

Your regular property taxes already pays for police protection. If you vote no, you will not lose any police services. The Sheriff's Department employs 24 officers and 10 detectives for Area 2, which includes our county island. Crime statistics reviewed by the Local Agency Formation Commission, a California State agency, reveals Fig Garden has one of lowest crime rates in California; adding "overall crime rates in the proposed expansion areas are not appreciably different from the core area."

Don't be fooled. This tax proposal is too vague. The Fig Garden Police Protection District is a separate entity which has run out of money. They employ one Sheriff's Deputy to patrol for limited hours in the core area. Rather than raise tax in their own area, the new tax shifts the cost to us. They want your money to pay for the service of one Deputy patrolling an area nearly twice as large.

This tax allows for annual increases without a vote and the tax will continue indefinitely; there is no time limit. The total annual tax, the first year, is almost 1/2 million dollars. A tax that increases annually based on the consumer price index, may be a hardship to retired residents and those on fixed incomes.

Despite rumors, Fresno City police officers are not taking over in Fig Garden. The Sheriff's Department is here to stay.

The only way to stop this tax is to send in your ballot today, and VOTE NO.

*The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the primary argument against ballot proposition Fig Garden Police Protection District Special Tax at the All-Mailed Ballot Election for the County of Fresno to be held on October 10, 2006 hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.*

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Neighboring Property Owners --Wilson and Barbara Dyer	07/27/2006
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Homeowners Against FGPPD Tax --Delia Gonzalez	07/27/2006
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Indianapolis Homeowners Association --Natalia Permiakova --Alexei Pouzakov	07/27/2006