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July 15, 2026

Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit Board of Directors  
5401 Old Redwood Highway, Suite 200  
Petaluma, CA 94954

**SUBJECT:** Declaration of the results of the votes cast on Measure B on the June 2, 2026, Statewide Direct Primary and special election

Dear Board Members:

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Adopt Resolution No. 2026-19 declaring the results of the special election for Measure B and adopting the Measure.

**SUMMARY:**

The Sonoma County and Marin County Registrars of Voters have certified the results of the election on Measure B. Having determined that more than a majority of the total votes cast were in support of Measure B, the Measure passes. Pursuant to Elections Code section 9320, the ordinance shall become a valid and binding ordinance of the District, shall be considered as adopted upon the date the vote is declared by the District Board, and shall go into effect 10 days after that date. Although Measure B is deemed to take effect 10 days after the vote is declared by the District Board, the new 30-year term and related tax and fiscal provisions of this Act will become effective on April 1, 2029.

**BACKGROUND:**

On January 21, 2026, the Board adopted Resolution No. 2026-01 accepting the Certifications of the Sonoma County Registrar of Voters and the Clerk of the Board that the initiative petition entitled "The SMART Initiative: Safe, Modern, and Accessible Rail and Transit" (the "Initiative Measure") contained a sufficient number of signatures of voters in the District to qualify the Initiative Measure for the ballot at an upcoming election. By that same Resolution, the Board requested the Boards of Supervisors of the Counties of Sonoma and Marin to call a special election on the Initiative Measure in their respective Counties to be held on June 2, 2026, and to consolidate the special election with the Statewide Direct Primary Election held on that same date, pursuant to Public Utilities Code section 105045.

On February 24 and March 3, 2026, the Marin County Board of Supervisors and the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors, respectively, adopted Resolutions calling for a special election on the Initiative Measure to be held on June 2, 2026, and ordered that the election be consolidated with the Statewide Direct Primary Election occurring on that same date pursuant to section 105045, as required by law.

The Sonoma County and Marin County Registrars of Voters conducted the election on June 2, 2026, canvassed the returns, and certified the results of the election. (See "Exhibit A" to the attached Resolution).

The Initiative Measure voted on at the Election was Measure B:

Without increasing taxes, continue Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District regional train and bicycle/pedestrian pathway service beyond 2029 to serve residents including seniors, youth, essential workers, and low-income households; relieve traffic congestion; complete planned rail/pathway expansion; increase ridership; preserve community's historic rail infrastructure investment; maintain clean/safe trains; reduce greenhouse gas emissions, shall the measure extending the ¼ cent, voter-approved, sales tax for 30 years, generating approximately \$51,000,000 annually beginning in 2029, be adopted?

Staff recommends adopting Resolution 2026-19 declaring the results of the votes cast on Measure B at the June 2, 2026, Statewide Direct Primary and special election and adopting the Initiative Measure.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The ¼ cent, voter-approved, sales tax will generate approximately \$51,000,000 annually beginning in 2029.

Sincerely,

/s/

Eddy Cumins  
General Manager

Attachment(s): 1.) Resolution 2026-19

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SONOMA-MARIN AREA RAIL TRANSIT DISTRICT DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE VOTES CAST ON MEASURE B AT THE JUNE 2, 2026, STATEWIDE DIRECT PRIMARY AND SPECIAL ELECTION**

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**WHEREAS**, on January 21, 2026, after the Board of Directors of the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District (the “Board”) accepted the Certifications of the Sonoma County Registrar of Voters (“ the Elections Official”) for the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District (“District”) and the Clerk of the Board (“District Clerk”) that the initiative petition entitled “The SMART Initiative: Safe, Modern, and Accessible Rail and Transit” (the “Initiative Measure”) contained a sufficient number of signatures of voters in the District to qualify the Initiative Measure for the ballot at an upcoming election, the Board adopted a Resolution requesting the Boards of Supervisors of the Counties of Sonoma and Marin to call a special election on the Initiative Measure in their respective Counties to be held on June 2, 2026, and to consolidate the special election with the Statewide Direct Primary Election held on that same date pursuant to Public Utilities Code section 105045; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 24, 2026, pursuant to Public Utilities Code section 105045, the Marin County Board of Supervisors adopted a Resolution calling for a special election on the Initiative Measure to be held on June 2, 2026, and ordered that the election be consolidated with the Statewide Direct Primary Election occurring on that same date, as required by law; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 3, 2026, pursuant to Public Utilities Code section 105045, the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors adopted a Resolution calling for a special election on the Initiative Measure to be held on June 2, 2026, and ordered that the election be consolidated with the Statewide Direct Primary Election occurring on that same date, as required by law; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of the election was given in time, form and manner as provided by law; voting precincts were properly established; election officers were appointed and in all respects the election was held and conducted and the votes were cast, received, and canvassed and the returns made and declared in time, form and manner as required by the provisions of the Elections Code of the State of California for the holding of elections in special districts; and;

**WHEREAS**, the Sonoma County and Marin County Registrars of Voters conducted said election on behalf of the District, canvassed the returns, and certified the results of the election, and those results are attached as “Exhibit A” and incorporated herein by reference; and

**WHEREAS**, the District Clerk has presented the certified results of the canvass to the Board;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SMART HEREBY FINDS, DETERMINES, DECLARES AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:**

**Resolution No. 2026-19**  
**Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District**  
**July 15, 2026**

1. The following is declared to be the results of the special election for Measure B (requiring a simple majority of the votes cast):

Without increasing taxes, continue Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District regional train and bicycle/pedestrian pathway service beyond 2029 to serve residents including seniors, youth, essential workers, and low-income households; relieve traffic congestion; complete planned rail/pathway expansion; increase ridership; preserve community's historic rail infrastructure investment; maintain clean/safe trains; reduce greenhouse gas emissions, shall the measure extending the ¼ cent, voter-approved, sales tax for 30 years, generating approximately \$51,000,000 annually beginning in 2029, be adopted?

