



The Front Porch Flyer

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Special Edition: MNA Votes on Proposition 2

Please join us for the upcoming Mueller Neighborhood Association Meeting, held on Saturday, October 11 from 10:00-11:00 AM at the Ronald McDonald House, 1315 Barbara Jordan Blvd. We encourage you to walk or ride your bike to the meeting, but free parking is available at Mueller's regional retail center.

The main item on the agenda is a **vote to support or oppose Proposition 2**. Proposition 2, which will be on the November 4 ballot, is a citizen-proposed charter amendment that would prohibit the City of Austin from providing financial incentives to projects with retail uses, including the existing developments at Mueller and The Domain. The MNA vote on this issue was authorized by the membership at our September 20th meeting with the following motion (as paraphrased from our notes):

The Steering Committee will determine whether a vote will be scheduled at a regular or specially called meeting of the MNA; and at this meeting, a vote shall be taken to determine if the MNA will oppose or support Proposition 2. This vote will require a supermajority.

Over the next week, please take the time to become informed about Proposition 2. One source of information is **MuellerCommunity.com**, which has a forum specifically devoted to Proposition 2: click "Forums," then the Proposition 2 topic under "General Mueller Community Info." You may also want to visit the websites of **KeepAustinsWord.com** and **StopDomainSubsidies.com**, or read the archives at **AustinChronicle.com**. If you have questions, email us at **Prop2info@muellercommunity.com**.

We believe that Proposition 2 is a critical issue that may affect the future development of our vibrant mixed-use neighborhood. Bring your thoughts, opinions, and questions about Proposition 2 to the meeting; we expect a lively discussion before the vote, and want all viewpoints well represented. The motion to call the vote may be phrased along these lines (provided here so you can contemplate your choice in advance):

The MNA shall oppose Proposition 2.

Keep in mind that if the motion is phrased in this manner, a vote in favor would be a vote to *oppose* Proposition 2, not a vote *for* Proposition 2.

Again, please visit **MuellerCommunity.com** for Proposition 2 information, and email your thoughts and questions to **Prop2info@muellercommunity.com**.

We hope to see you at the meeting next Saturday. If you are not yet a member, bring your \$10 annual dues to vote.

– *The Front Porch Flyer* Editorial Board, on behalf of the Mueller Neighborhood Association Steering Committee