



## CITY OF MISSION VIEJO ELECTION SUMMARY AND CANDIDATE/MEASURE RECAP

The City of Mission Viejo was incorporated March 31, 1988, becoming Orange County's 27th city. Any election materials leading to that point are on file at the County of Orange Registrar of Voters.

### November 3, 1987 - School/Special District Election City of Mission Viejo Incorporation and Selection of Council Members

#### Measure M

Shall the order adopted on July 22, 1987, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Orange ordering a reorganization affecting the Mission Viejo Community Services District and providing for the incorporation of the City of Mission Viejo and the merging of the Mission Viejo Community Services District with the new City of Mission Viejo subject to the terms and conditions specified in the order, including the establishment of an appropriations limit for the City of Mission Viejo of \$35,000,000 and the continuance as city taxes of the sales and use tax, transient occupancy, the real property transfer tax, and other general taxes presently imposed by the county at the same rate as imposed by the county and using the same manner of collection, be confirmed?

Yes	7,572	57%
No	5,661	43%

#### City Council Member Candidates

*William S. Craycraft	6,286
*Robert A. Curtis	6,174
*Christian W. Keena	5,524
*Victoria C. Jaffe	5,498
*Norman P. Murray	5,264
Robert David Bretón	4,540
Wanda Driskill	4,284
Werner R. Raes	3,259
Barry Gilmore	3,024
Bob Silverman	2,716
Reid D. Steinbauer	1,849
Gary Michael Tucker	1,626

#### Ballot and Turnout Summary

Registered Voters:	32,307
Precinct Ballots Cast:	12,684
Absentee Ballots Cast	779
Total Ballots Cast	13,463
Turnout:	41%

On October 23, 1989, the Mission Viejo City Council voted to consolidate its General Municipal Election with the Statewide General Election to achieve increased voter turnout and cost savings. This changed the General Municipal Election date from April to November 6, 1990, and extended elected officeholders' terms.

February 27, 1990 – Special Election Recall of Councilman Robert A. Curtis and Annexation Measure		
Recall of Councilman Curtis Shall Robert A. Curtis be recalled (removed) from the office of Council Member?		
Yes	3,898	31%
No	8,809	69%
Filling Vacancy/Recall If the recall prevails shall the City Council fill the vacancy by appointment or call a special election for that purpose?		
By Appointment	2,017	18%
By Special Election	8,927	82%
Measure A Shall approval by a majority of the voters of the City of Mission Viejo be required before the City Council initiates or supports any annexation in excess of 100 acres to the City?		
Yes	10,570	84%
No	2,022	16%
Ballot and Turnout Summary		
Registered Voters:	37,889	
Precinct Ballots Cast:	10,593	
Absentee Ballots Cast	2,187	
Total Ballots Cast	12,780	
Turnout:	34%	

**November 6, 1990 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 3 City Council Members**

**City Council Member Candidates**

*Sharon Cody	9,913
*Robert David (Bob) Bretón	7,716
*Susan Withrow	5,713
David Holbert	4,951
Joseph D. Lowe	4,796
Gary Manley	4,588
Marilyn J. MacDougall	4,454
Norman P. “Norm” Murray	4,408
Ray Carolin	4,102
Alan F. Gallup	3,293
John C. Connolly	3,194
David H. Mitchell	2,187
Val Secarea	2,006
Edward J. Kearns	1,894

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	38,009
Precinct Ballots Cast:	20,138
Absentee Ballots Cast	4,609
Total Ballots Cast	24,747
Turnout:	65%

**January 29, 1992 – Advisory Survey  
Aegean Hills Annexation**

**Advisory Question**

Should the neighborhood known as Aegean Hills be annexed to the City of Mission Viejo if the majority of Aegean Hills residents support annexation?

Yes	9,465	81%
No	2,221	19%

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	37,549
Total Ballots Cast	11,725
Turnout:	31%

**June 2, 1992 – Primary Election  
City Hall Measure**

**Measure A**

Shall the City of Mission Viejo construct a City Hall near the intersection of Los Altos and Crown Valley Parkway on the permanent Civic Center site dedicated at no cost to the City?