Votes in Favor: 198,190  
Votes Opposed: 67,522  
Total Votes Cast: 265,712

2. Having determined that more than a majority of the total votes cast were in support of Measure B, it is hereby declared to be approved by the voters of District, and Measure B, attached as "Exhibit B", is adopted.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District held on the 15th day of July, 2026, by the following vote:

**DIRECTORS:**

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Chris Coursey, Chair, Board of Directors  
Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District

ATTEST:

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Kyreen Jorgensen, Clerk of the Board of Directors  
Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District

# EXHIBIT A

## Marin County Elections Department Statewide Direct Primary Election June 2, 2026 Election Results

### Measure B

#### Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit District (majority needed)

Precincts Reported: 74 of 74 (100.00%)

Ballots Received / Total Registered Voters		
	105,152 / 173,082	60.75%
Contest		
Total		
Yes	76,332	75.91%
No	24,222	24.09%
Total Votes	100,554	

### Measure C

#### Kentfield School District (2/3 needed)

Precincts Reported: 6 of 6 (100.00%)

Ballots Received / Total Registered Voters		
	5,620 / 9,066	61.99%
Contest		
Total		
Yes	4,176	77.33%
No	1,224	22.67%
Total Votes	5,400	

### Measure D

#### Larkspur Corte Madera School District (55% needed)

Precincts Reported: 6 of 6 (100.00%)

Ballots Received / Total Registered Voters		
	6,619 / 10,902	60.71%
Contest		
Total		
Yes	4,324	68.47%
No	1,991	31.53%
Total Votes	6,315	

### Measure E

#### Mill Valley School District (2/3 needed)

Precincts Reported: 12 of 12 (100.00%)

Ballots Received / Total Registered Voters		
	15,210 / 23,705	64.16%
Contest		
Total		
Yes	11,055	75.21%
No	3,644	24.79%
Total Votes	14,699	

**Marin County Elections Department**  
**Statewide Direct Primary Election**  
**June 2, 2026 Election Results**

**Measure G**

**Novato Unified School District (2/3 needed)**

Precincts Reported: 11 of 11 (100.00%)

Ballots Received / Total Registered Voters			23,855 / 40,150	59.41%
Contest		Total		
Yes		15,160	66.01%	
No		7,806	33.99%	
Total Votes		22,966		

**Measure H**

**Ross Valley School District (2/3 needed)**

Precincts Reported: 8 of 8 (100.00%)

Ballots Received / Total Registered Voters			12,794 / 18,506	69.13%
Contest		Total		
Yes		9,334	74.91%	
No		3,126	25.09%	
Total Votes		12,460		

**Measure I**

**Sausalito Marin City School District (55% needed)**

Precincts Reported: 3 of 3 (100.00%)

Ballots Received / Total Registered Voters			4,352 / 7,983	54.52%
Contest		Total		
Yes		2,919	71.39%	
No		1,170	28.61%	
Total Votes		4,089		

**Marin County Elections Department**  
**Statewide Direct Primary Election**  
**June 2, 2026 Election Results**

**Measure J**

**Town of Fairfax (majority needed)**

Precincts Reported: 2 of 2 (100.00%)

Ballots Received / Total Registered Voters			4,065 / 5,948	68.34%
Contest		Total		
Yes		2,498		63.71%
No		1,423		36.29%
Total Votes		3,921		

**Measure K**

**City of San Rafael (2/3 needed)**

Precincts Reported: 11 of 11 (100.00%)

Ballots Received / Total Registered Voters			19,102 / 33,248	57.45%
Contest		Total		
Yes		14,394		78.01%
No		4,057		21.99%
Total Votes		18,451		

**Measure L**

**Firehouse Community Park Agency (2/3 needed)**

Precincts Reported: 1 of 1 (100.00%)

Ballots Received / Total Registered Voters			643 / 898	71.60%
Contest		Total		
Yes		483		78.03%
No		136		21.97%
Total Votes		619		

**Measure M**

**Muir Beach Community Services District (2/3 needed)**

Precincts Reported: 2 of 2 (100.00%)

Ballots Received / Total Registered Voters			202 / 276	73.19%
Contest		Total		
Yes		185		92.96%
No		14		7.04%
Total Votes		199		

# CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION

*I, NATALIE ADONA, the Registrar of Voters for the County of Marin,  
in the State of California, do hereby attest to the completion  
and accuracy of the canvass of the votes cast at the  
Statewide Direct Primary Election, held on June 2, 2026,  
for measures and contests submitted to the voters, and  
that the Statement of Votes Cast is full, true, and correct.*

*The official record is retained with the office of the  
Marin County Elections Department, and the  
Official Final Results summary is provided herewith.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and  
affixed my official seal on this 26th day of June, 2026.*



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Natalie Adona", is written over a solid horizontal line.

Registrar of Voters, County of Marin

**Sonoma County**  
**Statewide Direct Primary Election**  
**June 2, 2026**  
**Election Summary Report - Certified Final Results**

Elector Group	Counting Group	Cards Cast	Voters Cast	Registered Voters	Turnout
Total	Vote Center	16,391	8,196	320,651	2.56%
	Vote by Mail	333,453	166,717		51.99%
	Total	349,844	174,913		54.55%

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

Voters Cast: 174,913 of 320,651 (54.55%)

Cards Cast: 349,844

## Governor (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	174,913 / 320,651	54.55%
Undervotes	2,150	
Overvotes	750	

Candidate	Total	
MARGARET TROWE	78	0.05%
TONY K. THURMOND	1,237	0.72%
THUNDER PARLEY	45	0.03%
KATIE PORTER	12,090	7.03%
TOM WOODARD	172	0.10%
LEO SAMUEL ZACKY	221	0.13%
ERIN "ZEZ" ZEZULAK	176	0.10%
DAVID ZICKEFOOSE	50	0.03%
AMANDA MARTIN	62	0.04%
MATT MAHAN	5,823	3.39%
BRENT MAUPIN	30	0.02%
DANIEL MERCURI	78	0.05%
BETTY T. YEE	930	0.54%
NANCY D. YOUNG	69	0.04%
ALICIA OLIVIA LAPP	84	0.05%
MATTHEW CHASE LEVY	233	0.14%
DUANE TERRENCE LOYNES JR.	21	0.01%
RANDEEP S. DHILLON	232	0.13%
LIVINGFORDGOD ANDCOUNTRY DEMOTT	36	0.02%
PATRICIA DE LUCA BASUALDO	39	0.02%
LOUIS A. DE BARRAICUA	178	0.10%
RAJI RAB	44	0.03%
SATISH RAO	35	0.02%
RAMSEY ROBINSON	751	0.44%

