

# Oakdale Fire Protection District: 2024 Revenue Measure Feasibility Survey

April 2024

The Oakdale Fire Protection District commissioned Godbe Research to conduct a survey of local voters with the following research objectives:

- Gauge the public's perceptions of whether the District is providing quality fire protection and 9-1-1 emergency medical services, as well as effectively managing taxpayer funds;
- Assess potential support for a parcel tax measure to provide essential fire protection and emergency medical response with funding that cannot be taken by the State;
- Prioritize programs to be funded with the proceeds;
- Test the influence of informational and critical statements on potential voter support;
- Identify the rate at which voters will support the measure;
- Assess opinion on the future direction of the economy; and
- Use demographic and/or voter behavioral characteristics to assure the sample is representative of the respective voter universes.

### Methodology Overview

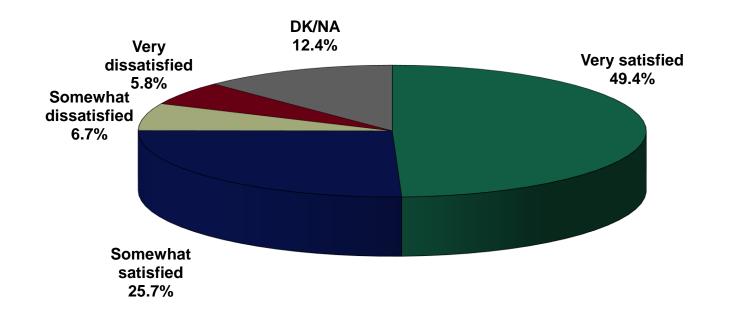
Data Collection  $\geq$ Landline (3), cell (94), text to online (121), and email to online (1) interviewing Universe 6,407 Likely November 2024 Voters  $\geq$ Fielding Dates March 18 through March 24, 2024 Interview Length 18 minutes Sample Size n=219 Margin of Error + 6.51%



## Key Findings

### Q1. Satisfaction With Job OFPD is Doing to Provide Services Likely November 2024 Voters

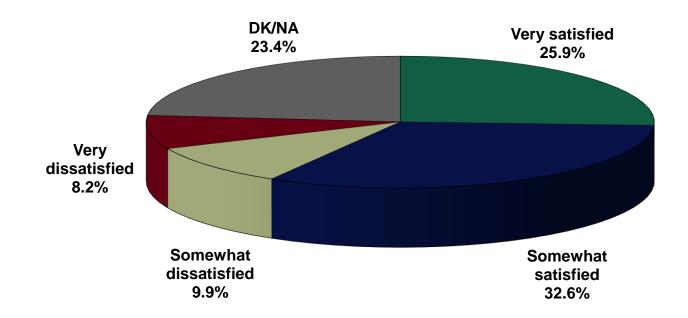
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	3/24 Survey
	11/24 Voters
Total Satisfied	75.1%
Total Dissatisfied	12.5%
Ratio Sat to Dissat	5.99

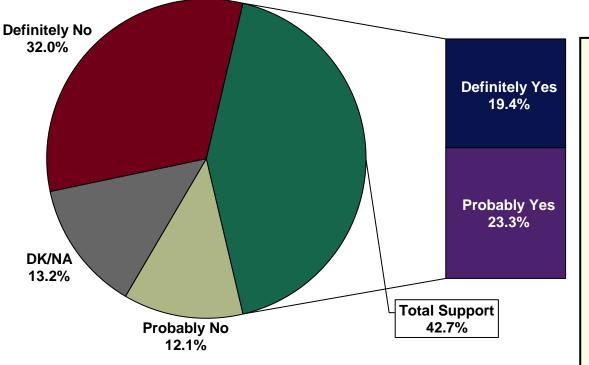
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### Q2. Satisfaction With the District's Management of Public Funds Likely November 2024 Voters



	3/24 Survey
	<u>11/24 Voters</u>
Total Satisfied	58.4%
Total Dissatisfied	18.2%
Ratio Sat to Dissat	3.21