Yes	4,678	25%
No	14,297	75%

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	39,619
Total Ballots Cast	19,721
Turnout:	50%

**November 3, 1992 – General Municipal Election**

**Election of 2 City Council Members and 4 Measures**

(1) Financing construction of a Public Library; (2) Financing the acquisition of land for open space purposes; (3) Waste management franchise limit of 5 years; and (4) Requirement for advisory vote on city hall.

**City Council Member Candidates**

*Joseph D. Lowe	11,815
*William S. Craycraft	11,151
Sherri M. Butterfield	10,311
Gary Manley	9,834
Lawrence H.C. Smith	6,815
Don Heffern	5,488
Edward J. Kearns	3,051

**Measure I**

PROPOSITION: Shall the City of Mission Viejo be authorized to issue General Obligation Bonds in the principal amount of five million one hundred thousand dollars (\$5,100,000) to finance the construction of a public library on land already owned by the City on Marguerite between La Paz Road and Estanciero?

Yes	18,681	56%
No	14,406	44%

**Measure J**

PROPOSITION: Shall the City of Mission Viejo be authorized to issue General Obligation Bonds in the principal amount of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to finance the acquisition of land for open space purposes, and in particular a parcel of land of approximately 2.43 acres located in PA 40, north of El Toro Road and east of Marguerite Parkway in the City?

Yes	12,081	37%
No	20,340	63%

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### Measure K

PROPOSITION: Shall Ordinance No. 92-89 be approved which 1) establishes a competitive process for the award of residential and commercial integrated waste management franchises and 2) establishes a maximum franchise period of five (5) years with a provision for one renewal period of two (2) years?

Yes	26,819	84%
No	5,182	16%

### Measure L

PROPOSITION: Shall Ordinance No. 92-90 be adopted which requires the submission to the voters of an advisory measure asking voters whether they approve of the location, size & estimated cost of a project to build a city hall, towne centre complex or city administrative office building?

Yes	27,934	86%
No	4,617	14%

### Ballot and Turnout Summary

Registered Voters:	44,602
Precinct Ballots Cast:	31,483
Absentee Ballots Cast	5,729
Total Ballots Cast	37,212
Turnout:	83%

## November 8, 1994 – General Municipal Election Election of 3 City Council Members

### City Council Member Candidates

*Susan Withrow	12,171
*Sherri M. Butterfield	12,051
*Lawrence H.C. (Larry) Smith	11,475
Lawrence Gilbert	10,784
Karen Irvine	8,834
Tom Potocki	8,801
Neil F. Lonsinger	7,820

### Ballot and Turnout Summary

Registered Voters:	47,667
Precinct Ballots Cast:	27,491
Absentee Ballots Cast	6,020
Total Ballots Cast	33,511
Turnout:	70%

**November 5, 1996 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 2 City Council Members**

**City Council Member Candidates**

*Tom Potocki	14,110
*William S. (Bill) Craycraft	13,593
Lawrence A. “Larry” Gilbert	12,954
Lindalee Adams	6,259
Bradley A. “Brad” Morton	3,431
Jon V. Galaviz	3,149

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	52,912
Precinct Ballots Cast:	30,223
Absentee Ballots Cast	7,989
Total Ballots Cast	38,212
Turnout:	72%

**June 2, 1998 – Special Election  
City Council Term Limits**

**Measure A**

**PROPOSITION:** Shall Ordinance No. 98-180 be adopted which imposes a limit of three consecutive terms on members of the City Council as defined in the ordinance?

Yes	16,269	78%
No	3,243	22%

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	51,022
Precinct Ballots Cast:	16,046
Absentee Ballots Cast:	4,810
Total Ballots Cast:	20,856
Turnout:	41%

**November 3, 1998 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 3 City Council Members**

**City Council Member Candidates**

*Sherri M. Butterfield	13,591
*Susan Withrow	13,479
*John Paul “J.P.” Ledesma	13,018
Lawrence “Larry” H.C. Smith	11,142
Dale Sandore	7,176
Elisia Tabatzky	5,992
Joe R. Chavez	4,485

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	50,225
Precinct Ballots Cast:	23,939
Absentee Ballots Cast	7,473
Total Ballots Cast	31,412
Turnout:	63%

