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INFORMATION ON MEASURE I

The Police Commission of the Broadmoor Police Department held public hearings and decided to place Measure I on the November 5, 2024, General Election ballot for a vote of the people. The purpose of Measure I is to allow voters to decide if additional short-term temporary funding should be created for police services in Broadmoor.

Various sources, including persons who have chosen to remain anonymous, have published and disseminated misinformation through false statements that seem to appear as facts about Measure I and the Broadmoor Police Department. Attached is a flyer that contains false claims and false statements.

It is important that elections be conducted in a fair manner and that voters should base their decisions on true facts instead of misinformation and false facts. For that reason, Broadmoor is providing the following presentation explaining (a) various false claims that have been circulating about Measure I and the Broadmoor Police Department and (b) the true facts for informational purposes to the public.

THE TRUE FACTS

- **FALSE AND MISLEADING CLAIM "POOR MONEY MANAGEMENT"**

Facts: The Broadmoor Police Department several years ago had two back-to-back administrations that woefully and willfully mismanaged funds. They kept their misdeeds and activities secret from the managing Police Commission by keeping the Police Commission in the dark at all times. This mismanagement was brought to light by the current police chief who has spent many dedicated hours getting the agency back on track. The current Commission and administration are managing the budget well. It is therefore false to claim poor *current* financial mismanagement of the Department. One must look to the *current* economic situation going

forward. Most public entities in California are suffering from financial problems at this time that are affected by the current general financial conditions of the State of California, which is exacerbated by runaway inflation. Measure I is intended to produce additional short-term temporary funding to provide some relief. Additionally, the financial condition of Broadmoor will also improve over time by collecting taxes that are due but have been overlooked by prior administrations. Measure I asks voters if a small short-term temporary tax intended to offset some of the current economic strains caused by two prior administrations should be approved or rejected.

- **FALSE CLAIM "UNSTABLE INCOME SOURCES"**

Facts: The income sources that fund Broadmoor's Police Department *are regular and stable*. The claim that income is not stable is simply false. The agency is funded entirely from (a) property tax revenue, (b) a special tax, (c) other revenue received from the state such as ERAF, and (d) a small amount of user fees the Department receives. LAFCo claims that the ERAF funds distributed to the agency are not reliable. This fact was refuted by the County's own expert. ERAF funds have been made available for close to thirty years. Measure I would, if approved, provide a short-term boost in revenue to offset economic effects of the mismanagement of a few years ago and provide some assistance in light of the current economic conditions in this state.

- **FALSE CLAIM "HIGH COSTS, LOW EFFICIENCY"**

Facts: The statement in the attached flyer asserts that the cost of providing police services in Broadmoor is high and the efficiency is low is simply another *false claim*. The cost of providing police services in Broadmoor is among the *lowest* compared to other adjoining areas, such as Daly City, Colma, and the unincorporated area excluding Broadmoor. For example, according to LAFCo the cost per call for Daly City is \$840, while the cost per call for the sheriff is \$411. The cost per call for Broadmoor is \$398. Additionally, the response time for *all* calls to Broadmoor Police is about three minutes. Response times for Daly City police and the San Mateo County Sheriff can be from minutes (emergency responses) to hours (non-emergency responses). The level of police service and response time provided by the Broadmoor Police Department is not characterized by low efficiency and high costs when compared to other nearby jurisdictions.

- **FALSE CLAIM "MERGE WITH DALY CITY POLICE TO SAVE COSTS"**

Facts: The claim in the flyer that Broadmoor could merge with Daly City Police to save costs simply is FALSE. The City of Daly City cannot provide police services to Broadmoor unless Broadmoor and the City of Daly City enter into a contract for Daly City to provide police services to Broadmoor. The cost-per-call for Daly City Police is \$840, while the cost-per-call for Broadmoor is less than half that amount (\$398). Daly City is short-staffed and already has a difficult time servicing its own residents. Even if Broadmoor and Daly City were to contract for police services by Daly City, the cost to Broadmoor would be about double the current cost and the level of service would be significantly lower. Daly City Mayor Juslyn Manalo and Daly City City Manager Thomas Piccolotti both recently rejected any notion of taking over Broadmoor or providing any police services to Broadmoor. Mayor Manalo and Councilpersons Sylvester and Pamela DiGiovanni each have declared their support Broadmoor Measure I. This severely undermines the *false assertion* that a merger with the Daly City Police Department is a viable option.

- **FALSE CLAIM** "CONTRACT WITH SAN MATEO POLICE"

Facts: The claim that Broadmoor would save costs by merging with the San Mateo City Police Department is not true or in any respect feasible. The City of San Mateo is severely short-staffed and would therefore not have the ability or interest in dispatching police officers from San Mateo to Broadmoor. Such a suggestion clearly shows the absence of knowledge of how law enforcement and how local governments operate.

FALSE / MISLEADING CLAIM "IF THEY CLOSE DOWN THE SAN MATEO SHERIFF WILL TAKE OVER"

Facts: The Sheriff's Office is short about 100 deputies and is currently unable to meet its own commitments. In a recent interview Sheriff Corpus told the interviewer that from time to time she herself finds it necessary to work a shift in the Jail because they simply do not have adequate staffing to cover the Jail. In the event the Jail is not properly staffed in accordance with federal and state law it would have to be closed. If Broadmoor were to be eliminated for any reason, it is foreseeable that law enforcement in the District would significantly diminish to the point that there would be essentially (a) no patrol, (b) no high profile visibility, (c) no traffic enforcement (primary traffic enforcement would be handled by the California Highway Patrol on a call-out basis) (d) and the low crime rate Broadmoor residents have enjoyed since 1948 would likely increase. Response times for most calls could increase from about three minutes to

hours. In many instances the Sheriff would have to send a deputy from Redwood City to handle a call in Broadmoor. No calls would be handled by Daly City Police. Also, neighboring Daly City is plagued with the spillover of crime from San Francisco; Broadmoor would suffer the same fate as well.

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ATTACHMENT

VOTE NO ON MEASURE

Broadmoor PD is at it again
**ASKING FOR MORE OF
YOUR MONEY**

VOTE AGAINST THE BROADMOOR POLICE TAX

POOR MONEY MANAGEMENT

Broadmoor PD has lost over \$1.4 million in the past 6 years. There's no plan for saving or spending wisely. Their only plan is more taxes!

UNSTABLE INCOME SOURCES

More taxes don't guarantee stable funding if the Broadmoor PD cannot budget

HIGH COSTS, LOW EFFICIENCY

Each police call costs a lot more in Broadmoor than in nearby areas. Higher taxes don't mean better service — just higher costs!

**YOU DESERVE
A BETTER
PLAN FOR
BROADMOOR!**

**VOTE
NO
ON MEASURE 1**

What Happens Next? Broadmoor PD Could:

- **MERGE WITH DALY CITY POLICE TO SAVE COSTS**
- **CONTRACT WITH SAN MATEO FOR POLICE PROTECTION**

If they close down, the County Sheriff will take over. There will be no interruption in service.

This isn't the first time I've demanded more money, and it won't be the last!