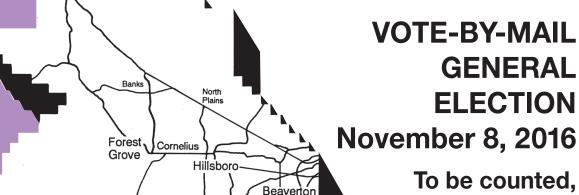


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# Washington County Board of County Commissioners

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### **ATTENTION**

This is the beginning of your county voters' pamphlet. The county portion of this joint voters' pamphlet is inserted in the center of the state portion. Each page of the county voters' pamphlet is clearly marked with a color bar on the outside edge. All information contained in the county portion of this pamphlet has been assembled and printed by Rich Hobernicht, County Clerk-Ex Officio, Director Washington County Assessment & Taxation.

#### Dear Voter:

This pamphlet contains information for several districts and there may be candidates/measures included that are not on your ballot. If you have any questions, call 503-846-5800.

### City of Banks

#### Mayor



### Peter C Edison

Occupation: Small Business Owner - Seafood Wholesale, Retail

Occupational Background: Seafood Processing, Management, Sales; Building Materials Manufacturer Rep

**Educational Background:** University of Portland, MBA; University of Oregon, BS

Prior Governmental Experience: Banks City Councilor 2003 - 2013; Mayor 2013 - 2016

Community Service: Banks Library Addition Steering Committee; BSD Facilities Planning Committee, Chair; BJHS Sports Program, President; Banks Little Guy Football Board; Banks Youth Basketball Board; Fundraiser, BHS Parents Club; BJHS Football Coach

Dear Banks Voters.

The City of Banks is a thriving energetic community with active citizens who continually contribute to making our town a great place to live. I am honored to be the Mayor of Banks. With your support, I would like to continue to serve the City of Banks as your Mayor.

I believe the purpose of municipal government is: to keep the public safe, provide services, plan for the future and do so in a fiscally responsible manner. The City Staff, Council, Commissions, Boards and Committees continue to deliver on these responsibilities. I am proud to work with all of these outstanding people.

Kathy and I moved to Banks in 1999 with our three boys. Educated in the Banks school system with the support and opportunities that the Banks Community provided, it prepared our boys to complete their college degrees. We hope that whatever the future holds for them that they continue to carry on that Banks Community spirit.

I am asking for your vote to re-elect me this November.

Sincerely,

Pete Edison

"Pete is an excellent leader that has Banks moving in the right direction. I consider Banks as an important member of our Washington County Community."

Bob Terry, Washington County Commissioner

Endorsed By:

Mark Gregg - Banks City Council President

Teri Branstitre - Banks City Councilor and Former Mayor of Banks

Michael Nelson - Banks City Councilor

Brian Biehl, Banks City Councilor

Daniel Keller - Banks City Councilor

Mark Walsh - Banks City Councilor

Michael Lyda, Current Planning Commissioner and Former Mayor of Banks.

Stephanie Jones, President, Friends of Banks Library

Andrea Vandomelen

Courtney Schaefer

(This information furnished by Peter C Edison.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

### City Council, Position 4



### Stephanie Jones

**Occupation:** Program Director, Portland State University

#### Occupational Background:

Science Teacher, Hillsboro School District; Substitute teacher, Banks, Beaverton, Forest Grove, Gaston, Hillsboro School Districts.

### **Educational Background:**Portland State University, Masters

of Science in Teaching Science; Western Oregon University, Bachelor of Arts in Integrated Studies

Prior Governmental Experience: Banks Library Board

#### Volunteering:

Banks Library Expansion Steering Committee Chair; Friends of Banks Library President; Banks Middle School PTO member, Santa's Breakfast Chair; Society for Science and the Public ISEF Advisory Council member; Banks Elementary School Volunteer

#### Values

As a second generation Oregonian and 18-year resident of Banks, I value our area's natural resources. I have a child at both the middle and elementary schools and want to make our City even better for them. I love our sense of community. I have worked on the Library Expansion since conception and am so glad to see it a reality in the near future.

#### Skills:

As the fair director of the state middle and high school science fairs for the last 11 years, I have dealt with grants, budgets, reams of paperwork and event management. I know how to work with a group to make things happen. Being organized and having the right people as volunteers is the key to a smooth running event. I want to take these skills to City Council to help with the running of Banks.

#### **Endorsements:**

"I have known Stephanie for 15 years, she is a very active community volunteer. Given her experience and commitment, she will make an excellent city councilor."

Mayor Pete Edison

(This information furnished by Stephanie Jones)

### City of Banks

### City of Cornelius

### City Council, Position 6

### Mayor



### Teresa M Branstitre

**Occupation:** Aviation Insurance Producer

Occupational Background: 8 years Aviation Insurance, 20 years health insurance

Educational Background: Merritt Davis Buiness College, General Studies. Administrative Assistant

Prior Governmental Experience: Mayor, City Councilor, Library Board Chairperson, Budget Committee, Policy Commissioner, NWACT (Northwest Area Commission on Transportation), COL-PAC (Columbia-Pacific Economic Development District Commission).

Other Activities: President, Oregon Chapter International Aerobatic Club (IAC), Arbor Village HOA Newsletter Committee.

Personal: Married 37 years with 2 grown daughters and one grand-daughter.

Banks Residents,

Like many of you, my husband and I chose Banks as the place we wanted to live and raise our children. We moved here in March, 1999 and have been an active part of this community since that time and enjoy our life here.

