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DATE: February 27, 2024

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TO: RON MARKEGARD, Captain
Barstow Station

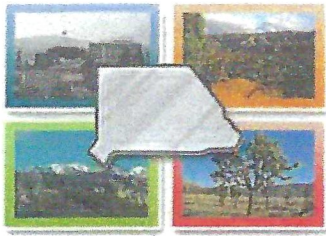
SUBJECT: NEWBERRY SPRINGS CSD STATS JANUARY 26, 2023 - FEBRUARY 26, 2024

Thursday, February 1, 2024 - Home Invasion Robbery: Deputies responded to a home invasion robbery on Duntroon Street regarding a 13-year old who was home alone had text his mother and reported 4 unknown suspects wearing black clothing, ski masks and one with gun with a silencer had broke into the home. The juvenile claimed he had run outside and was hiding. Deputies conducted a thorough investigation but was unable to locate any suspects. The juvenile later admitted to making the whole thing up because he was tired of being home alone while his parents were at work. DR #082400164

Saturday, February 3, 2024 - Death Investigation/House Explosion: Deputies responded to Riverside Road regarding a welfare check on an elderly couple who had not been heard from. While deputies were enroute to the call there was additional information about an explosion at the location. Upon deputy arrival, they found the home was destroyed from a gas explosion. Located in the explosion debris, deputies found a deceased male and severely injured female. Female was flown out to Antelope Valley Hospital for her injuries. Sheriff's Arson/Bomb Division responded to the location and investigated the cause of the explosion. DR #082400176

During the past month, deputies handled 149 calls for service, took 30 reports, made 15 traffic stops and made 3 arrests in the unincorporated areas of Newberry Springs.

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SENT VIA U.S. MAIL AND E-MAIL

February 23, 2024

**TO: Presidents of the Boards of Directors of the
Independent Special Districts in San Bernardino
County**

SUBJECT: Special Districts Selection Committee

This letter officially opens the nomination period for the position of Regular Special District member on the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) for San Bernardino County. The regular voting member position is currently held by Kimberly Cox from Mojave Water Agency, whose term of office is scheduled to expire May 6, 2024 pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 56334. Dr. Cox has indicated her intention to run for the position again.

The nomination period for this position will open on Monday, February 26, 2024, and end at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 28, 2024.

Per LAFCO's procedures, the signed original nomination form:

- Requires a board vote, with the name of each voting Board Member outlined, and certifying signature with date.
- Must be received in the LAFCO office by 5:00 p.m. on **March 28, 2024**, via mail, fax, or email scan.

If a copy of the nomination form is provided by fax or email by the March 28 deadline, LAFCO must receive the original signed copy by 5:00 p.m. on **April 4, 2024**, or the nomination will be declared invalid.

Enclosed with this letter is a sample nomination form for the position outlining the date of the action and District Board vote. Nominations submitted without a date will be returned to the District and will need to be re-submitted within the nomination period in order to be considered valid. If only a single candidate is nominated for the position, pursuant to the provision of Government Code Section 56332(f)(2), that candidate shall be deemed selected with no further vote required.

At the end of the nomination period, LAFCO staff will prepare and send, by certified mail, to each independent special district a ballot with the candidates nominated and the voting instructions.

A long-standing policy of the Selection Committee is to encourage balanced geographic representation with valley, desert and mountain districts seated on the Commission as voting or alternate members [Policy 2 of Section VI (Special Districts) of LAFCO Policy and Procedure Manual]. The position up for nomination is currently represented by the desert area.

Please let me know if you have any questions concerning the nomination process. You may contact me at the address listed above, by email at smartinez@lafco.sbcounty.gov, or by phone at (909) 388-0480.

