

SAVE THE DATE

BALLOT MEASURE INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2023

5 p.m. Virtual Meeting (www.norco.ca.us/LMD)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2023

5 p.m. at Norco City Hall

In September 2023, property owners will be mailed a ballot to consider increasing the annual assessment rate by \$238 per year to fund future maintenance and improvement projects in your neighborhood.

THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD
BALLOT MEASURE IS SCHEDULED ON NOVEMBER 15, 2023



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The City of Norco is reaching out to inform you that your Landscape Maintenance District (LMD) is in a deficit. Because the assessment rates in your neighborhood have been outpaced by costs, **maintenance improvement projects can no longer take place in your neighborhood.**



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Landscape Maintenance District No. 3 Ballot Measure

WHAT IS A LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT (LMD)?

The City of Norco has adopted five Landscape Maintenance Districts (LMDs) in which property owners pay an annual assessment for enhanced landscaping and maintenance improvement projects beyond those generally provided by the city. Each LMD has its own funding source and is independent in terms of revenues generated, areas maintained, operation and maintenance costs, and special benefit zone boundaries.

WHY ARE PROPERTY OWNERS IN MY LMD BEING ASKED TO VOTE ON A BALLOT MEASURE TO INCREASE THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT?

Your Landscape Maintenance District is in a service-level deficit. Because the assessment rates in the neighborhoods have been outpaced by costs and the Landscape Maintenance District has a low fund balance, maintenance improvement projects, including trail fence replacement, can no longer take place in your neighborhood. Property owners are being asked to consider increasing the annual assessment rate to realign revenues with basic expenses to fund future landscape and maintenance improvement projects in your neighborhood.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF THE BALLOT MEASURE DOES NOT PASS?

If the ballot measure does not pass, property owners will continue to pay their current assessment rate and your Landscape Maintenance District will continue to be in a service-level deficit. As a result, there will be insufficient funding and no opportunity to invest in landscaping, fencing or maintenance improvements in your neighborhood.

WHAT DOES MY LMD ASSESSMENT PAY FOR?

Your Landscape Maintenance District assessment provides for landscaping along Norco Hills Road; maintenance of horse trails; landscape improvements along streets, slopes, medians, and entrances to the residential communities; and costs associated with water, electricity and contracted labor for tree trimming, gardening, litter control, weed abatement and other general maintenance services.

WHAT IS THE PROPOSED ANNUAL ASSESSMENT INCREASE?

The proposed assessment is calculated with a 19% increase, totaling an additional \$238 per year.

HOW WILL THE FUNDS BE USED IF THE BALLOT MEASURE PASSES?

This new revenue will be used to balance the service-level deficit so that landscape and maintenance improvement projects, including trail fence replacement, can resume in your neighborhood. This new revenue will only benefit your specific LMD and will only be used for general maintenance and improvement projects in your neighborhood.

WHEN WILL MY BALLOT BE MAILED AND WHEN IS MY BALLOT DUE?

Ballots will be mailed to every property owner in your Landscape Maintenance District on September 27, 2023. The ballot must be completed and returned to Norco City Hall by the public hearing date of November 15, 2023, at which time the returned ballots will be opened and counted during the public City Council Meeting.