I have always had a strong desire to see our community thrive so public service has been a great mechanism for that. As we move into the future, I will continue to advocate for a city that is welcoming to all and focuses on sustainability and development of programs and resources that help keep Banks a great place to live and raise families.

I am honored to serve the City of Banks and to work for our future.

#### Endorsed by:

- · Pete Edison, Mayor of Banks
- · Mark Gregg, Banks City Council President
- Michael Nelson, Bank City Councilor
- Dan Keller, Banks City Councilor
- Mark Walsh, Banks City Councilor

(This information furnished by Teri Branstitre)



### Jeffrey C Dalin

Occupation: Engineering Consultant

Occupational Background: 22 years experience in project management

**Educational Background:**BS in Manufacturing Engineering from OIT

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Nov. 2011 to present: Mayor of Cornelius; July 2003 to Nov. 2011: City Councilor

Why should I continue to be Mayor?

Because when you speak, I listen. Then I take the time to figure out how we get from where we are to where you want to be. This needs to be done in a planned manner. I don't believe in causing a storm or tearing our community apart to make change. As Mayor, my job is to listen to your concerns, wants, and desires and determine the best way possible to turn them into city policies.

We are all in this together. My family and I have shared this community with you since 1994. I think that still makes me a new comer. We are a bi-cultural community. I focus on what we have in common. We love our families. We want our kids to grow up safe and be contributing members of our community.

Issues you have told me that we need to continue to work on are:

- Reduce graffiti and speed up removal
- Plan growth of our community, including more family wage jobs
- Reduce gang influence
- Improve financial stability
- Increase government efficiency
- Increase the number of community building activities

I will continue to reach out to you through the monthly newsletter in the water bill; English & Spanish speaking town hall meetings; and the City Manager's report available on the city web page.

(This information furnished by Jeffrey C Dalin)

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#### Mayor



# Denny Doyle

Occupation: Mayor of Beaverton

**Occupational Background:** 30 years as a small business owner

Educational Background: Illinois State University, Political Science, Bachelor of Arts

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Mayor of Beaverton: 2009-Present; Beaverton City Councilor: 1994-2008

Dear Neighbors,

When I moved to Beaverton in 1986, it wasn't by accident. I was looking for a city where I could raise my family and begin a new job with great schools, beautiful parks and open spaces. Beaverton became home, and Ann and I live in the same home today. Almost immediately, I felt a calling to public service; to give back and become a part of this wonderful community. Ever since our move, I have volunteered with many non-profits, public and private schools, and sports groups.

In 2008, I ran for Mayor. It has been an honor to serve you in this capacity. Everywhere I go, people are very proud to call Beaverton home. Beaverton is a special place, an active community, and above all, a welcoming city! My roadmap as your Mayor, from day one, has been and will continue to be your Community Vision: thousands of points of input, hundreds of aspirations and dozens of partners.

I am grateful to have the opportunity to continue to serve as your Mayor. We have accomplished so much together. We have set the stage for what I believe will be four more tremendous years and I am focused on continuing to grow upon our successes.

With your help, we are on the cusp of finally realizing a safe and secure police station in a responsible way – without raising our tax rate. Our urban renewal district investments are helping spur new life in our downtown. And we are in the midst of an incredible expansion of Nike bringing thousands of jobs to our area.

We still have more work to do. I'm honored to serve as your Mayor so we can continue implementing your vision for Beaverton.

Respectfully,

Denny Doyle

(This information furnished by Denny Doyle)

#### Council. Position 3



### Mark Fagin

**Occupation:** Small Business Owner & Beaverton City Councilor

Occupational Background: President, Beaverton-based Gaston Sales

**Educational Background:**Purdue University, B.S. Aviation Technology

**Prior Governmental Experience:** City Council, 2013 - Present; Joint Water Commission, 2014-Present; Regional Water Providers Consortium, 2015-Present; Visioning Advisory Committee, 2009-2012

#### Continue Developing our Local Economy

Our economy is better than it was four years ago. As a councilor, I have worked hard to improve our business environment. I've pushed for incentives for local businesses to expand in Beaverton with the goal of increasing jobs. I believe the city must prioritize actively creating and maintaining jobs within our city.

The visible landscape of Beaverton's downtown is changing for the better. We have moved City Hall, invested in storefront improvements, and encouraged the first downtown housing investments in over a decade. More changes are coming and I will work to move forward in a responsible manner, growing Beaverton's economy.

#### **Common Sense Solutions for Transportation**

Solving transportation problems is front and center on my agenda. Beaverton residents say time and again that traffic is Beaverton's number one issue. There is no "magic solution" to all our transportation challenges, so we need well-rounded approaches.

I've studied Beaverton's transportation issues and will keep advocating for our needs; including road improvements, smart signal systems, and completed bike and pedestrian routes. Moving cars, bikes and people through our city safely and efficiently is my goal.

#### Responsibly Fulfill the Community Vision

City Council adopted an update to our Community Vision in February of this year. The plan includes many actions that will enhance areas where our community thrives and help community members in need. It's a fantastic action plan and with the help of our partners, we will bring this vision to life.

#### Thank you for your vote!

For additional information visit: www.fagin4beaverton.com

(This information furnished by Mark Fagin)

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### City of Durham

#### **City Council**



# Ronald Willesen

Occupation: Financial Analyst

Occupational Background: Accounting for over 35 years, including over 20 years as a Financial Analyst

Educational Background:
Bachelors in Business Administration, Westminster College, Utah. BS in Accounting, Masters in Business and Accounting, MBA, University of Utah.