**March 7, 2000 – Special Election**

**City Hall Advisory and Integrated Waste Management Franchise Measures**

**Measure K**

ADVISORY VOTE ONLY: Which of the following options for providing municipal office space, a council chamber, and an emergency operations center should the City of Mission Viejo pursue (vote for the one you prefer):

1. Lease 47,750 square feet of space at a cost of approximately \$107.5 million over the next fifty years.
2. Purchase the 63,500-square-foot building at 25909 Pala at a cost of approximately \$81 million (not including seismic safety and renovation) over the next fifty years.
3. Build a 47,750-square-foot city hall on land already owned by the City across the courtyard from the Mission Viejo Library at a total construction and financing cost of approximately \$57.7 million over the next fifty years.

1-Lease	4,819	16%
2-Purchase	3,151	10%
3-Build	22,825	74%

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Measure L

Shall Ordinance No. 2000-204 be approved, which amends Section 6.10.304 and 6.10.309 of Chapter 6.10 of the Municipal Code to authorize a maximum term of ten years for residential and commercial integrated waste management franchises?

Yes	18,330	62%
No	11,013	38%

Ballot and Turnout Summary

Registered Voters:	52,548
Precinct Ballots Cast:	23,849
Absentee Ballots Cast	12,108
Total Ballots Cast	35,957
Turnout:	68%

November 7, 2000 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 2 City Council Members

City Council Member Candidates

*William S. Craycraft	14,416
*Gail Reavis	14,355
Roger Faubel	13,963
Lance MacLean	13,289
Joe R. Chavez	4,064
Dale A. Sandore	3,228

Ballot and Turnout Summary

Registered Voters:	56,029
Precinct Ballots Cast:	31,151
Absentee Ballots Cast	12,245
Total Ballots Cast	43,396
Turnout:	77.5%



November 5, 2002 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 3 City Council Members

City Council Member Candidates

*Patricia (Trish) Kelley	17,320
*John Paul Ledesma	16,235
*Lance MacLean	15,114
John Maginnis	5,794
Sherri M. Butterfield	5,487
Susan Withrow	4,781
Bob Gaebel	4,551
Emmy Day	3,896
Joe R. Chavez	1,818
Ryan K.L. Cheo	1,743

Ballot and Turnout Summary

Registered Voters:	54,703
Precinct Ballots Cast:	21,105
Absentee Ballots Cast	9,094
Total Ballots Cast	30,199
Turnout:	55.2%

**November 2, 2004 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 2 City Council Members and  
Transient Occupancy Tax Measure**

**City Council Member Candidates**

*Frank Ury	18,772
*Gail Reavis	14,441
Brad Morton	12,299
Nancy Howell	12,071
Dan Joseph	11,885

**Measure K**

Shall Ordinance No. 04-224 entitled “An Ordinance of the City of Mission Viejo Amending Section 3.25.030 of the Mission Viejo Municipal Code to Increase the Rate of the Transient Occupancy Tax (Also Known as the Hotel Bed Tax) From Eight Percent (8%) to Ten Percent (10%) to be Effective Only Upon Approval of a Majority of the Voters Voting on the Ordinance at the Election to be Held on November 2, 2004” be enacted?

Yes	17,544	40.6%
No	25,690	59.4%

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	60,606
Precinct Ballots Cast:	29,391
Absentee Ballots Cast	18,101
Total Ballots Cast	47,492
Turnout:	78.4%

**November 7, 2006 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 3 City Council Members**

**City Council Member Candidates**

*Patricia (Trish) Kelley	12,191
*John Paul Ledesma	10,763
*Lance MacLean	8,574
Diane Greenwood	8,480
Neil Lonsinger	6,272
Bill Barker	6,219
Michael R. Ferrall	6,198
Justin McCusker	5,543
James Edward "Jim" Woodin	5,457
Brian W. Skalsky	4,686

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	59,563
Precinct Ballots Cast:	16,857
Absentee Ballots Cast	15,664
Total Ballots Cast	32,521
Turnout:	54.6%

**November 4, 2008 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 2 City Council Members**

**City Council Member Candidates**

*Frank Ury	16,928
*Cathy Schlicht	13,725
Neil Lonsinger	12,964
Rich Atkinson	9,904
Judy Rackauckas	7,256
Michael Williamson	7,085

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	62,298
Precinct Ballots Cast:	25,239
Vote-by-Mail Ballots Cast	23,481
Total Ballots Cast	48,720
Turnout:	78.2%

**February 2, 2010 – Special Election  
Recall of Councilman Lance MacLean**

Shall Lance MacLean be recalled (removed) from the office of Council Member?

