

CARMICHAEL RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT MEASURE G FAQ'S

While our parks and recreational facilities in the Carmichael Recreation and Park District have been well maintained over the years, many of them are outdated and in need of significant renovations. For these reasons, the District Board of Directors unanimously placed Measure G on the November 2022 ballot.

The following information is provided to assist voters in understanding the facts behind Measure G and how its passage will affect the District and our community.

Q: Why did the District place Measure G on the ballot?

A: Most of our parks and recreation facilities were built in the 1950's through 1960's, while our oldest, Vets Hall at Carmichael Park was first built over 70 years ago. Outdated or inadequate park facilities and grounds need major renovation and upgrade as well as some new projects to accommodate our larger population and community needs.

Q: What is Measure G?

A: Measure G is a \$31.9 million general obligation (G.O.) bond program. The measure is intended to address the district's need to upgrade and renovate existing parks, grounds, and recreational facilities in the Carmichael Rec and Park District, while also providing new opportunities to local residents.

Q: How did the District come up with the project list for Measure G?

A: Over the last 18 months, with input from staff, community leaders and the Board of Directors, the District has prepared a Facilities Needs Analysis. This list identifies the major repairs and upgrades to parks and facilities that need to be made. Specific types of projects identified include:

- ▶ Constructing and/or renovating aging restroom facilities
- ▶ Making safety and security improvements, including lighting and fencing
- ▶ Providing new playgrounds and park equipment
- ▶ Improving park amenities, including installing picnic tables, trash receptacles, and benches
- ▶ Improving handicap accessibility throughout the District

Q: What is A G.O. Bond?

A: G.O. bonds fund projects such as upgrades and renovations to existing parks, grounds, and recreational facilities. Similar to a home loan, G.O. bonds are typically repaid over 30 years. The loan repayment comes from a tax on all taxable property - residential, commercial, agricultural and industrial - located within the District's boundaries.



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Q: Why can't the District meet its facilities needs with its current budget?

A: Today, the scope of improvements needed at the Carmichael Recreation and Park District is far more than the current funding sources available. The rental fees which the district receives do not cover the cost of major upgrades and improvements to the facilities but rather just ongoing maintenance and small repairs.

Q: What will the passage of the Measure G mean for our community?

A: The Carmichael Recreation and Park District grounds and facilities are used by the entire community - local children, families, and senior citizens. Measure G will upgrade the parks and facilities throughout our community, which will provide more recreational opportunities for residents and visitors, protect open space, improve security, and increase property values.

Q: What will happen if Measure G does not pass?

A: If Measure G does not pass, our existing grounds and recreational facilities will continue to deteriorate. Major repairs will need to be postponed and as a result will potentially be more expensive to make.

Q: How can I be sure that all funds will be spent on improving our Park and Recreation facilities?

A: By law, all bond funds have to be spent locally and cannot be taken by the state and can only be spent on parks and facilities and not on salaries of staff or administrators. In addition, a local independent citizens' oversight committee will be established to ensure that Measure G funds are properly spent.