#### Prior Governmental Experience: none

While working his way through college, Ron worked for the US Forest Service in Idaho. Due to his love of trees and nature, Ron accepted a job in Oregon. He and his wife Sue, an RN, moved to Durham in 2000.

As a prior CPA, Ron is very detail oriented and would be a voice of fiscal responsibility for the Durham community. He also has a passion for the environment and the outdoors. Ron is committed to hearing and listening to the concerns of Durham residents with an open mind.

Ron has several improvements in mind for the city. As a city council member Ron would push for:

- More frequent street cleaning in the autumn. Homeowners in Durham make a significant investment in cleaning up their yards, especially in the fall, and then debris remains on the roads for weeks. This needs to change.
- A sidewalk along the driveway to the park would make it much safer for Durham residents to walk to the park, especially with their children. Strollers just do not work well on the grass.
- Keeping Durham Park available for everyone to use including walkers, joggers, bicyclists, dog owners and families. It is a beautiful park and we can enjoy it safely if we work together.
- Let's add more benches in Durham park so we can sit down and relax at the park
- The 50 year celebration was a good way for neighbors to get to know each other. Having a similar an event on an annual basis would give Durham an opportunity to get together as a community.

Vote for Ron Willesen. He will listen to you and be part of your community.

(This information furnished by Ronald Willesen)

#### **City Council**



### Pete Bryant

**Occupation:** Washington County Clean Water Services

Occupational Background: Clean Water Services, Union representative for United Steel Workers of America

Educational Background: Clackamas Community College

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Pete has lived in Durham for six years and is genuinely interested in the environment and in contributing positively to the Durham community.

Pete's love of nature and desire to live in Oregon inspired him to secure employment with the Washington County Clean Water services team. His environmentally conscious and healthy lifestyle has much to offer as a Durham City Council member. His new and fresh ideas will be a welcome change to Durham.

Pete's background as a union representative for United Steel Workers of America and his experience in union negotiations have resulted in Pete becoming a skilled communicator. He has learned to work well with others and achieve good results in tough situations.

Pete volunteers his time to train service dogs for the Autism Service Dogs of America (ASDA) Organization. He is a philanthropic community member who would be a valuable contributor as a city council member.

Pete has had much experience in listening to concerns of others. He will listen to the Durham citizens and represent them with integrity and with their best interests in mind.

Pete's priorities would be:

Community safety - maintenance of good street lighting Total transparency of the city council with no hidden agendas Quick response time to citizens calls and concerns Speedy resolution to community issues Vote Pete Bryant. A new view, he will listen to you.

(This information furnished by Pete Bryant)

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### City of Durham

#### **City Council**

### City Council

## No Photo Submitted

### Leslie J Gifford

Occupation: President of Leslie J Gifford, CPA, PC. The company provides personal and business consulting and tax services for individuals, closely-held businesses, and small not-for-profit organizations.

Occupational Background: Licensed Certified Public Accountant since 1998 providing public

accounting services. Private industry experience in health insurance, health care industries, and distribution companies.

**Educational Background:** Portland State University, Business Administration/Accounting, Bachelor of Science

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Durham Planning Commission, Durham Design Review Board, Durham Charter Review Committee, Durham City Council, Durham Budget Committee (Chair: 2009, 2015, 2016)

Durham became my home in 1994. Because of my experience with the Tigard Planning Commission, I volunteered for Durham's Planning Commission to try to protect Durham's uniqueness and livability.

While serving on the City Council, I have continued to focus on these goals. In addition, I have been mindful of the costs associated with providing services to the citizens of Durham and will continue my focus to ensure that the City receives good value for its expenditures.

I believe that a Durham City Councilor must take a balanced approach to the many issues we will face in the years to come and also be responsive to the community's desires. I have the experience to face these challenges.

It would be a privilege to continue to serve. Your vote is appreciated.

Thank you.

Endorsed by:

Gery Schirado, Mayor, City of Durham

(This information furnished by Leslie J. Gifford)

### Chuck Van Meter

**Occupation:** President/CEO, Interactive Northwest, Inc., Tualatin software engineering firm.

Occupational Background: Entrepreneur having started three successful technology companies; previous corporate positions in marketing, sales and planning.

**Educational Background:** 

Oregon State University, Business Administration, Bachelor of Science; Portland State University, Business Administration, Masters (MBA)

Prior Governmental Experience: Durham City Councilor 2007-present; Durham Planning Commission 1998-2007 and Chair in 2000; Durham Budget Committee 2008-present and Chair 2010-2014; Washington County Coordinating Committee (Transportation) past board member and current back-up representative; Washington County Consolidated Communications Agency (911) board member.

Chuck has contributed to Durham government for over 18 years, being appointed in 1998 to the Planning Commission and currently serving as City Councilor. During his tenure on the county transportation committee (WCCC) he helped guide the financial funding for the Boones Ferry road and street light project through Washington County. He is using his business experience and industry knowledge of communications and networking systems to represent our city in the upgrading of the WCCCA 911 services for reliable coverage and emergency response to Durham and all of Washington County.

#### Commitment

Re-elect Chuck Van Meter to Durham City Council! I served with Chuck on the Durham Planning Commission and his pragmatic approach to planning was important for our neighborhoods; his experience in business provides an important budgeting perspective for our small city, and his dedication to Durham is shown by the hours invested with over 9 years on the City Council; and years with the Washington County organizations for transportation and 911 services. Let's reward this commitment with another term!

Bob Plame, a Durham resident.

