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INFORMATION ON MEASURE F

DEAR NEIGHBORS:

Last month the Sausalito City Council placed Measure F, the Sausalito Park Improvement/Safety Measure, on our November 3, 2015 ballot. I am writing to provide information about Measure F so that residents can make an informed decision on this issue that impacts local parks.

Sausalito's parks are old, deteriorating and need significant repairs and safety upgrades. Measure F authorizes the City to proceed with previously-approved financing to make needed improvements and upgrades to Robin Sweeny Park, Southview Park, Dunphy Park and the MLK site. Measure F does not create a new tax or raise existing taxes.

The City has worked for years with the Parks and Recreation Commission, Friends of Dunphy Park, and park stakeholders and users to plan park improvements that include:

- Bringing parks up to current safety standards
- Replacing unsafe playground equipment
- Upgrading safety lighting
- Adding a needed restroom
- Repairing leaky roofs, deteriorating buildings, and hillside retaining walls
- Improving play courts and sports fields
- Restoring wetlands and natural areas

Many of these projects are shovel ready and can begin in the next few months, but only with the funding that Measure F provides.

Measure F allows the City to finance these park improvements with no increase in taxes. To learn more about Measure F, visit the City's website at www.ci.sausalito.ca.us and sign up for the Sausalito Currents email newsletter to stay informed.

Sincerely,

MIKE LANGFORD

Sausalito Parks and Recreation Director



MEASURE F

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q: WHAT IS MEASURE F?

A: Measure F is the Sausalito Park Improvement/ Safety Measure. Measure F finances essential improvements and upgrades to Robin Sweeny Park, Southview Park, Dunphy Park and the MLK site through standard, public financing used by scores of cities and public agencies. Measure F improves these parks without creating a new tax or raising existing taxes.



Q: HOW DOES MEASURE F ADDRESS PARK NEEDS?

A: Sausalito's parks are old, deteriorating and need significant repairs and safety upgrades. Without increasing taxes, Measure F would bring our parks up to today's safety codes and standards, improve playgrounds/safety lighting, add a needed restroom, repair leaky roofs/deteriorating buildings, and restore wetlands. Up-to-date parks give children safe places to play, improve recreation spaces for seniors, and contribute to local property values.

Q: WHY NOW?

A: City engineers have identified \$7.2 million in needed park repairs and upgrades and have worked for years with the community to plan for improvements. Measure F allows the City to move forward and make repairs now, before they become more expensive in the future. With Measure F funding, upgrades to Robin Sweeney Park are scheduled to start this winter when the park is least busy.

Q: CAN THESE UPGRADES BE MADE WITHOUT MEASURE F?

A: No. Additional funds are needed to implement these major parks improvements. Measure F authorizes a fiscally-responsible, financing plan that leverages existing resources to fund park improvements without raising taxes. Measure O funding, enacted last year, is making long-overdue repairs to storm drains and streets – projects identified by residents as top priorities for these funds.

