

LAKE SHASTINA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 2-04

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE LOCAL TAXPAYER AND PUBLIC SAFETY PROTECTION ACT

WHEREAS, state government currently seizes over \$400 million in special district property tax funds (ERAF) statewide, seriously reducing resources available for local public services such as parks and recreation, police and fire protection, water and wastewater, library and many others;

WHEREAS, in adopting the state budget this year the Legislature and Governor appropriated local revenue streams such as the Vehicle License Fee (VLF), sales taxes and property taxes that are needed to finance critical local services such as public safety, parks, street maintenance, housing and economic development; and

WHEREAS, the state budget also relies on a deficit bond financing program that is predicated on a local property and sales tax swap that leaves district services vulnerable to future losses if the state's economic condition fails to improve; and

WHEREAS, the adopted budget assumes the state will continue to face an ongoing structural budget deficit of at least \$8 billion, putting local government financial resources at risk in future years; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly clear that state will continue to use local tax funds to balance the state budget unless the voters limit the power of the legislature and governor to do so; and

WHEREAS, the voters of California are the best judges of whether local tax funds should be diverted, confiscated, shifted or otherwise taken by the legislature to finance an ever expanding state government; and

WHEREAS, at the California Special Districts Association (CSDA) annual membership meeting held on September 16, 2003 voted to support a statewide ballot initiative to empower the voters to limit the ability of state government to confiscate local tax funds to fund state government; and

WHEREAS, CSDA has requested that special districts offer support for a November 2004 ballot initiative that will allow voters to decide whether state government may appropriate local tax funds to fund state government operations and responsibilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LAKE SHASTINA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT that the District hereby expresses its strong support for a statewide ballot initiative to allow voters to decide whether local tax funds may be taken, confiscated, shifted, diverted or otherwise used to fund state government operations and responsibilities; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board of Directors and staff provide such educational materials on the possible impacts of such an initiative as may be lawfully provided by the district's representatives; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the constituents of the district are encouraged to become well informed on the opportunities available to them through such an initiative to safeguard the critical local services on which they rely; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the General Manager (or Board Secretary) is hereby directed to send a copy to the Executive Director of the California Special Districts Association.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution duly passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Lake Shastina Community Services District, Siskiyou County, California, at a meeting thereof duly held on the 17th day of March, 2004 by the following vote:

Ayes:

Directors Dean, Dilley, Negro and Roths

Noes:

None None

Abstain: Absent:

Brezinsky

Lake Shastina Community Services District

Craig Dilley, Presiden

ATTEST:

L. JAMES LEA, District Secretary

Item 9. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Status of Medical Clinic Received and Filed: Pres. Dilley announced that Mercy Medical Center will be holding a Blessing and Ground Breaking Ceremony for the Lake Shastina Medical Clinic on March 29, 2004 at 3:30 p.m. Pres. Dilley and Dir. Negro will not be able to attend and Dir. Dean may not be able to attend. Dir. Roths stated that the doctors for the Medical Clinic, husband and wife, Phillip and Jill Miller MD, will be at the ceremony. GM Lea reported to Board that improvements for the Medical Clinic paid by the District will be reimbursed to the District in the lease agreement.
- B. Status of Emerald Crescent Estates: GM Lea reported that on March 10, 2004 the County Planning Department denied ECE's permit request. ECE will appeal to the Board of Supervisors.

Item 10. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Approval of Resolution 2-04: support of statewide ballot initiative – Received and Filed: Pres. Dilley read title of Resolution 2-04 and section "Now Therefore".

Motion by Dir. Roths second by Dir. Dean to approve Resolution 2-04 supporting the Local Taxpayer and Public Safety Protection Act.

Ayes: Directors Dean, Dilley, Negro and Roths

Noes: None

Absent: Director Brezinsky

Item 11. PUBLIC COMMENT: Tony Lombard

Item 12. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: April 21, 2004 at 3:00 p.m. at the Administration Building.

Open Session was adjourned at 4:02 p.m.

Item 13. CLOSED SESSION: Board went into Closed Session at 4:10 p.m.

- A. Personnel Matters
 - 1. Fire Department
 - 2. Workers Compensation Reports
- B. Legal Matters
 - 1. Bare vs. District
 - 2. Hall W.C. Claim #2003011214
 - 3. Medical Clinic Negotiations, Letter of Intent Ground Lease Agreement
 - 4. Sendejo vs. District Case #1236060 and 1236062 (Unemployment)

Board returned from Closed Session and went into Open Session at 4:50 p.m. and reported no action taken.

Item 14. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Approval Date:

Sylvia Charvez, Recording Secretary