#### **Financial Responsibility**

Chuck's experience gained from a long term commitment to Durham should be retained by our city. I have known Chuck and his family for over 20 years and strongly endorse him for City Council.

Teresa Braun, Durham Budget Committee Member

#### Experience

We need Chuck's practical experience on our city council. I strongly endorse him.

Brian Goddard, Chair, Durham Planning Commission

Endorsed by: Gery Schirado, Mayor, City of Durham

(This information furnished by Chuck Van Meter)

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### City of Durham

### City of Forest Grove

#### **City Council**





### Keith R Jehnke

Occupation: Founder and Principal of AKS Engineering & Forestry, a 140 person civil engineering, land surveying, land use planning, natural resource, forestry, arborist, and landscape architecture consulting firm with offices in Tualatin and Salem-Keizer, Oregon and Vancouver, Washington, 20 years. Durham City Councilor since April, 2010.

Occupational Background: Business owner providing consulting services utilizing the following licenses: Professional Civil and Environmental Engineering; Professional Land Surveyor; Certified Arborist; Oregon Certified Water Rights Examiner; Have worked as a Consultant since 1986.

**Educational Background:** Oregon State University, Civil Engineering, BS (High Honors) 1986; Oregon State University, Forest Engineering, BS (High Honors) 1986

**Prior Governmental Experience:** City of Durham Planning Commission (2007-2010); City of Durham City Council (2010-Present); Tigard Water, Intergovernmental Water Board (2010-Present)

I have lived in Durham since 1996 and choose to live here with my wife Debi, and raise our two sons (currently at Twality Middle School and Tualatin High School).

I was appointed to the City Council from the Planning Commission in April of 2010, ran for, and won a City Council position in November, 2010 and November, 2012. I have served on the City Council and the Tigard Intergovernmental Water Board since 2010.

I am a fiscal conservative who believes in property owner rights. I want to continue to bring responsible, intelligent, logical spending of tax payer money with a focus on public safety, sustainable City operations, business development, and community involvement.

I am particularly passionate about continuing the water "business" partnership between the members of Tigard Water (City of King City, the City of Durham, the Tigard Water District and the City of Tigard), that has worked well and been ongoing for well over 20 years. The partnership allows those entities that pay for water related assets to maintain an ownership stake in those assets.

I am running for City Council to continue to serve my community and to help ensure that Durham remains a great place to live, work, and raise a family.

#### **Endorsement**

Gery Schirado, Mayor, City of Durham

(This information furnished by Keith Jehnke)



### Richard G Kidd III

**Occupation:** Habitat for Humanity-Construction manager

Occupational Background: Former business owner in Forest Grove; Retired from U.S. Army as Colonel

Educational Background: San bernardino Valley College, Gereral Arts, certifacate;

University of California (Riverside), audio visua presentation, certifacate; U.S. Army Command & General Staff, Management and Admistration, Diploma; National League of Cities, Government leadership, certifacate.

Prior Governmental Experience: Mayor of Forest Grove, 14 years; Forest Grove City Councilor& Planning Commissioner 16 years. President, Oregon Mayors Association, 2008; Metro Planning Advisory Commission Chair, 2006; (Represented all Washington County small communities) numerous regional & local boards and commissions

Community Service: I have served Forest Grove and Western Washington County for over 30 years. I have volunteered my time with Scouting, served as President, Chamber of Commerce (1994), Rotary President (1997-98) and Habitat for Humanity President (2007).

As your City Councilor I will continue to address the tough issues we're facing to keep the city a healthy, vibrant city, while respecting its diverse interests. Our city's concerns affect citizens from all generations; whether you are from the greatest generation, baby boomer, millennium or xyz generation, your prospective is important to me and I can work with you.

I have worked hard to build a resilient and more sustainable community for the citizens of Forest Grove. One of my goals is to maintain and, where possible, improve our livability. I believe my years of leadership will be a great strength in the efforts to tackle the challenges facing our city. I am proud of the wonderful quality of life that we share and will continue to support the programs that make that quality of life a reality.

I have been described as a team player, a problem solver who is not afraid to take on difficult issues. I'm glad to answer your questions. Give me a call at 503-307-7054. I would appreciate your support. Together, we can make a difference.

Thank you for your vote. Richard Kidd

(This information furnished by Richard G. Kidd)

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### **City of Forest Grove**

### **City Council**



### Victoria Lowe

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: 20 years Purchasing/Planning professional in Construction and High Technology. Additional 16 years working for Sustainable Environmental Solutions.

**Educational Background:**Corvallis High School, General,
Graduated

Prior Governmental Experience: City Councilor 2004-2016, 2000-2002; Planning Commission 2003-2004, Fernhill Wetland Council Board, City Representative to Joint Water Commission, Regional Water Providers Consortium, League of Oregon Cities Water/ Wastewater Policy Committee. District4 representative Clean Water Services Advisory Committee 2004-2012.

I have a lifetime of focus on solutions to difficult problems. As a self labeled guardian of natural resources, I feel that our future depends on our past actions. My past actions politically are noticeable in the following areas in our community. The Forest Grove Watershed Stewardship Management Plan and the Sustainability Commission encompass my efforts. Working for the health and welfare of my community family by addressing the hard issues of CLEAN air/water and soils is but one of the ways I try to demonstrate my commitment to my community.

As difficult as many of today's issues are I am willing if the voters concur, to continue with perseverance, seeking to hear and understand the voices of my community, while I strive to represent Forest Grove and fulfill your Vision of Forest Grove.

