

Measure T Annual Report



In November 2024, the Zayante Fire Protection District placed Measure T on the ballot for community consideration. The measure provides additional funding through a parcel tax to support improved daytime staffing and capital outlay funding.

The measure was approved by over 73% of voters at the general election.

The District Board of Directors withheld spending Measure T funding for staffing until the actual revenues were received through the property tax calendar (December 25' and April 26'). This delay assured that hired personnel expenses would align with available revenue.



Wildland Engine 2437

Key accomplishments in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 included:

- Hiring a full-time 40-hour Fire Captain
- Hiring (2) additional part-time Fire Apparatus Operators
- Hiring (2) additional part-time Firefighter – EMT's
- Making the Lease Payment on a Type 3 4x4 Wildland Engine - E2437
- Purchase and outfitted a Used Type 1 Fire Engine – E2412
- Used Command Vehicle Purchased by the Zayante FF Association – outfitted by the District.
- Made a \$50,000 contribution to the Capital Outlay Fund for future investment

Engine 2437 (2023 Wildland Engine – Lease Purchase Payment	\$80,336.96
Engine 2412 (purchase- used Structure Engine /outfit radio, Technology)	\$59,335.62
Chief 2400 (ZFFA donation- used Chevy Tahoe /outfit radios, Technology)	\$25,576.31
Engine 2447 (used – Ford F550 Wildland Engine/ outfit lights, siren, radio)	\$6,818.31
Capital Outlay reserve contribution	\$50,000.00
Total Capital Outlay Investment:	\$222,067.20

Measure T Daytime Staff Jan 2026-June 2026 covering (3) First Responders 7 days a week	
(Includes Payroll, OASDI-SS, Workers Compensation, Unemployment Insurance expenses)	
Total Payroll Investment:	\$235,262.47
Measure T Staffing and Capital Outlay Investment	<u>\$457,329.67</u>

Measure T Revenue property tax	<u>\$454,924.62</u>
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Summary

This document outlines recent Measure T investments in daytime staffing, fire apparatus and equipment outfits, including lease payment for a 2023 Type 3 4x4 Wildland Engine, the purchase and outfitting of a used Type 1 Structure Fire Engine, and acquisition and equipping of a used command vehicle with radios and a computer. The outfitting of a 2006 Ford F550 Wildland unit with radio, siren, lights. A \$50,000 contribution was made to the Capital Outlay Fund for a future replacement schedule. Annual expenses totaling \$222,067.20 were invested in capital outlay expense.

The Fire District surplused and sold (2) Structure Fire Engines last year; a 1992 and 2000, due to mechanical issues. We adapted our Fleet to meet our risk model and budget.

Staffing investment from the January 2026 to June 2026 fiscal period totaled \$235,262.47, providing (3) personnel (7) days a week from 8-5 pm.

Total Measure T investment in Personnel Staffing and Equipment was \$457,329.67 and was made possible with the \$454,924.62 in Measure T supplemental tax revenue generously provided by our community.

Newly implemented merit-based top-step wages now reflect on a 40-hour week – 2080-hour annual basis:

Fire Chief \$66,497

Fire Captain \$70,782

Fire Engineer \$63,211

Firefighter \$50,564

Keynotes

The newly acquired Engine 2412, purchased for \$40,000, is a well-maintained 2002 KME Spartan and is expected to deliver 7-10 years of service and replaces an older unit now in reserve status, offering significant savings compared to the cost of new fire apparatus ranging from \$965,000 to \$1,200,000 with a multi-year wait list.

This unit replaced a 2000 HME-Westates Type 1 Structure Engine now in reserve status.



Zayante Volunteer Firefighters researched, shopped, purchased, delivered, and donated to the Fire District a New-to-Us Fire Command vehicle. (\$32,500)



This unit replaced a 2004 Chevy Tahoe that has been put in reserve status.

The Zayante Fire Protection District has pivoted its fleet model, learning from the post-CZU Lightning Complex fire lessons, acquiring (3) smaller 4x4 Wildland Fire Engines over two years to allow firefighters to increase post-fire patrols during a wildland fire event, ensuring homes are monitored after a fire passes through our neighborhoods. Smaller units allow greater access on challenging roads and allow non-commercial licensed drivers to operate the units. This allows more units to be engaged in monitoring the fire's progression and threats to our homes.

Engine 2447 – previously serving the City of San Jose. One of two similar units. E2448 is located at Fire Station 3 on White Rock and Upper Zayante Rd.

Type 6 Wildland Fire Engines: 2006 Ford F550 4x4 carries 325 gallons of water and 20 gallons Class A fire suppression foam.



You can make sure
WE'RE HERE WHEN YOU NEED US

We've answered
418
Calls
from 10/1/22-9/30/23

210
Emergency
Medical, Rescue,
& Public Service

109
Hazardous
Conditions &
Severe Weather

84
Misc. Calls
Including
Smoke Checks
& False Alarms

15
Structure &
Wildfire Calls

DID YOU KNOW?
Many of our calls are
public assist, helping
our aging population

Zayante Fire Dept.
is a
volunteer
fire department.

Funded by **you**,
governed by **you**,
county funding.

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MATTERS MOST**
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