### Q3. Uninformed Support for Parcel Tax Measure Likely November 2024 Voters



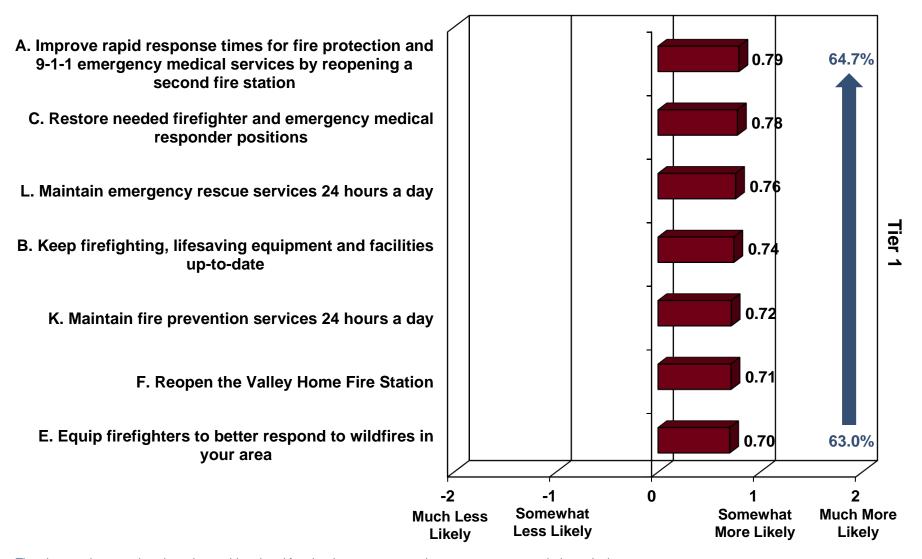
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- improving rapid response times for fire protection/ 9-1-1 emergency medical by reopening a second fire station, and
- keeping firefighting/ lifesaving equipment/ facilities up-to-date,

shall the Oakdale Fire Protection District ordinance be adopted, levying \$330 per parcel plus 6¢ per square foot for residential parcels (other uses/ rates in the voter handbook), raising approximately \$1,950,000 annually, until ended by voters, with independent oversight and all money staying local?

#### Q4. Features of the Measure I Likely November 2024 Voters

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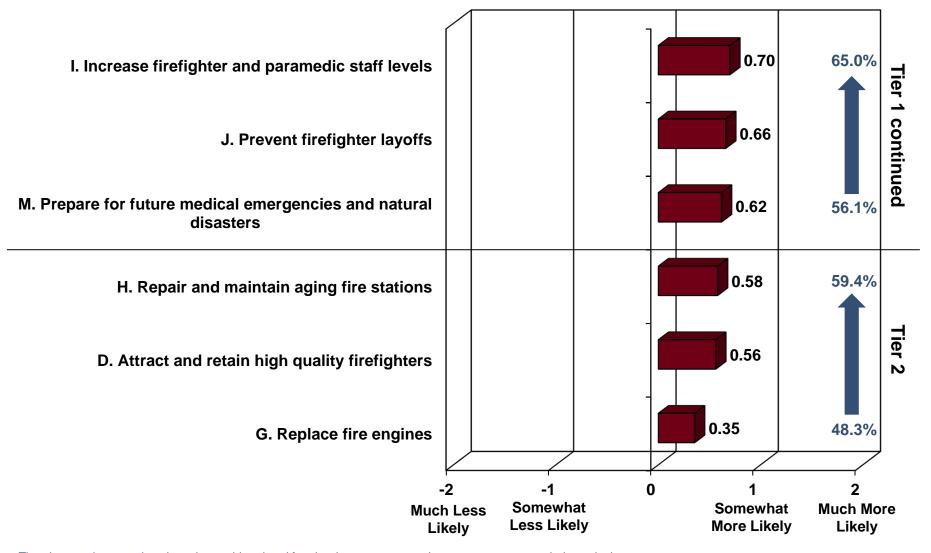