"AIM HIGH, VOTE LOWE

(This information furnished by Victoria Lowe)

### **City Council**



### Elena Uhing

Occupation: Community Outreach Manger – Willamette West Habitat for Humanity

Occupational Background: Forest Grove City Council; Small Business Owner; Planning Commission; Grant Writer; Government/Military Certification Coordinator; Operations Analyst; Volunteer Management.

**Educational Background:** Portland State University, B.S., Advanced Certifications: Grant Writing; Management Principals; Volunteer Management and Adult Learning Theory; Gaston High School.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Forest Grove City Council 2004-present; Commissions/Boards; Historic Landmarks; Forestry; Budget; Planning; Public Safety; Land Use/Housing Committee.

Community Involvement: Washington County and Family Resource Centers; Affordable Housing/Homeless Coalition; Master Parks; Friends of the Library; Washington County Thrives; Westside Economic Alliance; Early Education Advocate.

#### Key Qualities:

 40 year Forest Grove resident; community and senior citizen advocate; support and promote local businesses; make local government efficient, transparent and responsive; promote sound governmental policies and practices; listen and respond to community members; promote alternative funding sources and fiscal accountability; knowledgeable about key issues; hands-on leader; problem solver; broad based community support; tough on issues and special interests.

#### Goals:

 Public safety and community well-being – recruit, train, and retain top quality staff. Fiscal Responsibility – pursue alternative funding sources. Sustainability – keep Forest Grove's character while continuing to meet the needs of a diverse and growing community. Represent our community - bring our issues to Metro, Local, State and National government. Champion for your needs and vision of our community. Integrity – embody the honesty that must occupy our local government!

Responsibility as a City Councilor:

 Respect – I seek to provide a platform where everyone is heard and valued. Accountability – find efficient and cost effective solutions. Leadership – make tough decisions and invest in giving Forest Grove a voice.

#### Thank You:

 For the opportunity to serve as your City Councilor. It would be an honor to continue to serve as your local community advocate. I want to hear from you and your ideas on our great town, so I can continue to advocate for you and our community.

(This information furnished by Elena Uhing for Better Government)

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### **City of Forest Grove**

#### **City Council**



# Timothy Rippe

Occupation: Retired.

Occupational Background: U.S. Army; Black Hawk Community College; John Deere Power Systems; Terex Unit-Rig; Stanton International; Leatherman Tool Group; Legacy Health.

**Educational Background:** United States Military Academy,

Applied Science and Engineering, BS; Naval Postgraduate School, National Security Affairs, MA; University of Iowa, Business Administration, MBA.

Prior Governmental Experience: Public Safety Advisory Commission, Forest Grove, OR, 2014-Present; Budget Committee, Forest Grove, OR, 2004-2006; Civil Service Commission, Cedar Falls, IA, 1998-2002, (chair 4 yrs); Veterans Affairs Commission, Black Hawk County, IA, 1998-1999; Memorial Hall Commission, Waterloo, IA, 1997-2001, (chair 4 yrs); Veterans Memorial Park Committee, Cedar Falls, IA, 1996-1998; U.S. Army, 1974-1996.

It's time for new perspective! Over the past decade Forest Grove developed a community vision and Comprehensive Plan for land use, housing, transportation, healthcare, education, and economic development in coordination with county, regional and state agencies. Implementation of that plan requires alignment, coordination and collaboration with citizens including our youth, businesses, schools, neighboring jurisdictions and within city staff itself. My focus will be on seeking a higher level of alignment and collaboration across the broad spectrum above and moving forward as a community to realize the vision that many worked so hard to articulate. I believe that my work with commissions in Forest Grove and previously in lowa can bring a fresh view to help solve the issues we face. Together, I think we can strive to:

- Maintain a safe and healthy community for all through wellprepared first responders, community involvement and effective interaction with cooperative agencies;
- Prepare our community for disasters;
- Enable economic growth with a view to long-term viability of small and medium-sized businesses that provide local familywage incomes;
- Conserve our natural resources and shape a sustainable community;
- · Increase engagement and support of all citizens;
- Prioritize infrastructure projects to support the city's vision and sustain us in disaster:
- Provide municipal services that are adaptable to evolving demographic, economic and fiscal resource challenges.

Thank you for your vote!

(This information furnished by Timothy Rippe)

### **City Council**



### Matt Vandehey

Occupation: Procurement
Manager for a food processing
company in Forest Grove.
Responsible for researching,
planning, contracting and managing
materials and services needed
for business operations. Involved
with planning and implementation
of capital projects. Chairman of
the Oregon Processed Vegetable
Commission. Responsible for

managing the budget and allocating funds to research projects.

Occupational Background: Worked on my family's farm.

**Educational Background:** Oregon State University, Business Administration/Economics, Bachelor of Science

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Vice Chairman – Oregon Processed Vegetable Commission

I am running for City Council because this City means a great deal to me. I want to do my part in ensuring that the City continues to head in the right direction. As new developments continue to pop up in town, ensuring we have the proper infrastructure and resources in place is as important as ever. I want to make sure we always keep our residents costs in mind when making decisions on the council. As a parent of two young boys, I think I will bring an important perspective and opinion to the Council. As I continue to raise my kids in this town, I would like to know we are doing everything we can to make sure this City is safe and enjoyable for our kids. I would love the opportunity to be a Council member so that I can bring in new ideas, a fresh perspective and represent the voice of other parents within this City.

