



ELK GROVE TOWNSHIP - ABOLISH ROAD DISTRICT

Shall the Road District of the Township of Elk Grove be abolished with all of the rights, powers, duties, assets, property, liabilities, obligations, and responsibilities being assumed by the Township of Elk Grove?

We have provided facts about township operations below that we hope will inform your decision.

A. CURRENT TOWNSHIP ROAD DISTRICT OPERATIONS.

- The Road District maintains approximately 5.5 miles of road in unincorporated Elk Grove Township.
- The Highway Commissioner (\$15,000 salary) is the chief executive of the Road District.
- The Road District has one employee, the Road District Foreman (approx. \$120,000 in salary and benefits).
 - *This employee recently resigned, and a replacement has not been selected.*
- Road maintenance is performed by contractors selected through the statutory bid process.
- Snow removal and branch pick up operations are conducted by the Highway Commissioner and foreman.
- Road District expenditures are reviewed by the Township Finance Director, and the Township Administrator.
- Road District Budgets, Levies, and expenditures are approved by the Township Board.
- The Township Supervisor serves as the Road District Treasurer.

B. CHANGES IN TOWNSHIP ROAD DISTRICT / TOWNSHIP OPERATIONS IF THIS REFERENDUM IS APPROVED.

- The Township Supervisor would serve as the chief executive of the Road District.
 - The Township Board will continue to approve budgets, levies, and expenditures related to road maintenance, snow removal, and branch pick up.
 - The Finance Director and Administrator will continue to review expenditures related to road maintenance, snow removal, and branch pick up.
- The Road District Foreman position would not be filled.
- Snow removal and branch pick up operations would be conducted by contractors selected by the Township Board (anticipated cost of \$25,000 - \$30,000 annually).
- The Township Board anticipates hiring a part-time employee to supervise contractors (approx. \$15,000 annually).
- Estimated savings \$90,000 - \$95,000 annually.

C. WHAT YOUR VOTE MEANS

- A **NO** vote means you are in favor of keeping current Township Road District operations.
- A **YES** vote means you are in favor of consolidating Township and Road District operations as described in Section "B" above.