Candidate	Total	
LEWIS HERMS	57	0.03%
RAFAEL M. HERNANDEZ	35	0.02%
JON HENDERSON	115	0.07%
STEVE HILTON	28,251	16.42%
NAOMI BAR-LEV	36	0.02%
XAVIER BECERRA	56,948	33.11%
CAROLINA BUHLER	235	0.14%
CHAD BIANCO	12,148	7.06%
JOSEPH CABRERA	108	0.06%
ELAINE CULOTTI	102	0.06%
JOEL E. JACOB	13	0.01%
MAX FOMIN	8	0.00%
LUKASZ ADAM FILINSKI	5	0.00%
SERGE FIANKAN	5	0.00%
LEO NARANJO IV	88	0.05%
TIM NELSON	201	0.12%
TOM STEYER	48,597	28.25%
ERIC SWALWELL	465	0.27%
SCOTT P SHIELDS	30	0.02%
FREDERIC C. SCHULTZ	70	0.04%
CHRISTINE R. SARMIENTO	62	0.04%
REZA SAFARNEJAD	8	0.00%
SAM SANDAK	7	0.00%
GRETHA SOLÓRZANO	97	0.06%
JAMES ATHANS JR.	96	0.06%
LARRY AZEVEDO	32	0.02%
MOHAMMAD ARIF	133	0.08%
AKINYEMI AGBEDE	20	0.01%
DEREK GRASTY	46	0.03%
DON J. GRUNDMANN	25	0.01%
DAWIT KELLEL	6	0.00%
ANNE KOMAROVSK	5	0.00%
GARY HOWARD KIDGELL	5	0.00%
SOPHIA EDUM-A-SAM	23	0.01%
MAURO ALBERTO OROZCO	9	0.01%
BARACK D. OBAMA SHAW	118	0.07%
ANTONIO VILLARAIGOSA	688	0.40%
Total Votes	172,013	

		Total	
Kalid Meky	WRITE-IN	0	0.00%
Jibri J Peavy	WRITE-IN	0	0.00%
Che Ahn	WRITE-IN	12	0.01%
Butch Ware	WRITE-IN	388	0.23%
Michael J Dilger	WRITE-IN	0	0.00%
Sean Forbes	WRITE-IN	2	0.00%
Dirk Langer	WRITE-IN	0	0.00%

## Lieutenant Governor (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	174,931 / 320,651	54.55%
Undervotes	13,774	
Overvotes	165	

Candidate	Total	
MICHAEL TUBBS	23,898	14.84%
TIM MYERS	3,948	2.45%
FIONA MA	41,455	25.75%
OLIVER MA	7,619	4.73%
EBIE LYNCH	3,032	1.88%
JEYSON LOPEZ	701	0.44%
GLORIA ROMERO	14,700	9.13%
RAKESH CHRISTIAN	190	0.12%
DAVID COLLENBERG	8,791	5.46%
SEAN COLLINSON	406	0.25%
JOSH FRYDAY	34,171	21.23%
DAVID FENNELL	7,965	4.95%
ALICE STEK	2,548	1.58%
SKIP SHELTON	4,531	2.81%
ABDUR RAHMAN SIKDER	661	0.41%
JANELLE KELLMAN	6,376	3.96%
Total Votes	160,992	

		Total	
Mushtaq MT Tahirkheli	WRITE-IN	0	0.00%
James P. Cameron	WRITE-IN	0	0.00%

## Secretary of State (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	174,931 / 320,651	54.55%
Undervotes	16,374	
Overvotes	18	

Candidate	Total	
DONALD P. (DON) WAGNER	38,506	24.29%
SHIRLEY N. WEBER	111,367	70.25%
GARY N. BLENNER	3,400	2.14%
MICHAEL FEINSTEIN	5,266	3.32%
Total Votes	158,539	

## Controller (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	174,931 / 320,651	54.55%
Undervotes	16,665	
Overvotes	14	

Candidate	Total	
HERB W MORGAN	39,708	25.09%
MALIA M. COHEN	110,132	69.59%
MEGHANN ADAMS	8,412	5.32%
Total Votes	158,252	

## Treasurer (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	174,931 / 320,651	54.55%
Undervotes	16,030	
Overvotes	58	

Candidate	Total	
GLENN TURNER	3,402	2.14%
JENNIFER HAWKS	25,584	16.11%
ANNA M. CABALLERO	25,149	15.83%
DAVID SERPA	14,002	8.81%
ELENI KOUNALAKIS	80,568	50.72%
TONY VAZQUEZ	10,138	6.38%
Total Votes	158,843	

## Attorney General (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	174,931 / 320,651	54.55%
Undervotes	11,468	
Overvotes	9	

Candidate	Total	
MARJORIE MIKELS	9,666	5.91%
ROB BONTA	112,162	68.62%
MICHAEL E. GATES	41,626	25.47%
Total Votes	163,454	

## Insurance Commissioner (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	174,931 / 320,651	54.55%
Undervotes	17,949	
Overvotes	111	
Candidate	Total	
PATRICK WOLFF	13,500	8.61%
SEAN LEE	8,101	5.16%
KEITH W. DAVIS	1,774	1.13%
ROBERT P HOWELL	8,542	5.45%
STEVEN CRAIG BRADFORD	5,806	3.70%
MERRITT FARREN	6,862	4.37%
BEN ALLEN	42,416	27.04%
ERIC THOR AARNIO	2,423	1.54%
STACY A. KORSGADEN	13,305	8.48%
JANE KIM	50,159	31.97%
EDUARDO "LALO" VARGAS	3,983	2.54%
Total Votes	156,871	

