Use and Control of Treasure Island



PROPOSITION K

Shall it be City policy to urge the repeal of State and City laws authorizing the Treasure Island Development Authority to oversee the conversion of Treasure Island to civilian use, and to impose certain restrictions on the development and leasing of Treasure Island?

YES



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THE WAY IT IS NOW: In 1997, the Navy closed its base on Treasure Island. Currently, the Navy and the City are negotiating the transfer of this base to the City. The City has created a non-profit corporation, called the Treasure Island Development Authority, to oversee the conversion of this base to civilian use. Under recent State law, the Board of Supervisors has given the Authority specific powers over land use on Treasure Island.

THE PROPOSAL: Proposition K is a Declaration of Policy. Proposition K would make it City policy that:

- All Treasure Island leases of 10 years or more or with revenues of \$1 million or more be approved by the Board of Supervisors.
- All Treasure Island leases be awarded by competitive bidding or other competitive means, and that no favoritism or political influence be used in awarding leases.
- No casino or gambling operation be permitted on Treasure Island.

- All Treasure Island leases be subject to state and local laws on conflict of interest and incompatible activities.
- Treasure Island be subject to the City's waterfront land use restrictions and other current City zoning and development laws.
- The State should repeal the law giving powers to the Treasure Island Development Authority.
- The Board should repeal its law creating the Treasure Island Development Authority and its law allowing certain Treasure Island leases to be awarded without competitive bidding.

A "YES" VOTE MEANS: You want to adopt this Declaration of Policy regarding the development and leasing of Treasure Island.

A "NO" VOTE MEANS: You do not want to adopt this Declaration of Policy regarding the development and leasing of Treasure Island.

Controller's Statement on "K"

City Controller Edward Harrington has issued the following statement on the fiscal impact of Proposition K:

In my opinion, should the proposed Declaration of Policy be adopted and implemented, it could affect the cost of government in an amount that cannot be determined at this time.

How "K" Got on the Ballot

On March 4, 1998 the Director of Elections certified that the initiative petition, calling for Proposition K to be placed on the ballot, had qualified for the ballot.

10,510 signatures were required to place an initiative Declaration of Policy on the ballot. This number is equal to 5% of the total number of people who voted for Mayor in 1995.

A random check of signatures submitted on March 3, 1998 by the proponents of the initiative petition showed that more than the required number of signatures were valid.

THIS MEASURE REQUIRES 50%+1 AFFIRMATIVE VOTES TO PASS.