MEASURE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS

DISTRICT

MESA PARK (FIREHOUSE COMMUNITY PARK AGENCY) SPECIAL PARCEL TAX MEASURE S

Shall Ordinance Three of the Board of Commissioners of Mesa Park (formally known as Firehouse Community Park Agency) be confirmed, establishing a special tax of \$36 per improved parcel for the maintenance and operation of a public park? The tax will commence with fiscal year 2003-2004 and continue for a period of 4 years, unless further extended by the voters.

MESA PARK (FIREHOUSE COMMUNITY PARK AGENCY) SPECIAL PARCEL TAX IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS BY COUNTY COUNSEL MEASURE S

If this Measure is approved by a two-thirds vote, Ordinance Three of the Board of Commissioners of Mesa Park (formerly known as Firehouse Community Park Agency) establishing a special tax of Thirty Six Dollars (\$36.00) per improved parcel for the maintenance and operation of a public park, commencing in fiscal year 2003-2004 and continuing for a period of four (4) years, shall be confirmed.

Dated: August 22, 2002

PATRICK K. FAULKNER County Counsel

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE S

Mesa Park can no longer be run on a volunteer basis, relying on fundraisers to pay for the basic costs of operating and maintaining the park. A parcel tax of \$36 per year, which would expire in 4 years unless extended by the voters, would provide just enough to pay essential costs such as utilities, insurance and maintenance. Fees for league use of the playfields and grants for improvements will continue to be needed.

Although not everyone uses the park, the same is true with schools, libraries, paramedics, and other tax-supported community services.

With the upcoming addition of a skatepark to the existing three playfields, playground and a basketball court, the benefits to our community are well worth a \$3 a month per parcel.

Every community needs a safe place for its children to play. As federal and state monies become more scarce, each community is asked to provide for its own needs. Our time is now.

- s/ Jack Siedman
- s/ Mark Fraser
- s/ Kim J. Bender
- / Geoff R. Geupel

NO ARGUMENT AGAINST THIS MEASURE WAS SUBMITTED

END OF MEASURE S