Thank you, Matt

(This information furnished by Matt Vandehey)

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### **Aron** Carleson

Occupation: Executive Director. Hillsboro Schools Foundation

Occupational Background: Small Business Management, Financial Management, Marketing

**Educational Background:** Linfield College, B.A.

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

8 years Hillsboro Councilor, 6 years Council President, City Budget Committee, Hillsboro School District; Budget Committee, Chair City Transportation Committee; Planning Zoning and Hearings Board

#### Community Involvement:

Hillsboro School District Strategic Planning, Co-chair Citizens for Schools, 53rd Ave Park Planning advisory team, 2020 Vision Action committee, Member Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce, Chamber Leadership Advisory Council, Graduate Citizen Police Academy, Hillsboro Library Foundation

#### Family:

Married 26 years, two sons educated in Hillsboro Schools

#### **Investing in Quality Education and Afterschool Programs:**

- Raised over \$3M for Hillsboro afterschool, arts, music and STEM programs that keep kids in school
- Successfully lobbied for increased State school funding
- Secured funding for PCC scholarships for 1st generation students Making Hillsboro the Best Place to Live, Work and Play
  - Protected \$1.5M for Hillsboro roads from legislative takeover
  - Championed successful levy for Hillsboro Police, Fire and Parks
  - Spearheaded City's successful deal to attract Hillsboro Hops and build out Hillsboro Stadium
  - Supported purchase of Orenco Woods Golf Course to create nature park for community
  - Advanced funding for bike paths and sidewalks near schools and parks
  - Proposes a mix of new housing to provide affordable choices

Aron Carleson, Proven Leadership We Trust:

Sen. Ron Wyden Sen. Jeff Merkley Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici Tom Hughes, Metro President and former Hillsboro Mayor Jim Darr, Former Mayor Olga L Acuna, City Councilor Kyle Allen, City Councilor Megan Braze Former City Councilor Joe Keizur, Former City Council President Jeff Dalin, Cornelius Mayor Lila Ashenbrenner, Former Police Chief Kathryn Harrington, Metro Councilor Greg Malinowski, County Commissioner Hillsboro Firefighters Association Northwest Oregon Labor Council, AFL-CIO Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce PAC Oregon Chapter, Sierra Club

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(This information furnished by Friends of Aron Carleson)

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### Steve Callaway

Occupation: City Council President

#### Occupational Background:

Hillsboro School District Principal and Director of Communications;

Educational Background: Point Loma College- BA Sociology; Lewis & Clark College- Masters (MAT), Administrative Licensure

**Prior Governmental Experience:** City Council President 2015-current; City Council Member 2011- current; Planning Commission 2005-2010; Hillsboro 2020/2035 Vision Plans 1997-current; Hillsboro Budget Committee 2002-current vice-chair; Hillsboro Transportation Committee 2011-current chair; Citizen Advisory Committee 2015- current chair

#### **Community Service:**

- Oregon International Air Show, Board Member, past chair
- Jackson Bottom Wetlands Preserve, Board Member
- Library Foundation of Hillsboro, Board Member
- ARMS domestic abuse prevention, Board Member
- Inukai Family Boys and Girls Club, Board Member

#### Proven Leadership:

- Established small business economic development programs
- Initiated City of Hillsboro Community Development Block Grant program- \$960,000 federal funds annually
- Fought for road improvements and expansion to address traffic congestion
- Led South Hillsboro expansion planning and approval
- Increased sidewalks
- Dispersed over \$3M GAIN Share funds to the Hillsboro School District
- Led Hillsboro's 2020/2035 Vision and Action Plans

#### As Mayor Steve will ensure:

- Hillsboro taxpayer return on city tax breaks and incentives
- Responsible inclusive growth
- Roads and infrastructure to support the needs of our growing community
- Positive business environment for local businesses
- Transparent community outreach to all city residents

#### Council President Callaway is supported by:

- Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce PAC
- Hillsboro Firefighters Association
- **Oregon League of Conservation Voters**
- Katie Eyre, Planning Commission President, Former State Representative
- Fred Nachtigal, City Councilor
- Bob Terry, Washington County Commissioner
- Bruce Starr, Former State Senator
- Ed Dennis, Former City Council President
- Rob Harris, State Council member, Independent Party of Oregon
- Hector R. Hinojosa, Community and Business Leader
- Shirley Huffman, Former Hillsboro Mayor Edward and Deborah Clarke
- Bonnie Kooken, Orenco Neighborhood Organization
- James S. McNally, Owner, McNally's Taproom
- Dick Stenson. Retired Hospital Executive
- Visit CallawayForMayor.com for a complete list!

#### Respected Leadership:

Steve is an effective leader with a proven track record of tackling tough issues, being responsive to constituent needs and working with diverse groups to make Hillsboro a strong community for everyone.

(This information furnished by Friends of Steve Callaway)

### City Council Ward 1, Position B



### Rick Van Beveren

**Occupation:** President, Reedville Cafe and Reedville Catering

Occupational Background: NA

Educational Background: Notre Dame University, Finance, BA, Business

**Prior Governmental Experience:**Hillsboro City Council; Hillsboro

Transportation Committee; TriMet Board/Past President; TriMet Finance and Audit Committee; Metro (MPAC); Hillsboro 2020 Vision Committee; Hillsboro VIC

#### **Community Involvement:**

Hillsboro Community Foundation Board /Past President Vision Action Network of Washington County Board/Past President Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce Board/Past President Oregon International Airshow Board Portland Rose Festival Board

Chamber Land Use and Transportation Committee Co-Chair

#### Statement:

I have enjoyed my work on the City Council since Mayor Willey and the City Council appointed me to fill a vacancy last fall. I look forward to continuing to serve to meet the challenges associated with the growth of Hillsboro including:

- Improving transportation infrastructure all modes (roads, transit, bike and pedestrian).
- Planning our community to include a diverse range of housing types matching the need of our current and future residents.
- Supporting our schools, in any way possible to train the skilled workforce of the future.
- Supporting businesses, large and small to create employment opportunities as well as stable local economy.
- Maintaining high standards of professionalism, in our in police and fire departments and in the delivery of essential City services.
- Continuing the City's commitment to environmentally sustainable practices and renewable energy.
- Promoting public art, culture, and recreational opportunities for our citizens.