## Member, State Board of Equalization, 2nd District (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	174,931 / 320,651	54.55%
Undervotes	20,827	
Overvotes	158	
Candidate	Total	
JOHN PIMENTEL	24,663	16.02%
JOHN W. ZARUKA	3,352	2.18%
MARK MCCOMAS	9,579	6.22%
J BRETT MARYMEE	11,969	7.77%
SALLY J. LIEBER	90,337	58.68%
BILL SHIREMAN	14,046	9.12%
Total Votes	153,946	

## United States Representative, 1st District (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 163 of 163 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	95,887 / 179,984	53.28%
Undervotes	4,138	
Overvotes	34	

Candidate	Total	
MIKE MCGUIRE	59,743	65.14%
RICHARD T. MINNER	408	0.44%
AUDREY DENNEY	8,724	9.51%
JAMES GALLAGHER	21,115	23.02%
JANICE KARRMAN	859	0.94%
TIMOTHY SEAN KELLY	866	0.94%
Total Votes	91,715	

## United States Representative, 2nd District (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 59 of 59 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	26,726 / 43,334	61.67%
Undervotes	1,430	
Overvotes	13	

Candidate	Total	
ROSE PENELOPE YEE	1,850	7.32%
ROBIN LITTAU	1,061	4.20%
NICOLETTE HAHN NIMAN	1,021	4.04%
JARED HUFFMAN	17,896	70.78%
GREGORY BURGESS	216	0.85%
PAUL SAULSBURY	1,280	5.06%
TIM GEIST	1,050	4.15%
ANGELITA VALLES	909	3.60%
Total Votes	25,283	

## United States Representative, 4th District (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 111 of 111 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	52,318 / 97,333	53.75%
Undervotes	3,258	
Overvotes	33	

Candidate	Total	
MIKE THOMPSON	25,182	51.36%
JOHN MACKENZIE	1,897	3.87%
THOMAS M ROACH	234	0.48%
RAY RIEHLE	5,484	11.19%
SHARON BROWN	1,136	2.32%
JIMIH JONES	404	0.82%
ERIC JONES	12,475	25.45%
MANDY GHUSAR	690	1.41%
CHUCK URIBE	1,525	3.11%
Total Votes	49,027	

## State Senator, 2nd District (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 267 of 267 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	142,781 / 260,381	54.84%
Undervotes	10,088	
Overvotes	21	

Candidate	Total	
AARON SMITH	14,119	10.64%
TIEF GIBBS	18,764	14.14%
DAMON CONNOLLY	99,789	75.21%
Total Votes	132,672	

## Member of the State Assembly, 2nd District (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 174 of 174 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	87,730 / 158,283	55.43%
Undervotes	5,570	
Overvotes	4	

Candidate	Total	
MICHAEL GREER	20,200	24.59%
CHRIS ROGERS	61,956	75.41%
Total Votes	82,156	

### Member of the State Assembly, 4th District (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 19 of 19 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	10,834 / 18,970	57.11%
Undervotes	3,144	
Overvotes	0	

Candidate	Total	
CECILIA M. AGUIAR-CURRY	7,690	100.00%
Total Votes	7,690	

### Member of the State Assembly, 12th District (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 140 of 140 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	76,367 / 143,398	53.26%
Undervotes	7,837	
Overvotes	36	

Candidate	Total	
STEVE SCHWARTZ	7,276	10.62%
ERIC LUCAN	12,922	18.87%
ELI BECKMAN	3,772	5.51%
JACKIE ELWARD	21,203	30.96%
HOLLI THIER	6,986	10.20%
ERYN CERVANTES	16,335	23.85%
Total Votes	68,494	

### Superior Court Judge, Office #10 (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	174,931 / 320,651	54.55%
Undervotes	62,760	
Overvotes	1	

Candidate	Total	
DAVID KIM	112,170	100.00%
Total Votes	112,170	

## State Superintendent of Public Instruction (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	174,931 / 320,651	54.55%
Undervotes	39,642	
Overvotes	74	
Candidate	Total	
GUS MATTAMMAL	2,555	1.89%
AL MURATSUCHI	14,815	10.96%
FRANK LARA	10,504	7.77%
AINYE LONG	10,331	7.64%
ANTHONY RENDON	12,078	8.93%
NICHELE M. HENDERSON	12,909	9.55%
RICHARD BARRERA	33,362	24.67%
WENDY CASTANEDA LEAL	10,621	7.85%
JOSH NEWMAN	7,469	5.52%
SONJA SHAW	20,571	15.21%
Total Votes	135,215	

## County Superintendent of Schools (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	174,931 / 320,651	54.55%
Undervotes	65,643	
Overvotes	3	
Candidate	Total	
AMIE CARTER	109,285	100.00%
Total Votes	109,285	

## County Supervisor, 2nd District (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 60 of 60 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	38,417 / 67,759	56.70%
Undervotes	4,253	
Overvotes	17	
Candidate	Total	
JOANNA PAUN	14,118	41.34%
SHELINA MOREDA	6,503	19.04%
SYLVIA LEMUS	8,572	25.10%
JOHN E. KING	4,954	14.51%
Total Votes	34,147	

### County Supervisor, 4th District (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 66 of 66 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	34,842 / 63,046	55.26%
Undervotes	3,925	
Overvotes	7	

Candidate	Total	
TODD LANDS	9,397	30.40%
MELANIE BAGBY	11,719	37.91%
TOM SCHWEDHELM	9,794	31.69%
Total Votes	30,910	

### Auditor-Controller-Treasurer-Tax Collector (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	174,931 / 320,651	54.55%
Undervotes	60,695	
Overvotes	1	

Candidate	Total	
AMANDA RUCH	114,235	100.00%
Total Votes	114,235	

### County Clerk-Recorder-Assessor (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	174,931 / 320,651	54.55%
Undervotes	60,520	
Overvotes	2	

