

Dear Reader,

September that means Fall is just around the corner. I don't know about you, but there is something about Fall that I find very comforting. Perhaps it's the weather change, I like the cooler nights. The Summer heat tends to get to me after a while. For me, Fall is the time to make soup. I definitely like to see the leaves changing color. Here is a fun Fall fact, Fall colors are caused by the amount of sugar in leaves. If you thought about Fall, what do you like most about the season?

Update alert! It's been a few months since I wrote about Dasher. Well, she is doing just fine. At 7 months old, she weighs in right at 70 pounds. She is sweeter than ever and continues to play gardener. Basically, potted plants are her personal pot of digging happiness.



With voting season just around the corner here are a few initiatives regarding housing and taxes you may want to research a bit before you cast your vote:

**Proposition 15:** *Tax on Commercial and Industrial Properties for Education and Local Government Funding Initiative (2020)* Commercial Industrial Property Tax increase by eliminating the 1973 Proposition 13 protection.

**Proposition 19:** *Property Tax Transfers, Exemptions (2020)*. The ballot measure would allow eligible homeowners to transfer their tax assessments anywhere within the state and allow tax assessments to be transferred to a more expensive home with an upward adjustment. This would also eliminate the parent-to-child and grandparent-to-grandchild exemption in cases where the child or grandchild does not use the inherited property as their principal residence.

**Proposition 21:** *Local Rent Control Initiative (2020)* The ballot measure would replace the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act (Costa-Hawkins), which was passed in 1995. This would allow local governments to adopt rent control on housing units with some exceptions.

A friendly reminder if you have any real questions or you are thinking about buying or selling, I'm just a phone call away.

Respectfully,



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