Yes	7,370	50.1%
No	7,351	49.9%

Candidates to succeed Lance MacLean if he is recalled, for the duration of his term ending December 6, 2010

*David “Dave” Leckness	6,396	54.6%
Dale Tyler	5,311	45.4%

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	61,924
Precinct Ballots Cast:	3,787
Vote-by-Mail Ballots Cast	11,002
Total Ballots Cast	14,789
Turnout:	23.9%

**June 8, 2010 – Special Municipal Election  
Right to Vote Initiative Measure**

**Measure D**

Shall the ordinance requiring voter approval of certain amendments to the City of Mission Viejo’s land use laws, documents, or regulations if those amendments change the zoning of residential parcels or commercial or industrial parcels larger than two acres, increase the number of units or parcels on a residential parcel, provide for private development of public land, or make other specified changes and specifying procedures for hearings on other land use law amendments, be adopted?

Yes	7,891	35.7%
No	13,072	59.2%

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	61,984
Precinct Ballots Cast:	8,674
Vote-By-Mail Ballots Cast	13,395
Total Ballots Cast	22,069
Turnout:	35.6%

**November 2, 2010 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 3 City Council Members**

**City Council Member Candidates**

*Patricia “Trish” Kelley	15,996
*David “Dave” Leckness	11,509
*Rhonda Reardon	11,356
Rick Sandzimier	8,398
Brian Skalsky	7,450
Neil Lonsinger	7,292
Bill Barker	6,008
Fred Carr	4,373
Mark Dobrilovic	3,935
Lance R. MacLean	3,766
Ken Golemo	2,483
Sam Mamola	2,268

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	62,493
Precinct Ballots Cast:	17,926
Vote-By-Mail Ballots Cast	20,472
Total Ballots Cast	38,398
Turnout:	61.44%

**November 6, 2012 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 2 City Council Members**

**City Council Member Candidates**

*Frank Ury	18,760
*Cathy Schlicht	15,892
Wendy Bucknum	15,614
Ed Sachs	10,013
Richard W. Coleman	4,768
Desi J. Kiss	3,720

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	63,792
Precinct Ballots Cast:	22,539
Vote-by-Mail Ballots Cast	24,397
Early Voter Ballots cast	247
Total Ballots Cast	47,183
Turnout:	74%

**November 4, 2014 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 3 City Council Members**

**City Council Member Candidates**

*Greg Rath	12,276
*Ed Sachs	11,570
*Wendy Bucknum	9,476
David “Dave” Leckness	8,501
Rhonda Reardon	7,186
Desi Joseph Kiss	5,798
Steven G. Thornton	3,718
Grant J. Voss	2,786

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	55,505
Precinct Ballots Cast:	10,022
Vote-by-Mail Ballots Cast	15,861
Early Voter Ballots cast	0
Total Ballots Cast	25,883
Turnout:	47%

**November 8, 2016 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 2 City Council Members**

**City Council Member Candidates**

*Patricia “Trish” Kelley	22,724
*Brian Goodell	20,198
Cathy Schlicht	13,734
Shelly Blair	7,752
Alex A. Naghibi	5,895

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	59,031
Precinct Ballots Cast:	19,725
Vote-by-Mail Ballots Cast	28,244
Early Voter Ballots cast	2,017
Total Ballots Cast	49,986
Turnout:	84%

**November 6, 2018 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 3 City Council Members**

**City Council Member Candidates**

*Ed Sachs	25,886
*Wendy Bucknum	25,206
*Greg Rath	25,017
Michael McConnell	10,551
Mahmoud El-Farra	8,796

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	58,703
Precinct Ballots Cast:	15,060
Vote-by-Mail Ballots Cast	28,878
Early Voter Ballots cast	1,716
Total Ballots Cast	45,654
Turnout:	77.77%

