



## **Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk Fact Sheet Special Parcel Tax Elections June 30, 2009**

### **OVERVIEW**

On June 30, 2009, the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) will be conducting the La Cañada Unified School District Special Parcel Tax Election and the Rowland Unified School District Special Parcel Tax Election. The elections are being conducted as special Vote by Mail elections.

- The purpose of the La Cañada Unified School District Special Parcel Tax Election is for voters to vote Yes or No on whether to levy a \$150 per parcel tax for five years (see page 2 for complete measure text).
- The purpose of the Rowland Unified School District Special Parcel Tax Election is for voters to vote Yes or No on whether to levy a \$120 tax per parcel for five years only (see page 2 for complete measure text).

The RR/CC has established satellite ballot drop off locations to be in operation on Election Day. The drop-off locations are provided for the convenience of voters. Voters in each district who did not have an opportunity to mail back their Vote by Mail ballot can use the location within their district to drop-off their voted ballot, as opposed to RR/CC Headquarters in Norwalk:

The satellite ballot drop off location for voters in the La Cañada Unified School District is:

**Where: La Cañada Flintridge Library - Lobby  
4545 North Oakwood Avenue  
La Canada Flintridge, CA 91011**

**When: Tuesday, June 30, 2009  
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

The satellite ballot drop off location for voters in the Rowland Unified School District is:

**Where: Rowland Heights Library – Lobby  
1850 Nogales Street  
Rowland Heights, CA 91748**

**When: Tuesday, June 30, 2009  
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

**Note: These are not voting locations.** RR/CC staff will be on hand at both locations to accept voted ballots only. A secured ballot box will be available at each location to house the ballots dropped off by voters. After 8:00 p.m., RR/CC staff at each location will secure the ballot box and deliver it with the voted ballot box to the RR/CC Headquarters.

For more information about the satellite ballot drop-off locations, voters can call the RR/CC at **(562) 466-1310 or (562) 466-1323.**

## **FACTS ABOUT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL PARCEL TAX ELECTIONS**

### **LA CAÑADA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION**

Ballot Groups:	1
Vote at Poll Precincts:	0
Vote by Mail Precincts:	51
Average Voters per Precinct:	243
Active Registered Voters:	12,410 (*Figure as of 6/17/09)
Vote by Mail Ballot Return Deadline:	Tuesday, June 30th, by 8:00 p.m.
Sample Ballot Translations:	Korean and Spanish
Estimated Cost of Election:	\$59,000

### **ROWLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION**

Ballot Groups:	1
Vote at Poll Precincts:	0
Vote by Mail Precincts:	76
Average Voters per Precinct:	554
Active Registered Voters:	42,095 (*Figure as of 6/17/09)
Vote by Mail Ballot Return Deadline:	Tuesday, June 30th, by 8:00 p.m.
Sample Ballot Translations:	Chinese, Korean, Spanish and Tagalog
Estimated Cost of Election:	\$127,000

## **ALL MAIL BALLOT ELECTIONS**

All eligible registered voters in both districts were automatically mailed Official Vote by Mail ballots and Sample Ballot booklets. Voters may also access Sample Ballot contents interactively on the RR/CC website [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net) and clicking *View Sample Ballot* in the *Online Services* box of the main page.

**Deadline for voted ballots to be received by the RR/CC: Tuesday, June 30th, by 8:00 p.m.**

NOTE: To be counted, voters must return their voted ballots by mail with sufficient time for delivery to the RR/CC by 8 p.m. on June 30th (postmarks are not acceptable), or in person to the RR/CC Headquarters, 12400 Imperial Hwy., Norwalk, CA 90650, or at the designated satellite ballot drop off location within the voter's district (see page 1 for locations).

**Replacement Ballots** – If voters damage or lose their ballot, a replacement ballot may be requested by contacting the Vote by Mail Unit at (562) 466-1323, weekdays, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., or in person at the RR/CC Headquarters, 12400 Imperial Hwy., Norwalk, CA 90650, prior to Election Day.

For additional information regarding Vote by Mail voting, voters may call the Vote by Mail Unit at (562) 466-1323, weekdays, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., or by accessing the RR/CC website at [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net)

### **VOTER REGISTRATION**

**Deadline to register to vote: Monday, June 15th**

Registration status may be checked online at [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net) by clicking the *Voter Registration Status* button on the main page or by calling the RR/CC at (562) 466-1310 or (562) 466-1323.

### **MEASURE TEXT APPEARING ON THE BALLOTS**

**LC – LA CAÑADA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL PARCEL TAX ELECTION.** To protect La Canada schools from uncontrollable state budget cuts and preserve quality education through temporary local funding to sustain rigorous curriculum and instruction; attract and retain superior teachers; limit increased class sizes; maintain programs that ensure students are prepared to succeed in college and careers; and protect property values, shall La Canada Unified School District levy \$150 per parcel for five years, with independent citizens' oversight, exemptions for seniors, and all funds staying under local control?

**E – ROWLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL PARCEL TAX ELECTION.** To prevent deep cuts in local educational programs, including: maintaining college preparation classes, high school counselors, student health/ safety/ security services, adequate instructional supplies and classroom technology; keeping school libraries open; protecting small class sizes and music/ art programs; and retaining qualified teachers; shall Rowland Unified School District levy an annual \$120 tax per parcel, for 5 years only, with independent oversight, an exemption for seniors, no money for administrator salaries, and all funds benefiting Rowland Unified schools?

### **VOTES REQUIRED TO PASS THE MEASURES**

Passage of each measure requires 2/3 of the total votes cast.



**FINAL OFFICIAL ELCTION RESULTS**

The canvass of election returns shall commence no later than the first Thursday following the election. (July 2<sup>nd</sup>) (E.C. §§ 10547 & 15301)

The official canvass must be completed by the elections official within 28 days of the election. The legal deadline for the County Elections Official to certify the election results is July 28, 2009. (E.C. § 15372)

NOTE: On Friday, July 10, 2009, the RR/CC is tentatively scheduled to certify the election results. On Tuesday, July 14, 2009, the Board of Supervisors is scheduled to declare the election results official. (E.C. § 15501)

*c/m/m: fs 6-30-09*