IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS – MEASURE 7
REORGANIZATION OF THE GRANADA SANITARY DISTRICT INTO A COMMUNITY SERVICES
DISTRICT AND ADDING THE SERVICE OF PARKS AND RECREATION

This ballot measure is to determine if the voters in the Granada Sanitary District support
reorganization of the District into a Community Services District in order to add park and
recreation services. A “YES” vote on this measure is a vote for reorganizing the District into a
Community Services District authorized by Government Code Section 61000, which will
continue existing sewer and garbage collection services and add parks and recreation service. A
“NO” vote on this measure is a vote against reorganization of the District into a Community
Services District. A majority of the votes cast in favor of the measure is needed to approve the
reorganization. If the measure fails to receive a majority of the votes cast, the reorganization
will be terminated.

Granada Sanitary District boundaries include the communities of Granada, Princeton-by-the-Sea,
Miramar, northern Half Moon Bay, and rural areas extending eastward based on District
boundaries upon formation in 1955. The District’s current services of sewage collection,
treatment, and disposal district wide, and garbage and refuse collection, recycling, and disposal
in unincorporated territory of the District, will not change as a result of the reorganization. The
new services of community parks and recreation would be provided in the unincorporated
territory of the District and funded with a portion of the property tax the District receives. The
territory of the District located in Half Moon Bay which is already included in City parks and
recreation programs, would not be included in the District’s parks and recreation service area.
Instead, the District would pass through property tax for the purpose of parks and recreation
for this area to the City of Half Moon Bay.

The Reorganization was approved by the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) with
several conditions, including executing a contract with the County of San Mateo Parks
Department to implement initial parks and recreation facilities and programs. The District’s
proposed budget for the first five years of operation projects increases in annual sewer charges
from $415 in Fiscal Year 2014-15 to $485 in Fiscal Year 2018-19 as a result of shifting property
tax to fund parks and recreation service.

LAFCo reviewed the Granada Sanitary District Reorganization application, budget,
environmental document, and comments from the public and affected agencies. LAFCo
considered and approved the reorganization proposal on January 15, 2014. The protest process
that followed the LAFCo approval resulted in protest by one registered voter. Government Code
Section 61000 requires an election on the reorganization to create a Community Services
District. Registered voters within the current boundaries of Granada Sanitary District are
entitled to vote on the reorganization at the June 3, 2014 election.

The preceding statement is an impartial analysis of Measure 7. A copy of the measure can be
obtained by contacting the Elections Division at 650-312-5222.

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