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Subject: Information Available on City's Website Regarding Open Space Measures on June Ballot

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MARTINEZ – The City of Martinez announced today that in an effort to assist voters in understanding the effects of the two open space measures on the June 5th ballot, an informational web page has been created on the City's website.

The two measures are the City-sponsored Measure F and an initiative, Measure I. To view the full content of both measures and other available information, please visit the City of Martinez website and click on June 2018 Election – Open Space, Park & Recreation Lands Measures icon on the front page.

Brad Kilger, City Manager, explained "the City has added this page dedicated to the Open Space and Park & Recreation Lands Measures on the June ballot to provide voters with an easily accessible resource with links to information relevant to both measures". He went on to say, "I strongly encourage voters to educate themselves on the differences between these two very important measures, which could have a significant impact on the future of the City of Martinez."

Along with the informational links to both ballot measures, the City has included on the web page a list of **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) Regarding Measure F** in response to inquiries from the public on why the City Council placed the measure on the ballot.

In accordance with the State Election Code, the City Council commissioned a report on how Measure I would affect the City and its residents. The findings of this report, which included determining that over 500 privately-owned parcels (including hundreds of single family properties) would be impacted by Measure I, prompted the City Council to place Measure F on the ballot. The City Council felt that it was advisable to provide voters a choice to protect public open space and park and recreation lands while not affecting private property. You can read that report on the election web page by clicking on: **Report on Measure I to City Council**.

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