



## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING *Proposition D***

**Q: *What is Proposition D?***

A: The National City City Council placed Proposition D on the November 2014 ballot to extend a measure previously adopted by voters in 2006, with no increase in tax rate.

**Q: *Why was Proposition D placed on the ballot?***

A: To address the State's budget problems, Sacramento politicians have taken millions of dollars from National City. To address these historical State takeaways, National City voters enacted a local funding measure in 2006. Funding from this measure has been critical to maintaining a variety of local services, including 9-1-1 services, anti-drug/gang programs, graffiti removal and library programs -- and has allowed the City to maintain its own local Police and Fire Departments. Proposition D has been placed on the November 2014 ballot to continue local funding enacted in 2006.

**Q: *What cuts have already been made?***

A: To offset these state takeaways, our City has made significant budget cuts including deep cuts in the number of police officers, firefighters, and other city employees, consolidating City departments, pension reform, and employee concessions. Without Proposition D, National City will face cutting approximately 25% of its budget, resulting in significant cuts to City services which could increase critical 9-1-1 emergency response times and affect our ability to maintain our locally-run police and fire departments.

**Q: *Is Proposition D a property tax?***

A: NO. Proposition D is NOT a tax on your property. Proposition D simply continues a local one-cent sales tax measure, previously approved by National City voters. With thousands of people visiting National City every day, Proposition D ensures that out-of-towners continue to pay their fair share for police, fire, street repair, and other services they use when they visit National City. Proposition D is not applied to food purchased as groceries or prescription medication.

**Q: *What services will Proposition D address?***

A: If enacted, Proposition D would address the following community priorities, including:

- Maintaining National City's public safety by preventing cuts to fire protection services, firefighters and the number of police officers protecting the City
- Preventing the closure of the Euclid Avenue Fire Station (Station #31) and maintaining our own local, City-run fire and police departments
- Repairing streets and removing graffiti
- Maintaining other community programs such as senior, youth and library services
- Maintaining the City's financial stability

**Q: *Where can I get more information about Proposition D?***

A: For more information about Proposition D please visit the City's website at:

[www.nationalcityca.gov](http://www.nationalcityca.gov).