I consider myself a fiscal conservative and will make certain we prioritize, make good decisions and set aside adequate reserves for future needs. Hillsboro is a great, diverse, dynamic community. I want to see it thrive into the future. I intend to continue to bring my experience in business, government, and work in the community to the Hillsboro City Council.

#### Endorsements:

Jerry Willey, Mayor
Darell Lumaco, Councilor
Fred Nachtigal, Councilor
Kyle Allen, Councilor

Tom Hughes

Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce PAC

Robert Grover Jerralynn Ness Fred Johnson Mary E Ordal

(This information furnished by Rick Van Beveren)

### City Council Ward 1, Position B



### Abdi Muse

Occupation: I am Business
Process Consultant who has been
working for Multnomah County
Health Department for the past 15
years. I hold Master's Degree in
Engineering Management from
PSU. The emphases are managing
people, organizations and projects.
I am a former Chair of African
Coalition of Community Organization
and co-founder of Africa House. I

had served Beaverton Diversity Task Force, IRCO board of Directors and am currently serving as a board member of Neighborhood House.

Occupational Background: Prior to my current job I have worked as a program coordinator, informatics specialist, IT consultant and Assistant Teacher. I have also volunteered to many none-profit organizations and provided tutoring to many local low income students who live, work and play in Hillsboro and Beaverton Cities.

**Educational Background:** Portland State University, Engineering Management, Master's Degree (MS)

Prior Governmental Experience: I have neither been elected nor appointed into a governmental position before. However, I have been a civil servant for the 15 years and that provides me wealth of knowledge and experience in working for a government institution. This means that I understand how competing and compelling programs work and are prioritized with unstable budget resources.

(This information furnished by Abdi Muse)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

#### City Council Ward 2, Position B



# Anthony Martin

Pacific Northwest.

**Occupation:** Public sector financial and economic consultant

Occupational Background: Local government experience with the City of Austin Auditor's Office, Texas Department of Transportation, and multiple cities across the

**Educational Background:** Banks High School, Diploma; University of Oregon, Political Science, Spanish, Bachelor of Arts with Honors; University of Texas at Austin, Master of Public Affairs

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Economic and financial work for cities and utilities across the Pacific Northwest; Hillsboro Budget Committee; Hillsboro Audit Committee; Westside Economic Alliance Transportation Committee; Hillsboro Police Citizen's Academy.

Anthony is a passionate, knowledgeable person who loves Hillsboro and wants to make it a better place. From volunteering at HillsDoer Day to attending City meetings, Anthony is an active member in the community and committed public servant. He believes in proactive planning, sound financial decisions, and environmental conservation. Anthony will make sure that Hillsboro responds to and works for every citizen.

Anthony's vision for Hillsboro includes:

**Infrastructure Maintenance:** The fundamental purpose of a city is to provide infrastructure. Anthony will prioritize maintaining our parks, roads, and waterlines so they last as long as possible.

Workforce Development/Education: The City must connect jobs to the people that live here and give high school students the best chance to succeed. Anthony will ensure our community continues partnering with PCC, HSD, and the Chamber of Commerce to do so. Agricultural Values: Our community's agricultural past will serve as a guidepost for the future. Anthony will keep the City tied to its local agriculture roots and reinvigorate historic downtown.

Our city will face many issues over the next four years. Anthony will listen to the community, analyze the issues, and make the best choice for Hillsboro.

Please vote for Anthony, and together we will build a better Hillsboro.

#### Endorsements

Anthony is the best choice for Hillsboro City Council. Tom Hughes – Metro Council President and former Hillsboro Mayor Jerry Willey Mayor of Hillsboro Katie Eyre –President, Hillsboro Planning Commission Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce PAC Hillsboro Fire Fighters Association

#### AnthonyforHillsboro.com

(This information furnished by Anthony Martin for City Council)

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### City Council Ward 3, Position B



### Fred C Nachtigal

Occupation: Attorney

Occupational Background: Deputy Sheriff, Deputy District Attorney, Hillsboro Municipal Judge, Private Law Practice

Educational Background: K-12 - Hillsboro Public Schools; BA, Law Enforcement – Southern Oregon College; JD – Lewis and Clark Law School

Prior Governmental Experience: Deputy Sheriff, Court Clerk, Deputy District Attorney, Hillsboro Municipal Judge, Hillsboro City Councilor

Current Memberships and Activities: Hillsboro Optimists; Tuality Healthcare Board (President); All Saints Episcopal Church

Past Board Memberships: Youth Contact (President); Tualatin Valley Mental Health/Life Works (Past President, *Director Emeritus*); Tuality Healthcare Foundation; Tuality Property Management (Past President)

Endorsements: Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce PAC; Hillsboro Fire Fighters Association;

All current members of the Hillsboro City Council:

Jerry Willey, Hillsboro Mayor;

Steve Callaway, City Council President

Darell Lumaco;

Rick Van Beveren;

Kyle Allen; Olga Acuña.

