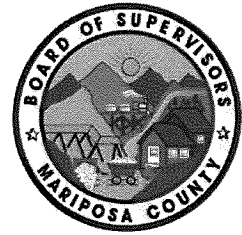


MARIPOSA COUNTY

Treasurer-Tax Collector-County Clerk ·



RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2021-587

MEETING: October 19, 2021
TO: The Board of Supervisors
FROM: Keith Williams, Treasurer/Tax Collector
RE: Initiative Petition

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Accept the Certification of Initiative Petition Dated October 13, 2021 with Respect to the Citizen Initiative Petition Titled “An Initiative to Adopt a Transactions and Use (Sales) Tax of 1% for 40 years to design, construct, and equip a new John C. Fremont Hospital” that was Filed with the Registrar of Voters on September 28, 2021; and submit the ordinance, without alteration, to the voters pursuant to Elections Code Section 1405.

On September 28, 2021, members of the Citizens to Save the Hospital submitted an Initiative Petition to Adopt a Transactions and Use (Sales) Tax to benefit the John C. Fremont Hospital. On October 13, 2021, County Clerk staff verified that the petition qualifies as a valid petition, and is hereby certified as being signed by 10% or more of the votes cast in the county for all candidates for Governor at the last gubernatorial election preceding publication of the notice of intention to circulate this initiative petition.

With receipt of a valid petition, and the certified signature percentage amounting to 10% or more, the Board must now do one of the following as required by California Elections Code (EC) 9118:

- (a) Adopt the ordinance, without alteration, at the regular meeting at which the certification of the petition is presented, or within 10 days after it is presented.
- (b) Submit the ordinance, without alteration, to the voters pursuant to EC Section 1405.
- (c) Order a report pursuant to EC Section 9111 at the regular meeting at which the certification of the petition is presented. When the report is presented to the board of supervisors, the board shall either adopt the ordinance within 10 days or order an election pursuant to subdivision (b).

If the Board chooses to submit the ordinance to the electorate (option number 2 above)

then EC section 1405 also requires that it do one of the following:

- 1) Order that the Initiative Petition/Measure shall be added to the June 7, 2022 ballot (the regularly scheduled Statewide Primary election); or
- 2) Call a special election for the Initiative Petition/Measure not less than 88 days nor more than 103 days after October 19, 2021.

Given the numerous state propositions that have reserved the right of taxation to the electorate, staff is recommending that the Board submit the ordinance, without alteration, to be considered by the voters with the regularly scheduled Statewide Primary election to be held on June 7, 2022.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

No Board actions exist on this particular initiative, however, the Board has played a role in other past Election-related matters including acceptance of past petitions, certifications of votes cast, etc.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The Board may order that the initiative be approved and adopted, without alteration. It may also order a report, pursuant to Elections Code section 9111, which must be returned to the Board within ten days.

ATTACHMENTS:

Certification (PDF)

Citizens to Save the Hospital Initiative Ordinance (PDF)

Elections Code 1405 (PDF)

Elections Code 9118 (PDF)

Elections Code 9111 (PDF)

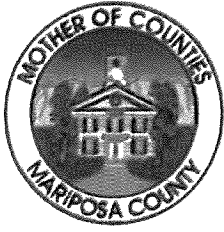
PUBLIC INPUT - Received by Clerk of the Board from the Citizens to Save the Hospital (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Miles Menetrey, District V Supervisor

SECONDER: Wayne Forsythe, District IV Supervisor

AYES: Smallcombe, Sweeney, Long, Forsythe, Menetrey



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CERTIFICATE OF INITIATIVE PETITION

I, Keith Williams, Registrar of Voters for the County of Mariposa, State of California, hereby certify:

That the petition titled **"An Initiative to Adopt a Transactions and Use (Sales) Tax of 1% for 40 years to design, construct and equip a new John C. Fremont Hospital"** was filed with the Registrar of Voters office on September 28, 2021;

That said petition consists of **102** sections; containing **1706** signatures;

That each section contains signatures purporting to be the signatures of qualified electors residing within the County of Mariposa;

That attached to this petition at the time it was filed was an affidavit purporting to be the affidavit of the person who solicited the signatures, and containing the dates between which the purported qualified electors signed this petition;

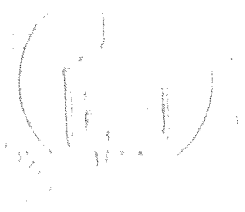
That the affiant stated his or her own qualifications, that he or she had solicited the signatures upon that section, that all of the signatures were made in his or her presence, and that to the best of his or her information and belief each signature to that section was the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be;

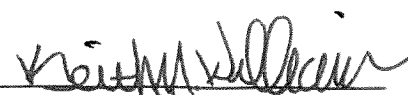
That after the proponent filed this petition, pursuant to Sections 9118 of the California Elections Code, a full check of the signatures was conducted by examining the records of registration within County of Mariposa, current and in effect at the respective purported dates of such signing, to determine what number of qualified electors signed the petition, and from that examination, I have determined the following facts regarding this petition:

1. Number of signatures filed by proponent (raw count)	1,706
2. Number of signatures verified	957
a. Number of signatures found SUFFICIENT	824
b. Number of signatures found INSUFFICIENT	133
3. NOT SUFFICIENT because DUPLICATE	9
4. Required number of valid signatures	823

That pursuant to Section 9118 of the California Elections Code, the projected number of valid signatures is more than the required 10%, and that therefore, the petition has been signed by the requisite number of qualified electors needed and based thereon is deemed sufficient;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this thirteenth day of October 2021.




Keith M Williams, Registrar of Voters