

**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS FOR MEASURE E2016
FORMATION OF THE ISLA VISTA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**

This measure was placed on the ballot by the Board of Supervisors pursuant to direction by the Local Agency Formation Commission (“LAFCO”) under Government Code section 61250(c)(4). This ballot measure is to determine if the voters in the proposed Isla Vista Community Services District authorize the formation of the District. A “YES” vote by a majority of voters means that the District shall be formed. A “NO” vote is a vote against formation. If approved, the formation date will be March 1, 2017.

The District would encompass a population of approximately 15,000 residents in the unincorporated area of Santa Barbara County known as Isla Vista and is approximately a half square mile, coterminous with the boundaries of County Service Area No. 31, excluding any property owned by the Regents of the University of California within those boundaries.

Effective January 1, 2016, Government Code section 61250 was added to the Community Services District Law to provide for establishment of the District. LAFCO was required to order formation, but had discretion to determine which services could be provided and to establish the utility user tax rate.

LAFCO ordered the formation of the District, subject to voter approval, determined which services may be provided, and set the utility user tax rate at 8 percent. The utility user tax is subject a separate ballot measure that requires two-thirds voter approval. Approved services are:

- (A) Finance the operations of municipal advisory councils.
- (B) Tenant mediation program.
- (C) Finance the operations of area planning commissions.
- (D) Exercise the powers of a parking district.
- (E) Contract with the County of Santa Barbara or the Regents of the University of California, or both, for additional police protection services to supplement the level of police protection services already provided by either the County of Santa Barbara or the Regents of the University of California within the area of the district.
- (F) Acquire, construct, improve, maintain, and operate community facilities, including, but not limited to, community centers, libraries, theaters, museums, cultural facilities, and child care facilities.
- (G) Acquire, construct, improve, and maintain sidewalks, lighting, gutters, and trees to supplement the level of service already provided by either the County of Santa Barbara or County Service Area 31.

(H) Abate graffiti.

The District board of directors shall be as follows:

(A) Five members elected at large from within the district as follows:

(i) Four members shall be elected for terms of four years. For the first election of the board of directors of the district, two members shall be elected for a term of two years and two members shall be elected for a term of four years.

(ii) One member shall be elected for a term of two years.

(B) One member appointed by the Board of Supervisors for a term of two years for the first appointment following the creation of the district, and for a term of four years thereafter.

(C) One member appointed by the Chancellor of the University of California,
Santa Barbara for a term of four years.

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