

RICHMOND, Calif.

A majority of voters in Richmond appear opposed to an American Indian tribe's plans for a \$1 billion casino and resort at Point Molate.

Figures from the Contra Costa County Elections Division early Wednesday morning show 57.5 percent of voters oppose city

approval of the project while 42.5 percent support it.

The ballot measure - known as Measure U - is only advisory. The project requires approval from state and federal officials, who could still choose to move forward.

The Guidiville Band of Pomo Indians has proposed a Las Vegas-style casino with an 1,100-room hotel, nightclubs, restaurants, a ferry terminal and housing for the tribe.

The project is being backed by the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, which operates the Cache Creek Casino Resort in Yolo County.

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