

## TOWN OF DISCOVERY BAY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

## **RESOLUTION 2022-08**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TOWN OF DISCOVERY BAY TO OPPOSE INITIATIVE 21-0042A1

WHEREAS, the Town of Discovery Bay Community Services District ("District") is a government agency organized and existing under the laws of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, an association representing California's wealthiest corporations and developers is spending millions to push a deceptive proposition aimed for the November 2022 statewide ballot; and

WHEREAS, the proposed proposition, Initiative 21-0042A1, has received the official title: "LIMITS ABILITY OF VOTERS AND STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO RAISE REVENUES FOR GOVERNMENT SERVICES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT."

WHEREAS, the measure includes provisions that would make it more difficult for local voters to pass measures needed to fund local services and infrastructure, and would limit voter input by prohibiting local advisory measures where voters provide direction on how they want their local tax dollars spent; and

WHEREAS, the measure exposes taxpayers to a new wave of costly litigation, limits the discretion and flexibility of locally elected boards to respond to the needs of their communities, and injects uncertainty into the financing and sustainability of critical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the measure severely restricts state and local officials' ability to protect our environment, public health and safety, and our neighborhoods against corporations and others who violate the law; and

WHEREAS, the measure creates new constitutional loopholes that would allow corporations to pay less than their fair share for the impacts they impose on our communities, including local infrastructure, our environment, water quality, air quality, and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the measure threatens billions of dollars currently dedicated to state and local services, and could force cuts to Discovery Bay water, wastewater, lighting, landscaping, parks and recreation services, as well as public schools, fire and emergency response, law enforcement, public health, libraries, and more; and

**WHEREAS**, the measure would also reduce funding for critical infrastructure like streets and roads, public transportation, ports, drinking water, sanitation, utilities, levees, and more.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TOWN OF DISCOVERY BAY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: The above recitals are true and correct.

Section 2: The Town of Discovery Bay Community Services District opposes Initiative 21-0042A1.

Section 3. The Town of Discovery Bay Community Services District will join the No on Initiative 21-0042A1 coalition, a growing coalition of public safety, labor, local government, infrastructure advocates, and other organizations throughout the state.

Section 4: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Section 5: The General Manager is directed to email a copy of this adopted Resolution to the California Special Districts Association at advocacy@csda.net.

Section 4: The Board Secretary shall certify the adoption of this Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 6<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2022.

Kevin Graves Board President

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Town of Discovery Bay Community Services District at a regularly scheduled meeting, held on April 6, 2022, by the following vote of the Board:

AYES: 5 NOES: ABSENT: 4 ABSTAIN: 5

> Dina Breitstein Board Secretary