

INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICTS OF ORANGE COUNTY (ISDOC)

September 30, 2009

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Mr. Donal Russell
General Manager
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Re: ISDOC Special Election to Approve Annual Dues Increase (Quarterly Meeting – Thursday, October 29, 2009).

Dear Mr. Russell:

The Independent Special Districts of Orange County (ISDOC) will be conducting a special election at its quarterly meeting on Thursday, October 29, 2009 to consider a membership dues increase effective January 2010. If approved by a majority of the member districts that cast ballots at the meeting, annual membership dues would increase from \$50 to \$200.

This letter shall serve as the official notice of the election, to be held on Thursday, October 29, 2009 at 11:45 a.m. in the MWDOC/OCWD Joint Board Room (18700 Ward Street, Fountain Valley, CA 92708).

The proposed dues increase is supported by your ISDOC Executive Committee and is necessary for ISDOC to maintain its membership and voting status with the Orange County Council of Governments (OCCOG). The OCCOG annual membership dues for ISDOC will be \$5,000 effective January 2010 and all independent special districts will be represented. The proposed ISDOC membership dues increase is directly related to the cost of maintaining our membership in OCCOG.

The OCCOG membership is currently comprised of 40 local agencies that include all Orange County cities, the County of Orange, Orange County Transportation Authority, Transportation Corridor Agencies, and Orange County special districts (including ISDOC and the Orange County Sanitation District). Membership dues have become necessary in order to cover administrative and management expenses related to OCCOG's regional leadership role with the Southern California Council of Governments (SCAG).

As a joint powers authority, OCCOG serves to monitor, analyze and provide Orange County technical and policy recommendations on all SCAG plans and programs, on behalf of its members. This is done through OCCOG's staff-level Technical Advisory Committee, its Board

of Directors, and its representation of OCCOG Board of Directors on SCAG's Governing Board and policy level committees.

ISDOC's membership in OCCOG helps to ensure that special district interests and issues remain part of both the policy discussions and the decision-making process at OCCOG and SCAG. As such, the ISDOC Executive Committee believes that continued membership in OCCOG is in the best interest of Orange County special districts.

For the purpose of the election on October 29th, the governing body of each regular member district of ISDOC shall designate in writing: 1) one representative who shall exercise the right of that member district to vote; and 2) one alternate representative who shall have the right to vote in the absence of the assigned voting representative. That written designation shall be submitted to the ISDOC Secretary at the quarterly meeting prior to the member district casting its ballot.

If you have questions regarding this election to ratify an increase in annual ISDOC membership dues, please contact David Cordero at (714) 593-5012 or dcordero@mwdoc.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized, overlapping loop followed by a long horizontal stroke that tapers to a point.

Sandra F. Jacobs
President

Attachments: 1) Background on OCCOG
2) ISDOC Quarterly Meeting Notice