Candidate	Total	
DEVA MARIE PROTO	114,409	100.00%
Total Votes	114,409	

### Measure C - Bellevue Union School District 2/3 Parcel Tax (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 19 of 19 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	4,889 / 13,675	35.75%
Undervotes	308	
Overvotes	1	

Candidate	Total	
YES	2,680	58.52%
NO	1,900	41.48%
Total Votes	4,580	

## Measure A - Twin Hills Union School District 55% Bond (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 6 of 6 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	3,006 / 4,618	65.09%
Undervotes	208	
Overvotes	0	
Candidate	Total	
YES	1,706	60.97%
NO	1,092	39.03%
Total Votes	2,798	

## Measure B - SMART Sales Tax Extension Simple Majority (Vote for 1)

Precincts Reported: 333 of 333 (100.00%)

	Total	
Times Cast	174,931 / 320,651	54.55%
Undervotes	9,757	
Overvotes	16	
Candidate	Total	
YES	121,858	73.78%
NO	43,300	26.22%
Total Votes	165,158	



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Date: June 30, 2026

To: Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART) District

From: Evelyn Mendez, Sonoma County Registrar of Voters

Re: Official Statement of Votes Cast for June 2, 2026, Statewide Direct Primary Election

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Enclosed please find the final certified election results for the June 2, 2026, Statewide Direct Primary Election, including your jurisdiction's ballot measure (Measure B). This transmittal constitutes certification of the official canvass for adoption by your jurisdiction's governing body.

More detailed precinct-by-precinct results are available on our website by going to [SoCoVotes.com](https://SoCoVotes.com) and clicking on the [View the final, official election results](#) link located a little ways down the page under the "June 2, 2026, Statewide Direct Primary Election" heading. Then, scroll down until you get to the table showing the results for "Measure B - SMART Sales Tax Extension Simple Majority (Vote For 1)," and click on the [View Contest Detail →](#) link in the bottom-right corner.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Wendy Hudson, Chief Deputy Registrar of Voters, at [\(707\) 565-6810](tel:(707)565-6810), or Kamari Marchbanks, Elections Manager, at [\(707\) 565-6804](tel:(707)565-6804).

# STATEMENT OF THE VOTES CAST

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*at the*

**STATEWIDE DIRECT PRIMARY ELECTION**

*held on*

**JUNE 2, 2026**

*in the*


**SONOMA-MARIN AREA RAIL TRANSIT (SMART) DISTRICT**

**COUNTY OF SONOMA**

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA     )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF SONOMA     )

I, **EVELYN MENDEZ, SONOMA COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS**, do hereby certify the following to be a true and correct copy of the Statement of the Votes Cast at the **STATEWIDE DIRECT PRIMARY ELECTION** held on **JUNE 2, 2026**, for the measure herein set forth. Witness my hand and official seal this 25th day of June, 2026.



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EVELYN MENDEZ, SONOMA COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

# Exhibit B



The people of the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District do ordain as follows:

## Section 1. Title.

This Act shall be known as “The Safe, Modern, and Accessible Rail and Transit Initiative” (“The SMART Initiative”).

## Section 2. Findings and Declarations.

The people of the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District hereby find and declare the following:

- (a) Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit (SMART) provides a safe, reliable and congestion-free transportation option for Marin and Sonoma counties, thereby improving the quality of life for North Bay residents. SMART’s financial viability is critical to our region and our way of life.
- (b) In 2008, voters approved Measure Q to provide the initial funding and public mandate necessary for SMART to construct and operate a passenger rail system and bicycle-pedestrian pathway, addressing critical unmet needs for infrastructure, mobility, and regional connectivity in Marin and Sonoma Counties.
- (c) For 17 years, Measure Q has been a vital resource for our community, enabling SMART to leverage these local funds to secure \$735 million in outside grants, to date. This support has allowed SMART to build and operate a new passenger rail and pathway system that spans Larkspur, in Marin County, to Windsor, in Sonoma County, connecting the North Bay regions, reducing congestion and benefitting the environment by reducing the number of cars on local highways.
- (d) SMART has made impressive strides by successfully securing grants for rail enhancement projects such as extending the rail and pathway system, constructing new rail stations, upgrading railroad safety systems, and conducting project development on the East/West corridor.
- (e) As envisioned in the Measure Q expenditure plan, SMART has leveraged the retail sales tax to obtain grants that have more than doubled the community’s investment in the transportation infrastructure across the two counties.
- (f) With a track record of over 1.1 million passengers and 146,000 bicycles transported in 2025 alone, SMART service is proving itself essential. Currently, SMART carries over 100,000 rail passengers and serves 100,000 pathway trips monthly. As of 2025, SMART is offering more service, and fares are more budget-friendly, than ever. Record-high ridership reflects SMART’s success, having achieved the highest post-pandemic ridership recovery rate of any transit system in the Bay Area.
- (g) With the opening of Petaluma North and Windsor Stations, SMART anticipates even greater ridership growth in the future and is actively planning to extend service to Healdsburg and ultimately Cloverdale. To complete these extensions, pathway connections and maintenance

projects on the existing system, SMART plans to use measure funds and matching grants to build an estimated \$510 million in capital construction and state of good repair projects.

(h) To provide the funding necessary to operate and maintain the existing passenger rail and pathway system, SMART requires the extension of the retail sales tax.

(i) The measure would not change the ¼ of one cent rate people pay today, but it would extend the sales tax past its current expiration date.

(j) If the voters approve this measure, approximately \$51 million will be collected annually to enhance our community's transportation infrastructure.

(k) This crucial funding will provide SMART with the necessary resources to continue to operate and maintain the existing SMART system, complete essential expansion projects, and support the development of future rail and pathway extensions.

(l) Extending the existing sales tax measure will enable SMART to help achieve community goals, such as relieving traffic congestion, lowering greenhouse gas emissions, creating economic opportunities, and providing transportation options.

(m) Extension of this sales tax will continue the momentum for a better-connected future in Marin and Sonoma Counties, offering convenient rail connections to ferry, bus, and regional transit services across the North Bay by providing a passenger rail and bicycle/pedestrian pathway system linking 17 stations across both counties.