**November 3, 2020 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 2 City Council Members**

**City Council Member Candidates**

*Patricia “Trish” Kelley	25,865
*Brian Goodell	24,856
Cathy Schlicht	9,532
Pauline Hale	8,420
Jessica Gilbert	5,696
Ryan Tworek	4,384
Steve Sipe	4,340
Michael McConnell	3,914

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	65,011
Election Day Vote Center Ballots Cast:	10,514
Vote-by-Mail Ballots Cast:	48,467
Total Ballots Cast:	58,981
Turnout:	90.7%

November 8, 2022 – General Municipal Election  
Election of 5 City Council Members for Districts 1,2,3,4, and 5

**City Council Member Candidates District 1**

Robert “Bob” Ruesch	3,708
Deborah Cunningham-Skurnik	1,888
Linda Shepard	1,498

**City Council Member Candidates District 2**

Brian Goodell	5,060
Stacy Holmes	3,552

**City Council Member Candidates District 3**

Cynthia Vasquez	2,652
Greg Rath	2,254
Ed Sachs	1,498

**City Council Member Candidates District 4**

Patricia “Trish” Kelley	4,179
Terri Aprati	2,432
Ken Golemo (write-in)	105

**City Council Member Candidates District 5**

Wendy Bucknum	4,881
Jon Miller	2,852

**Ballot and Turnout Summary**

Registered Voters:	65,967
Vote Center Ballots Cast:	6,985
Vote-by-Mail Ballots Cast:	34,438
Total Ballots Cast:	41,423
Turnout:	63%

**Mayors and Mayors Pro Tempore (Pro Tem)**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Mayor</b>	<b>Mayor Pro Tem</b>
January 1, 2023	Brian Goodell	Trish Kelley
January 1, 2022	Wendy Bucknum	Ed Sachs
January 1, 2021	Trish Kelley	Wendy Bucknum
January 1, 2020	Brian Goodell	Trish Kelley



January 1, 2019	Greg Rath	Brian Goodell
January 1, 2018	Ed Sachs	Greg Rath
January 1, 2017	Wendy Bucknum	Ed Sachs
January 1, 2016	Frank Ury	Wendy Bucknum
January 1, 2015	Cathy Schlicht	Greg Rath
January 1, 2014	Trish Kelley	Dave Leckness
January 1, 2013	Rhonda Reardon	Trish Kelley
January 1, 2012	Frank Ury	Rhonda Reardon
January 1, 2011	Dave Leckness	Frank Ury
February 15, 2010	Trish Kelley	Dave Leckness
January 1, 2010	Lance MacLean	Trish Kelley
January 1, 2009	Frank Ury	Lance Maclean
January 1, 2008	Trish Kelley	Frank Ury
January 1, 2007	Gail Reavis	John Paul Ledesma
January 1, 2006	Lance R. MacLean	Frank Ury
January 1, 2005	Trish Kelley	Lance R. MacLean
January 1, 2004	Gail Reavis	Trish Kelley, Vice Mayor
January 1, 2003	John Paul Ledesma	Gail Reavis, Vice Mayor
January 1, 2002	Susan Withrow	Sherri M. Butterfield
January 1, 2001	William S. Craycraft	Susan Withrow
January 1, 2000	Sherri M. Butterfield	William S. Craycraft
January 1, 1999	Sherri M. Butterfield	Thomas R. Potocki
January 1, 1998	Susan Withrow	Sherri M. Butterfield
January 1, 1997	William S. Craycraft	Susan Withrow
January 1, 1996	Sherri M. Butterfield	William S. Craycraft
January 1, 1995	Joseph D. Lowe	Sherri M. Butterfield
January 1, 1994	Susan Withrow	Joseph D. Lowe
January 1, 1993	Robert D. Bretón	Susan Withrow
January 1, 1992	Sharon Cody	Robert D. Bretón
January 1, 1991	Robert A. Curtis	Sharon Cody
January 1, 1990	Christian W. Keena	Victoria C. Jaffe
January 1, 1989	William S. Craycraft	Christian W. Keena
March 31, 1988	Norman P. Murray	William S. Craycraft