
RPV RESIDENTS IN FAVOR OF MEASURE C AND OPPOSED TO MEASURE D

No on Measure D

FAQ – Frequently Asked Questions

What is Measure D?

Measure D is a costly, flawed and ill-conceived measure designed to undermine the city's efforts to repair our storm drains for political gain. The measure would repeal a voter approved storm drain fee passed in 2005. The city has already incurred costs to begin the process of repairing our dilapidated system and Measure D would see all those funds wasted, as well as jeopardize community health and safety.

Why is Measure D on the ballot?

The repeal of the user fee can largely be summed up in one word – politics. Those who would repeal the fee suggest its about fees or financial reserves, but the truth is parcel owners voted to impose the fee upon themselves to prevent future danger to their property and the city. Unfortunately, it also appears as if the proponents of the Measure may be using the issue as a campaign stunt for their campaign for city council.

What happens if Measure D passes?

If Measure D were to pass, the work begun on broken storm drains throughout the city would stop. The current financial condition of the city would require the council to dip into reserves, and, depending on the need, possibly create unwarranted pressures on the quality and delivery of other city services.

Wouldn't the city of Rancho Palos Verdes be liable for damages incurred by failing storm drains?

Absolutely. In fact, as a result of damages incurred during the last major storm, the city of Rancho Palos Verdes was subject to \$12 million in civil damage claims. There is no doubt that a failing storm drain system places the cities finances in jeopardy as a result of any claims that may be sought as a result of their failure.

What affect would this have on property values?

While it's impossible to say for certain, it's not difficult to conclude that sinkholes and failing storm drains will be cause for any prospective buyer to be wary of purchasing property in a city that doesn't maintain basic necessities. Sinkholes, failing storm drains, dangerous and unhealthy run-off all suggest a decrease in property values

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