(n) All funds will be invested in environmentally responsible transportation solutions within Marin and Sonoma Counties, driving economic growth and generating local jobs.

(o) All sales tax revenues from this measure will be managed by local officials on the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District Board of Directors and cannot be taken away by State or federal action.

(p) Local control of revenues and accountability to citizens are essential for our community's success. The measure ensures transparency, protects the public's investment in SMART, and includes vital safeguards to uphold the community's transportation priorities. Local officials, who understand our community's needs best, will make informed decisions with valuable input from the public and a dedicated Citizen's Oversight Committee.

(q) Continued financial support from the community is essential; it empowers SMART to maximize its current local ¼ of one cent sales tax to access additional funding sources that would otherwise be unavailable to the region.

### **Section 3. Purpose and Intent.**

It is the people of the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District's intent to do all of the following with The Safe, Modern, and Accessible Rail and Transit Initiative:

(a) Without raising taxes, extend the existing retail transactions and use tax at the same rate of one-quarter of one cent ( $\frac{1}{4}$ -cent) to:

(1) Continue providing a clean and safe regional rail and pathway system and offer accessible, convenient, and affordable transportation for all including seniors, students, essential workers, and low-income households.

(2) Leverage local funding to secure federal, state, regional, and local grants.

(3) Complete planned rail and pathway expansion and continue extending the rail and pathway system while working toward corridor preservation and project development of East/West rail alignment.

(4) Continue to build upon record ridership and pathway use by serving millions of rail and pathway trips annually.

(5) Relieve traffic congestion, improve travel time and reliability, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and provide an alternative to sitting in traffic while effectively decreasing vehicle miles traveled and transportation emissions.

(6) Maintain and modernize SMART's infrastructure to ensure the system remains safe and serviceable and meets the needs of the community.

(7) Provide accountability and protect taxpayers with strict accountability measures through a Citizen's Oversight Committee and independent audits, to protect the public's investments and ensure funds are spent as intended by voters.

(8) Guarantee that the measure's funding goes directly to Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District's priorities.

#### **Section 4. Definitions.**

For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) "Act" means "The Safe, Modern, and Accessible Rail and Transit Initiative".

(b) "Board" or "Board of Directors" means the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District Board of Directors.

(c) "Citizen's Oversight Committee" means the Citizen's Oversight Committee established by the Board pursuant to Section 20 of this Act.

(d) "District" or "SMART" means the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District.

(e) "Fund" means the SMART Initiative Fund.

(f) "Operative Date" means April 1, 2029.

#### **Section 5. Purpose.**

This Act shall be applicable in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of the Counties of Sonoma and Marin.

This Act is adopted to achieve the following, among other purposes, and directs that the provisions hereof be interpreted in order to accomplish those purposes:

- (a) To impose a retail transactions and use tax in accordance with the provisions of Part 1.6 (commencing with Section 7251) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and Section 105115 of the Public Utilities Code which authorizes the District to adopt this tax ordinance, which shall be operative if a majority of the electors voting on the measure vote to approve the imposition of the tax at an election called for that purpose.
- (b) To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that incorporates provisions identical to those of the Sales and Use Tax Law of the State of California insofar as those provisions are not inconsistent with the requirements and limitations contained in Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- (c) To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that imposes a tax and provides a measure therefor that can be administered and collected by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration in a manner that adapts itself as fully as practicable to, and requires the least possible deviation from, the existing statutory and administrative procedures followed by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration in administering and collecting the California State Sales and Use Taxes.
- (d) To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that can be administered in a manner that will be, to the greatest degree possible, consistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, minimize the cost of collecting the transactions and use taxes, and at the same time, minimize the burden of record keeping upon persons subject to taxation under the provisions of this ordinance.

#### **Section 6. Contract With State.**

Prior to the operative date, the District shall contract with the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration to perform all functions incident to the administration and operation of this transactions and use tax ordinance; provided, that if the District shall not have contracted with the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration prior to the operative date, it shall nevertheless so contract and in such a case the operative date shall be the first day of the first calendar quarter following the execution of such a contract.

#### **Section 7. Transactions Tax Rate.**

For the privilege of selling tangible personal property at retail, a tax is hereby imposed upon all retailers in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of the District at the rate of one quarter of one percent (0.25%) of the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of all tangible personal property sold at retail in said territory on and after the operative date of this ordinance.

### **Section 8. Place Of Sale.**

For the purposes of this ordinance, all retail sales are consummated at the place of business of the retailer unless the tangible personal property sold is delivered by the retailer or his agent to an out-of-state destination or to a common carrier for delivery to an out-of-state destination. The gross receipts from such sales shall include delivery charges, when such charges are subject to the state sales and use tax, regardless of the place to which delivery is made. In the event a retailer has no permanent place of business in the State or has more than one place of business, the place or places at which the retail sales are consummated shall be determined under rules and regulations to be prescribed and adopted by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration.

### **Section 9. Use Tax Rate.**

An excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, use or other consumption in the District of tangible personal property purchased from any retailer on and after the operative date of this ordinance for storage, use or other consumption in said territory at the rate of one quarter of one percent (0.25%) of the sales price of the property. The sales price shall include delivery charges when such charges are subject to state sales or use tax regardless of the place to which delivery is made.

### **Section 10. Adoption Of Provisions Of State Law.**

Except as otherwise provided in this ordinance and except insofar as they are inconsistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, all of the provisions of Part 1 (commencing with Section 6001) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code are hereby adopted and made a part of this ordinance as though fully set forth herein.

