



Special Election - Proposition No. 1

Submitted by the Town of Steilacoom

EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE AND SERVICES



Ballot Title: Shall the Town of Steilacoom be authorized to impose additional regular property tax levies in an amount equal to fifty cents (\$0.50) per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years to provide emergency medical care and services?

Explanatory Statement: The Town Council of the Town of Steilacoom has passed a resolution requesting an election to authorize for six (6) years a levy of a property tax in an amount not to exceed fifty cents (\$0.50) per thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of assessed valuation. This levy would only be used for providing emergency medical care and services including but not limited to personnel performing emergency services, equipment purchase and maintenance, training, and operating and medical supplies.

The existing emergency medical care and services levy authorized by the voters of the Town of Steilacoom at the November 4, 1997 General Election expires at the end of 2003. This levy will pass if a three-fifths majority of the votes cast are in favor of the levy. If the levy is approved it will become effective in 2004.

Statement For:

The EMS Levy partially supports emergency medical care and services including: 1) personnel performing emergency services, 2) equipment (aid vehicles, necessary equipment, vehicle and equipment maintenance), 3) training, and 4) operating and medical supplies.

The Town responds to approximately 300 EMS calls yearly. This figure is projected to increase.

The impact of the proposed increase (from \$.35/\$1,000 to a maximum of \$.50/\$1,000) to the owner of a \$200,000 home is an additional \$30, increasing from \$70 to \$100 per year.

The levy rate of \$.50/\$1,000 of assessed valuation would be the maximum Town officials could request on a yearly basis. If projected costs fall below the estimated revenues, a lower levy rate could be requested. The new levy rate allows for services growth over 6 years.

Your vote of Yes will allow the Town to continue to provide EMS response at the existing levels of service.

Committee Members Include: Ron Lucas, Karen Williams, Peter Brown

Statement Against:

No statement was submitted against this issue.

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Submitted by Carbonado Historical School District No. 19

CAPITAL PROJECTS LEVY



Ballot Title: The Board of Directors of Carbonado Historical School District No. 19 adopted Resolution No. 01-03 concerning a proposition to finance educational technology improvements. This proposition will, over six consecutive years, authorize the District to acquire educational technology equipment and improvements by levying the following excess taxes, upon all taxable property within the District:

<u>Collection Years</u>	<u>Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000</u>	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2004	\$0.13		\$12,000
2005	\$0.13		\$12,000
2006	\$0.13		\$12,000
2007	\$0.13		\$12,000
2008	\$0.13		\$12,000
2009	\$0.13		\$12,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 01-03. Should this proposition be approved?

Explanatory Statement: Carbonado Historical School District #19 is requesting local support for a capital projects levy. For each year of a six-year period, \$12,000 will be collected, for a total of \$72,000. The rate per thousand of assessed value will be approximately 13 cents per year.

The money collected will be used for the district's technology program. The funds will be used to purchase computer technology hardware and software to increase the level of technical training in the district.

Statement For:

The quality of a school district is one of the most important measures of a community's overall health. The students who attend our school have the advantages of smaller class sizes, more enrichment activities, and better student behaviors. Our students' standardized test scores are among the highest in the state. Our students have been more technologically advanced than many high school students. Ever since the computer lab was constructed and equipped in 1989, the demand on the system has been dramatically increasing. Numerous improvements in technology create a hardship for our district to keep up.

This levy would provide the opportunity for our school to continue to replace outdated equipment and provide our students with the most current technology. The result would be that our students would continue to have the technological advantage that they have had in the past.

Supporting this levy will keep our investment working for us.

Statement Against:

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Committee Members Include: Gina Torres, Shaughna Wate, Pat Argo