



# TOWN OF FAIRFAX

## STAFF REPORT

### May 4, 2022

**TO:** Mayor and Town Council

**FROM:** Heather Abrams, Town Manager

**SUBJECT:** Endorse Marin County Measure A Parks

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#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Endorse Marin County Measure A Parks.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Measure A's quarter-cent sales tax supports parks, open space, and agricultural lands across Marin. Measure A funds can't be used for any other purpose.

In 2012, voters approved a one-quarter of one percent sales tax (County Ordinance 3586) to support parks, open space, and agricultural lands across Marin. In accordance with this law, for the past nine years funds raised by Parks Measure A have been spent on parks and open space, farmland preservation, recreation in Marin's nineteen cities and towns, and land acquisition.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The statewide ballot in June will include the renewal of the Measure A quarter-cent sales tax in Marin County over a nine-year period to support parks and open space. The Marin County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the tax measure's reimplementation during its [February 15, 2022 meeting](#), with some changes from the 2012 measure that is expiring March 31.

Since 2013, Measure A funds have supported infrastructure repairs, vegetation management, conservation, and public programs. the development of park master plans, the Inclusive Access plan, and other initiatives that keep parks and open spaces enjoyable, safe, and sustainable.

In Fairfax, Measure A has funded projects including Peri Park Playground equipment, fire fuel reduction, repair and maintenance of pedestrian trails, and Women's Club improvements. The Town receives between \$26,000 and \$61,000 in Measure A funds each year.

To learn more, please visit <https://www.parks.marincounty.org/about-us/measure-a>.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

None associated with the endorsement.

#### **ATTACHMENT**

None