### **Section 11. Limitations On Adoption Of State Law And Collection Of Use Taxes.**

In adopting the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code:

(a) Wherever the State of California is named or referred to as the taxing agency, the name of this District shall be substituted therefor. However, the substitution shall not be made when:

- (1) The word "State" is used as a part of the title of the State Controller, State Treasurer, State Treasury, or the Constitution of the State of California;
- (2) The result of that substitution would require action to be taken by or against this District or any agency, officer, or employee thereof rather than by or against the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration, in performing the functions incident to the administration or operation of this Ordinance.
- (3) In those sections, including, but not necessarily limited to sections referring to the exterior boundaries of the State of California, where the result of the substitution would be to:

(A) Provide an exemption from this tax with respect to certain sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not otherwise be exempt from this tax while such sales, storage, use or other consumption remain subject to tax by the State under the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, or;

(B) Impose this tax with respect to certain sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not be subject to tax by the state under the said provision of that code.

(4) In Sections 6701, 6702 (except in the last sentence thereof), 6711, 6715, 6737, 6797 or 6828 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

(b) The word "District" shall be substituted for the word "State" in the phrase "retailer engaged in business in this State" in Section 6203 and in the definition of that phrase in Section 6203.

(1) "A retailer engaged in business in the District" shall also include any retailer that, in the preceding calendar year or the current calendar year, has total combined sales of tangible personal property in this state or for delivery in the State by the retailer and all persons related to the retailer that exceeds five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000). For purposes of this section, a person is related to another person if both persons are related to each other pursuant to Section 267(b) of Title 26 of the United States Code and the regulations thereunder.

### **Section 12. Permit Not Required.**

If a seller's permit has been issued to a retailer under Section 6067 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, an additional transactor's permit shall not be required by this ordinance.

### **Section 13. Exemptions And Exclusions.**

(a) There shall be excluded from the measure of the transactions tax and the use tax the amount of any sales tax or use tax imposed by the State of California or by any city, city and county, or county pursuant to the Bradley-Burns Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law or the amount of any state-administered transactions or use tax.

(b) There are exempted from the computation of the amount of transactions tax the gross receipts from:

(1) Sales of tangible personal property, other than fuel or petroleum products, to operators of aircraft to be used or consumed principally outside the District in which the sale is made and directly and exclusively in the use of such aircraft as common carriers of persons or property under the authority of the laws of this State, the United States, or any foreign government.

(2) Sales of property to be used outside the District which is shipped to a point outside the District, pursuant to the contract of sale, by delivery to such point by the retailer or his agent, or

by delivery by the retailer to a carrier for shipment to a consignee at such point. For the purposes of this paragraph, delivery to a point outside the District shall be satisfied:

(A) With respect to vehicles (other than commercial vehicles) subject to registration pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 4000) of Division 3 of the Vehicle Code, aircraft licensed in compliance with Section 21411 of the Public Utilities Code, and undocumented vessels registered under Division 3.5 (commencing with Section 9840) of the Vehicle Code by registration to an out-of-District address and by a declaration under penalty of perjury, signed by the buyer, stating that such address is, in fact, his or her principal place of residence; and

(B) With respect to commercial vehicles, by registration to a place of business out-of-District and declaration under penalty of perjury, signed by the buyer, that the vehicle will be operated from that address.

(3) The sale of tangible personal property if the seller is obligated to furnish the property for a fixed price pursuant to a contract entered into prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

(4) A lease of tangible personal property which is a continuing sale of such property, for any period of time for which the lessor is obligated to lease the property for an amount fixed by the lease prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

(5) For the purposes of subparagraphs (3) and (4) of this section, the sale or lease of tangible personal property shall be deemed not to be obligated pursuant to a contract or lease for any period of time for which any party to the contract or lease has the unconditional right to terminate the contract or lease upon notice, whether or not such right is exercised.

(c) There are exempted from the use tax imposed by this ordinance, the storage, use or other consumption in this District of tangible personal property:

(1) The gross receipts from the sale of which have been subject to a transactions tax under any state-administered transactions and use tax ordinance.

(2) Other than fuel or petroleum products purchased by operators of aircraft and used or consumed by such operators directly and exclusively in the use of such aircraft as common carriers of persons or property for hire or compensation under a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued pursuant to the laws of this State, the United States, or any foreign government. This exemption is in addition to the exemptions provided in Sections 6366 and 6366.1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code of the State of California.

(3) If the purchaser is obligated to purchase the property for a fixed price pursuant to a contract entered into prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

(4) If the possession of, or the exercise of any right or power over, the tangible personal property arises under a lease which is a continuing purchase of such property for any period of time for

which the lessee is obligated to lease the property for an amount fixed by a lease prior to the operative date of this ordinance.

(5) For the purposes of subparagraphs (3) and (4) of this section, storage, use, or other consumption, or possession of, or exercise of any right or power over, tangible personal property shall be deemed not to be obligated pursuant to a contract or lease for any period of time for which any party to the contract or lease has the unconditional right to terminate the contract or lease upon notice, whether or not such right is exercised.

(6) Except as provided in subparagraph (7), a retailer engaged in business in the District shall not be required to collect use tax from the purchaser of tangible personal property, unless the retailer ships or delivers the property into the District or participates within the District in making the sale of the property, including, but not limited to, soliciting or receiving the order, either directly or indirectly, at a place of business of the retailer in the district or through any representative, agent, canvasser, solicitor, subsidiary, or person in the District under the authority of the retailer.

(7) "A retailer engaged in business in the District" shall also include any retailer of any of the following: vehicles subject to registration pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 4000) of Division 3 of the Vehicle Code, aircraft licensed in compliance with Section 21411 of the Public Utilities Code, or undocumented vessels registered under Division 3.5 (commencing with Section 9840) of the Vehicle Code. That retailer shall be required to collect use tax from any purchaser who registers or licenses the vehicle, vessel, or aircraft at an address in the District.

(d) Any person subject to use tax under this ordinance may credit against that tax any transactions tax or reimbursement for transactions tax paid to a district imposing, or retailer liable for a transactions tax pursuant to Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code with respect to the sale to the person of the property the storage, use or other consumption of which is subject to the use tax.

#### **Section 14. Amendments.**

All amendments subsequent to the effective date of this ordinance to Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code relating to sales and use taxes and which are not inconsistent with Part 1.6 and Part 1.7 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and all amendments to Part 1.6 and Part 1.7 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, shall automatically become a part of this ordinance, provided however, that no such amendment shall operate so as to affect the rate of tax imposed by this ordinance.