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#### Q4. Features of the Measure II Likely November 2024 Voters

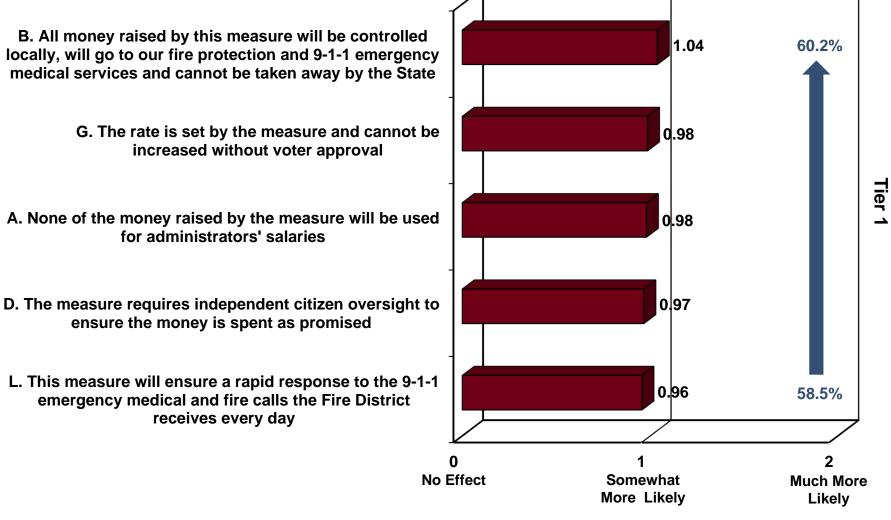
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#### Q5. Informational Statements I Likely November 2024 Voters

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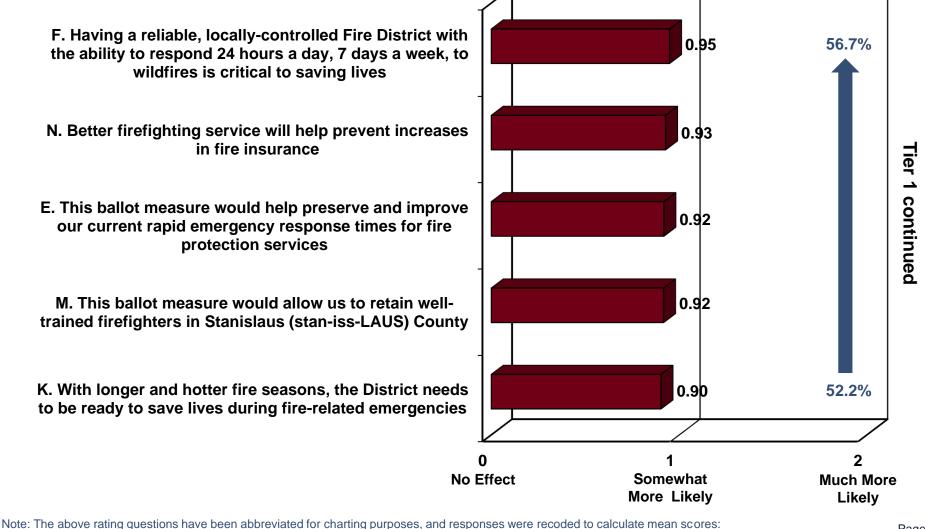


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#### Q5. Informational Statements II Likely November 2024 Voters

