directors  
Marinwood Community Services District

ATTEST:

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Thomas D. Horne, Secretary to the Board of Directors  
Marinwood Community Services District

(SEAL)

**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL  
MEASURE D**

If this measure is approved by a two-thirds vote, the Marinwood Community Services District shall be authorized to increase the Marinwood Community Services Special Tax for Fire Protection and Prevention from a maximum of 12 cents (12¢) to a maximum of eighteen cents (18¢) per square foot of living or working area and from Forty Dollars (\$40.00) to Sixty Dollars (\$60.00) per acre for unimproved acreage. If the measure passes, the Marinwood Community Services District appropriations limit will be increased by the amount of the voter-approved tax.

Dated: August 14, 2003

PARTICK K. FAULKNER  
COUNTY COUSEL

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## ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE D

The Marinwood Community Services District Board asks your support for this measure. The fire-tax rate has not been increased for more than ten years, even though costs and expenses over which the Board has no control continue ever upward. For example, workers compensation insurance increased more than \$40,000 this year alone, almost double from last year.

Even in the face of a loss of over 15% total tax revenue that the State has taken from us to finance schools, we have had a balanced, though lean, budget and have continued to maintain a high level of fire service. Over the past ten years we have lost over \$1,300,000 property taxes to the State.

We have some of the best trained firefighters in the County who willingly provide extended services such as home-safety inspections, smoke-detector checks, and protection from rain and flooding.

The CSD Board members, your elected neighbors, have conscientiously considered this matter and after much deliberation have determined that this measure is necessary.

s/ Walter K. Dods, President  
Marinwood Community Services District  
Board of Directors

s/ Francis W. Rowley  
President, Marinwood Association

s/ Irving L. Schwartz, President  
Lucas Valley Estates Homeowners Association

s/ Donald B. Stiver  
Marinwood Fire Commissioner

s/ David S. Mitchell  
Director, Marinwood Community Services District

**NO ARGUMENT AGAINST THIS MEASURE**

**WAS SUBMITTED**

**END OF MEASURE D**