#### **Section 15. Enjoining Collection Forbidden.**

No injunction or writ of mandate or other legal or equitable process shall issue in any suit, action or proceeding in any court against the State or the District, or against any officer of the State or the District, to prevent or enjoin the collection under this ordinance, or Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, of any tax or any amount of tax required to be collected.

## **Section 16. The SMART Initiative Fund**

There is hereby established in the treasury of the District a special fund called the SMART Initiative Fund, which shall be maintained by the District.

## **Section 17. Receipt of Proceeds**

All revenue generated by this Act shall be deposited into the SMART Initiative Fund.

The uses and expenditures of money allocated to the SMART Initiative Fund shall be governed by and subject to the requirements set forth in Section 19.

## **Section 18. Use of Proceeds**

Moneys in the SMART Initiative Fund shall be used to reimburse the District for the costs imposed by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration to administer and operate this tax pursuant to Section 6.

The remaining moneys in the Fund shall be appropriated pursuant to Section 19.

## **Section 19. Expenditure Plan.**

(a) Consistent with paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 105115 of the Public Utilities Code, the proceeds in the SMART Initiative Fund shall be expended consistent with the purpose of providing a rail transit system under the jurisdiction of the District, including for (1) operations and maintenance; (2) capital and state of good repair, (3) and maintaining reserves.

(b) To fund the essential capital projects needed to complete and improve the SMART rail and pathway system, the Board may allocate revenue generated by this Act to serve as a local match for federal, state, regional, local, or private grants, including the project and grant funding outlined in SMART's 2025–2030 Strategic Plan.

(c) Proceeds deposited into the SMART Initiative Fund shall be used to support the operations and maintenance of the system, ensure its long-term viability, and advance future expansion. To that end, expenditures may be made for, but are not limited to, the following purposes:

(1) Increasing Ridership and Enhancing Passenger Rail Service. To help achieve the goal of 5,000 daily riders and provide high-quality rail service, proceeds may fund:

- (A) Safe, clean, reliable, and accessible passenger rail service
- (B) Affordable and user-friendly fare programs
- (C) Improved first/last mile transit connections
- (D) Coordination with local transit agencies in Marin County and Sonoma County
- (E) Enhanced auto and bicycle parking options
- (F) Adjustments to service levels based on ridership demand
- (G) Customer experience improvements
- (H) Marketing, outreach, and communications
- (I) System maintenance

- (J) Fleet expansion and replacement
- (K) Adoption of low- and zero-emission fleet technologies
- (L) Climate-resilient infrastructure and operations
- (M) Workforce development and training programs

(2) Enhancing and Expanding the Pathway System. To develop and maintain a safe, connected, and user-friendly pathway network, proceeds may fund:

- (A) Construction of gap closures in the SMART Pathway and Great Redwood Trail
- (B) Construction of pathways associated with rail extensions
- (C) Maintenance of the existing pathway in a state of good repair
- (D) Enhanced pathway amenities, such as signage, wayfinding, safety, and connectivity
- (E) Upgrades to the pathway website and digital tools
- (F) Development of plans for future pathway segments and enhancements

(3) Advancing Regional Connectivity. To complete the rail and pathway system from Larkspur to Cloverdale and explore future expansion, proceeds may fund:

- (A) Completion of currently funded rail and pathway projects
- (B) Grant-seeking efforts to support unfunded extensions
- (C) Planning and development of East/West rail corridors
- (D) Expansion of rail fleet, yards, and supporting facilities

(4) Supporting Freight Movement and Future Rail Service. In alignment with SMART's statutory mandate to accommodate freight and preserve future rail corridors, proceeds may fund:

- (A) Freight-compatible design for new rail extensions
- (B) Preservation of the East/West passenger rail corridor
- (C) Continued project development for future passenger service on the East/West alignment

#### **Section 20. Citizen's Oversight Committee**

Administration of the proceeds from the tax shall be subject to review by the Citizen's Oversight Committee, as established by the Board, to verify that the proceeds are invested in a way that is consistent with the purpose of the tax. The Citizen's Oversight Committee shall receive the annual audit, hold a public hearing and issue a report annually to provide the public with information regarding how tax proceeds are being spent. The hearing will be held at a public meeting subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act.

#### **Section 21. Annual Report.**

The Chief Financial Officer of the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District shall annually prepare a report setting forth the amount of funds collected and expended; and the status of operations and projects funded by this Act.

#### **Section 22. Annual Appropriations Limit.**

The appropriations limit for the District shall be adjusted periodically by the aggregate sum collected by levy of this Act.

**Section 23. Termination Date.**

This Act shall remain in effect for thirty (30) years from its effective date and shall be repealed by operation of this section on that date, unless a later measure is adopted before that date which deletes or extends the termination date.

**Section 24. Effective Date.**

This ordinance shall be considered adopted upon the date the vote is declared by the District board, and shall go into effect 10 days after that date. Although this ordinance shall be deemed to be effective once adopted a simple majority vote of the electors voting, the new term and related tax and fiscal provisions of this Act shall not be in effect until April 1, 2029.

**Section 25. Severability.**

If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

**Section 26. Amendment.**

Except for amendments that would change the amount of the tax imposed by this Act, the District Board of Directors may amend this Act without submitting the amendment to the voters for approval, provided that the amendment is consistent with and furthers the purposes of this Act as enacted by the voters.

**Section 27. Liberal Construction**

This measure is an exercise of the initiative power of the People of the Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit District to implement a special tax to fund the purposes set forth in the Act, and it shall be liberally construed to effectuate these purposes.

**Section 28. Conflicting Measures**

This Act is intended to be comprehensive. It is the intent of the People of the Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit District that, in the event this measure and one or more measures relating to a special tax in the Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit District shall appear on the same ballot, the provisions of the other measure or measures shall be deemed in conflict with this measure. In the event that this measure receives a greater number of affirmative votes, the provisions of this measure shall prevail in their entirety, and all provisions of the other measure or measures shall be null and void.