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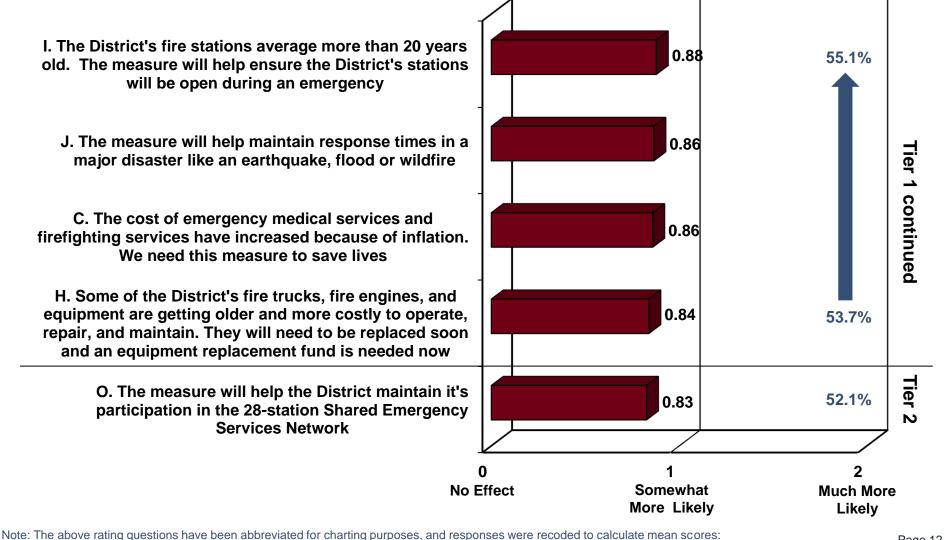


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#### Q5. Informational Statements III Likely November 2024 Voters

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#### Q6. Critical Statements Likely November 2024 Voters

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B. With residents and businesses struggling with continuing inflation, including high gas and grocery prices, high mortgage interest rates and high rents,...

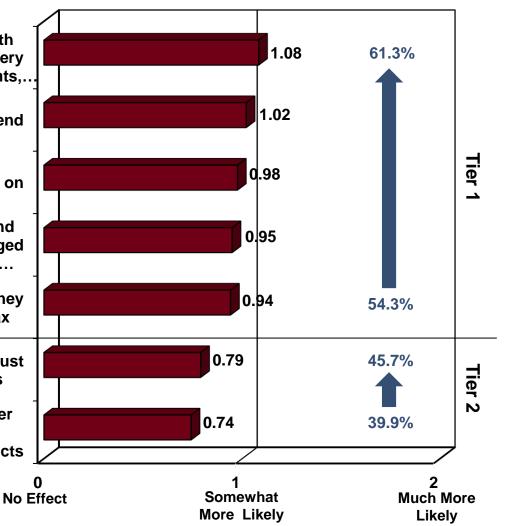
E. The measure is a forever tax that will never end

D. Some areas are already paying more for fire insurance, now the District wants to increase taxes on top of homeowner insurance

A. The Fire District has high paid administrators, and pensions are out of control. If the Fire District managed its money better and spent within its means, this...

F. If the District had not wasted the taxpayer money they already get, we would not need another tax

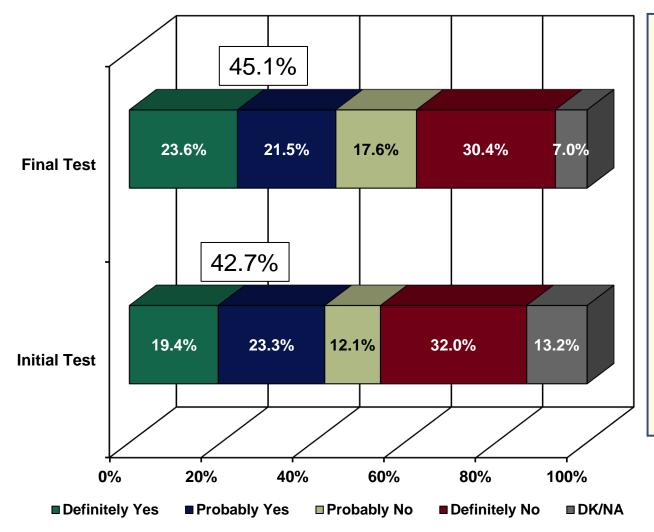
- C. The politicians that support this measure are just taking advantage of the public fear of wildfires
- G. The District should return to being a volunteer department, the way it was before the costly consolidation of the three previous historic districts



