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"Fix Our Roads" One Step Closer

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At just four hundred signatures short, with two weeks until the deadline, it looks a proposed \$89 flat tax may make it onto the November ballot. City Council members at the July 11 meeting were pleased that despite some unusual weather, campaign volunteers who had gone door to door and spent time in front of Diablo Foods were able to collect 1,200 signatures in support of this road repair tax.

The matter will be heard again at the July 25 City Council meeting where organizers hope to present 1,600 valid signatures to place a measure initiated entirely by citizens on the ballot. In addition to the \$89 per year for a period of ten years, the City Council intends to contribute \$3 million dollars of reserve funds toward the project.

"Although there has been very little negative response it's difficult to find people who want to walk through their neighborhoods and collect signatures," said Guy Atwood, Co-Chair of the Fix Our Roads Campaign.

"I've watched the streets of Lafayette deteriorate since 1966," said Anthony Unger, who lives in the Burton Valley neighborhood. He collected thirty signatures and reports that only one person said no.

Look for a City Council vote to place the measure on the ballot at their July 25 meeting at the Lafayette Library and Learning Center. With no organized opposition to date and endorsements from the Lafayette Taxpayers Association, the Lafayette Homeowners Council, Chamber of Commerce and the Acalanes Valley Homeowners Association - the future looks encouraging - at least so far.

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