

# DID YOU KNOW?

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT

# MEASURE O

## ESSENTIAL SERVICES FOR SAUSALITO

### What does Measure O do?

**Measure O**, the City of Sausalito Essential Services Measure, addresses important community concerns and provides locally-controlled funds for general city services and infrastructure, such as repairing storm drains, fixing streets and potholes, maintaining sidewalks, and upgrading parks.

### What does it cost?

**Measure O** is a temporary, half-cent sales tax that expires automatically after 10 years.

**Measure O** will not be charged on your home or property, groceries or prescription medication.

### Who pays for Measure O?

With tens of thousands of tourists coming to Sausalito each year, **Measure O** ensures that out-of-towners pay their fair share for the strain they place on our local services.



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## INFORMATION ABOUT

# MEASURE O

### Dear Neighbor:

I am writing to inform you about **Measure O – the City of Sausalito Essential Services Measure**. If approved by voters, it will enact a half-cent sales tax to provide locally controlled funds for repairing storm drains, fixing streets and potholes, maintaining sidewalks, and upgrading parks.

Many Sausalito streets and roads are deteriorating and riddled with cracks, even along steep hillsides. **Measure O** funds are needed to fix hazardous road conditions that put motorists, buses, cyclists, police and fire safety vehicles at risk. **Measure O** will help fund vital storm drain upgrades to protect water quality, avoiding expensive fines and harm to the environment.

**Measure O** was placed on the November ballot to help protect the services that our community has said are important, including:

- Repairing and maintaining 80-year-old storm drains to prevent pollutants, garbage, and sediment from entering the Bay
- Fixing potholes
- Maintaining and repairing neighborhood streets
- Fixing broken and potentially unsafe sidewalks
- Maintaining Sausalito's long-term financial viability
- Upgrading deteriorating neighborhood parks

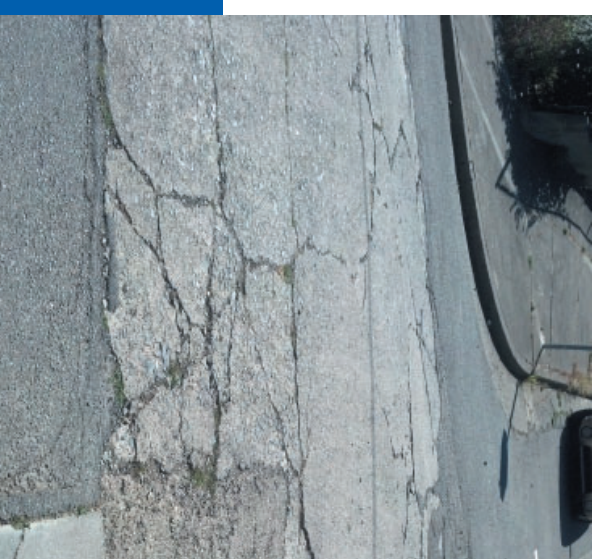
By law, **Measure O** funds are subject to strict fiscal accountability requirements, and cannot be taken by the State.

Sincerely,

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# ANSWERING YOUR QUESTIONS ABOUT SAUSALITO MEASURE O



## ESSENTIAL SERVICES FOR SAUSALITO



### What is Measure O?

The City Council has placed Measure O – the City of Sausalito Essential Services Measure – on the November ballot to maintain the City’s long-term financial viability and improve local quality of life and essential city services. Measure O provides funding for general city services and infrastructure, such as repairing storm drains, fixing streets and potholes, maintaining sidewalks, upgrading parks, and maintaining landscaping and tree trimming.

### Why was Measure O placed on the ballot?

With Sacramento money grabs continually threatening local funding, Measure O provides a guaranteed source of local funding to address essential services that cannot be taken by the State. Without Measure O, the City does not have the funds necessary to address critical infrastructure needs, including repairing deteriorated storm drains and roads, while maintaining long-term financial viability.

### How can Measure O impact local services?

Measure O provides funding to improve general city services, including:

- Repairing 80-year old deteriorating storm drains
- Maintaining storm drains to prevent pollutants, garbage, and sediment from entering the Bay
- Fixing potholes, maintaining, and repairing neighborhood streets
- Fixing broken and potentially unsafe sidewalks
- Upgrading deteriorating neighborhood parks
- Maintaining the long-term financial viability

### How can Measure O funds help protect the Bay?

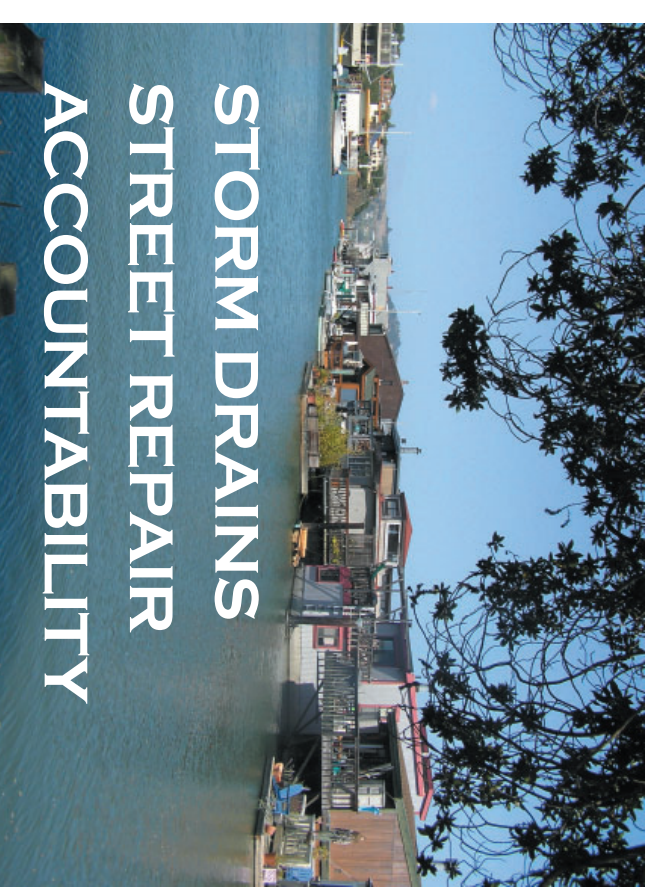
Sausalito’s 80-year-old storm drains are deteriorated and many are completely rusted through, which allows pollutants, garbage and plastics to spill into the Bay. Measure O provides funding for needed storm drain upgrades that protect water quality, avoiding expensive fines or harm to the environment.

### What about local streets?

Many of Sausalito’s neighborhood streets and roads are not only deteriorating and riddled with cracks, but are also on steep hillsides. While the city has made major improvements to a number of streets, it has not been able to address the concrete streets that are in the worst condition, which cost up to five times as much to fix. Measure O funds are needed to fix these hazardous road conditions that put motorists, buses, cyclists, police and fire safety vehicles at risk.

### Is Measure O fiscally accountable?

Measure O is subject to strict fiscal accountability and transparency requirements. Measure O funds are subject to independent, annual financial audits and published expenditure reports to make sure the City accounts for every dollar. Funds are legally required to stay in Sausalito for local services and cannot be taken by Sacramento.



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