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### Q7. Informed Support for Parcel Tax Measure Likely November 2024 Voters

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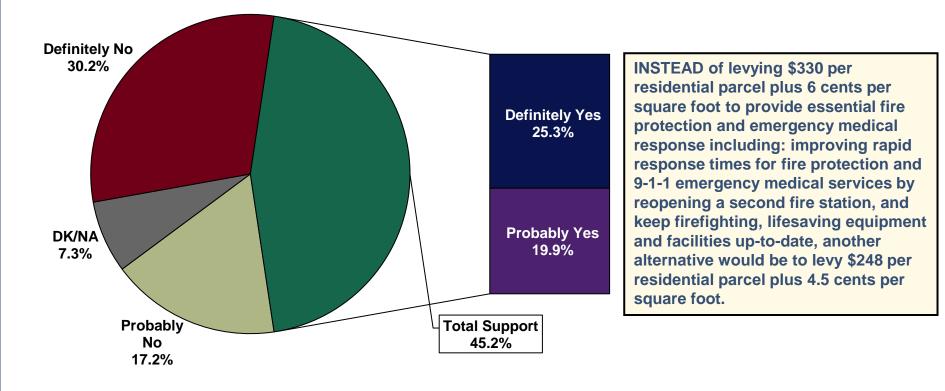
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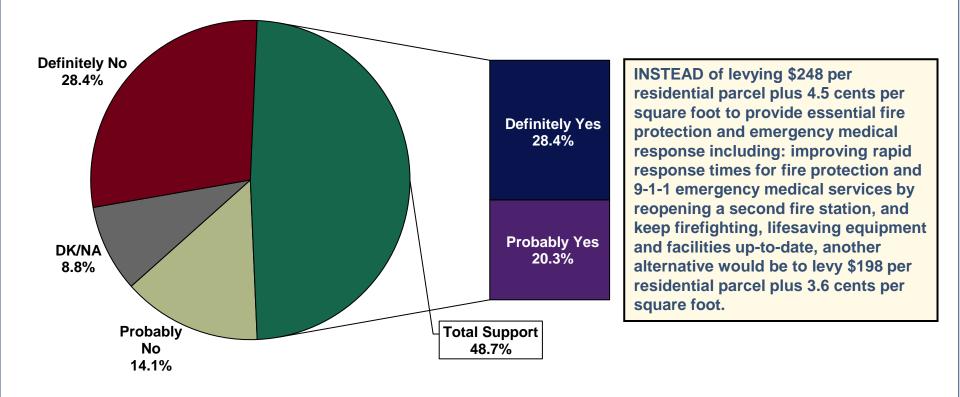
### Q8. Support for Alternative \$248 Plus 4.5¢ Per Square Foot Measure Likely November 2024 Voters

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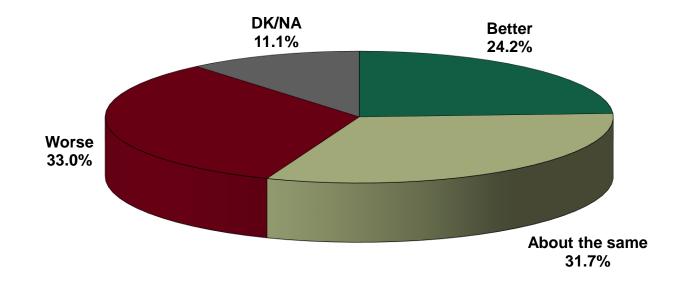
### Q9. Support for Alternative \$198 Plus 3.6¢ Per Square Foot Measure Likely November 2024 Voters

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#### Q10. Opinion on Future Direction of Economy Likely November 2024 Voters

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	3/24 Survey
	11/24 Voters
Better	24.2%
About the Same	31.7%
Worse	33.0%

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