Sincerely,



SAMUEL MARTINEZ
Executive Officer

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Enclosure: Regular Member Nomination Form

Response Requested: Special District Revenue Potentially Subject to Retroactive Invalidation by Initiative 1935

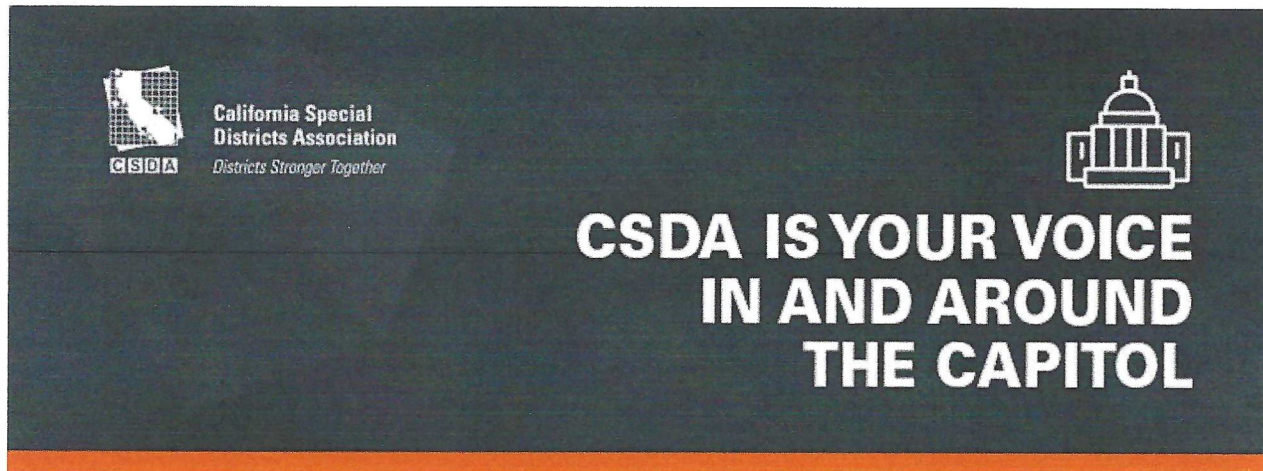
1 message

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Mon, Feb 26, 2024 at 11:05 AM

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Special District Revenue Potentially Subject to Retroactive Invalidation by Initiative 1935

If you answer “yes” to any of these questions, you should be very concerned, and we need your help:

- Has your special district adopted new fees, updated its fee or rate schedule, or passed a revenue measure of any kind since January 1, 2022?
- Does your district plan to adopt new fees or update your fee or rate schedule?
- Does your district plan to pass a tax revenue measure in the future?

An entity representing California’s wealthiest corporations is behind a proposition that is eligible for the November 2024 statewide ballot. The measure — Initiative 1935 (previously Initiative 21-0042A1) — would revise the state Constitution to significantly undermine local control and the ability of local governments to provide services and infrastructure.

*CSDA is asking all special districts to respond to the five-question survey linked below no later than **Friday, March 15** to help us understand the full story about the real impacts on our communities.*

TAKE SURVEY NOW

BACKGROUND:

- **Local Taxes:** Initiative 1935 would invalidate any revenue measures passed since January 1, 2022 that were put on the local ballot by citizen initiative requiring majority vote approval. The initiative would also repeal all taxes that do not contain a sunset (expiration date).
- **Fees, Rates, Assessments, and Other Charges:** Under the Initiative 1935, certain fees and charges may not exceed the “actual cost” of providing the product or service, and the initiative redefines “actual cost” as the “minimum amount necessary.” This ambiguous language could lead to countless lawsuits and would likely force local governments to reduce certain fees to meet the “minimum amount necessary” threshold or the charges could be determined to be taxes requiring two-thirds voter approval.

For more information on Initiative 1935, including the full language of the initiative, CSDA’s analysis, and a sample oppose resolution your board can approve, please visit csda.net/VoterLimitations.

JOIN US AT SPECIAL DISTRICTS LEGISLATIVE DAYS TO LEARN MORE:

Briefing on Critical Supreme Court Case Impacting Local Revenues and Government Functions

Wednesday, May 22, 2024

Sheraton Grand Sacramento

Legislature of the State of California et al. vs. Weber could determine the ability of special districts and other agencies to provide essential services and infrastructure to their communities. Join us for this briefing by Michael G. Colantuano, Esq., Managing Shareholder of Colantuono, Highsmith & Whatley, PC and author of the amicus brief to this landmark case jointly filed by CSDA, CalCities, California State Association of Counties and eight other local government association partners.

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