

## Lafayette's Measure **B Parcel Tax Passes**

By Cathy Tyson

ith nine of nine precincts Lafayette School District Parcel Tax measure passed with 74.19% of the vote. Measure B, a \$176 per parcel tax for the next four years, easily met the two-thirds yes votes required to pass. The measure will raise \$1.5 million annually to preserve core academic funding in math, science and technology, along with art computers and more.

Opponents land owners, who pay the same \$176 per year regardless of parcel

Calling it a vote of confireporting, it's official, the dence for extraordinary teacher and support staff, Lafayette School District Superintendent Dr. Fred Bill couldn't be happier, "The success of the election is a testament to the community's commitment to maintaining a public education of the highest quality. The citizens of Lafayette have a long history of doing whatever it takes to ensure that and music programs, classroom we, educators, have the necessary resources and support to provide complained the richest educational experience about the senior citizen exemp- for all students." He adds, "At tion and a one size fits all cost to the end of the day, it is our students who are the true beneficiaries of your commitment to their educational program."

### **Patio Approved for** Clocktower Tenant Patxi's Pizza

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Artist's rendering of recently approved patio for Patxi's Pizza. Image courtesy of SZFM Design Studio.

is complete around May 16.

design of La Fiesta Square, months.

"We're very excited," said Plaza Park, and the Mercantile co-founder of Patxi's and Gen- project, and headed up a coneral Manager of the Lafayette sulting team that designed the location Tara Fawcett, explain- development drawings of the aping that they plan to open later proved, \$1.3 million Downtown this month, anticipating a soft Streetscape Project, funded priopening when the construction marily with a grant that will improve Mt. Diablo Boulevard It's interesting to note that from Trader Joe's to the Round Mohindroo is no stranger to Up. The streetscape project is Lafayette. He has worked on the slated to start in the next few



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