Lisa Allen, Hillsboro School Board Member;

Manny Berman, CEO Tuality Hospital;
Andy Bretthauer, Bretthauer Oil Company;
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Hillsboro City Councilor; **Sue Horton,** Realtor;

**Doug Johnson**, Hillsboro Pharmacy, Past City Councilor;

Matt Kehoe, Hillsboro Attorney;

**Jeff Nelson,** Le' Stuff Antiques;

Gary Seidel, Retired Hillsboro Fire Chief;

**Saxony Peterson,** Venetian Theatre and Bistro; **Doug Sellers,** Primrose & Tumbleweeds;

Linda Sparks, 32 year School Teacher;

**Dick Stenson,** Retired Hospital Administrator;

Bradley Young, Windermere;

Gene Zurbrugg, Zurbrugg Construction

Statement of Endorsement: "Councilors appreciate Fred's extensive knowledge of the City and Hillsboro Community as well as his legal background, all of which often informs the decisions of the Council when making public policy and allocating resources." Rick Van Beveren, City Councilor and Owner of Reedville Cafe

"Fred is a great asset to our Council and merits your support. He has proven leadership skills; he is willing to do what is right for Hillsboro, not necessarily what is easy." **Darell Lumaco, Ophthalmologist and Current Hillsboro City Councilor** 

**Candidate's Statement:** As your City Councilor, I will continue to work hard, listen carefully and make decisions promoting continuation of a livable, well run, progressive City.

(This information furnished by Fred C Nachtigal)

### City of North Plains

#### Mayor





### Teri K Lenahan

**Occupation:** Branch Office Administrator

Occupational Background: Edward D. Jones; D.A. Davidson & Co.; A.G. Edwards & Sons; Deschutes County Ready\*Set\*Go

Educational Background: Portland Community College, Associates Degree, Associates General Studies; University of

Cincinnati, Education; Thomas More College, Psychology, Education

Prior Governmental Experience: North Plains City Council 2008-Present; North Plains City Council President 2011-Current; North Plains Budget Committee 2008-Current; North Plains Urban Renewal Agency 2008-Current; North Plains Parks Advisory Board; North Plains Vision Implementation Group; North Plains Walking Committee; Policy Advisory Board, Washington County Office of Community Development

I have lived in North Plains for the last ten years. I have had the privilege to serve as your City Councilor for the last eight years and it is an honor to run for Mayor to continue my service to you.

As your Councilor, I collaborated with area leaders to help build community and create goals for North Plains. I listened to your concerns and asked tough questions to get to the heart of the issues that matter most to our community.

As your Mayor, it will be my responsibility to listen to your opinions, concerns and desires. Citizen input is essential to a unified community. I will work with local and regional leaders to find solutions that fit North Plains. Our government will be transparent and I will advocate strongly for this. We will continue to work on strategic plans for housing, police and fire, and economic growth. We will continue working to maintain our family friendly community and rich history. It is critical that we find balance between community and future growth.

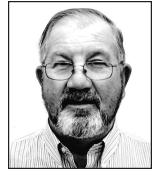
Thank you for your support. There is so much more work to be done.

With your help, I hope to continue to: 'Do the right thing', 'Do my best' and 'Treat you the way you want to be treated'.

#### Endorsers:

David L. Hatcher, Mayor, North Plains
Robert Butch Kindel, North Plains Councilor
Stewart King, Chair, North Plains Planning Commission
Heather LaBonte, Vice Chair, North Plains Planning Commission
Mike Demagalski
Ann Lauzon, D.C.
Janeen Sollman, Hillsboro School Board Member

(This information furnished by Teri K. Lenahan)



### Robert (Butch) Kindel

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Seed Cleaning for Farmers in Washington County Oregon

Educational Background: North Plains Grade School, Diploma; Hillsboro Union High School, Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: North Plains City Council 1980 - Present; Washington County Fire Dist #2 1998 - Present; North Plains Chamber of Commerce 1986 - Present

(This information furnished by Robert (Butch) Kindel)

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### **City of King City**

### **City Council**





### Dennis L Gelfand

Occupation: Semi-Retired, Insurance Agent/Agency HR Manager

Occupational Background: Over 45 years in Business. Owner. Consultant. Buyer, Manager, District Manager, General Manager in Grocery Industry. Over 13 years as licensed Life, Health, Property, Casualty Insurance Producer/Agent.

**Educational Background:** L.A. Valley College, San Fernando Valley CA, Van Nuys High School, Van Nuys CA.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** King City Councilmember, current President of Board of Directors of King City Civic Association, King City Planning Commission.

**Statement:** I believe it is important to be active in your community and to be of help to your neighbors. I have a wide variety of business experiences that I have drawn upon to make different businesses successful. I am committed to the success of King City. I am committed to keeping our community a safe and enjoyable place to live. I am invested in King City, and I want to make a difference.

My wife, Elaine, and I have a large, diverse, blended family of seven adult children and nineteen wonderful grandchildren. I believe in strong family ties and healthy community ties.

With our new Mayor and our new City Manager, King City has a great city management team in place. I believe by working together as a team, we can accomplish a great deal. With our new direction, it will take a good strong team to reach our goals. King City is growing to meet the challenges of the future and I want to continue to be a part of it.

(This information furnished by Dennis L. Gelfand)



### Gretchen E Buehner

Occupation: Attorney - Real Estate, Land Use and Estate Planning since 1981; Research Ass. (Chemist) U of Oregon Medical School, 1975-78

Occupational Background: None

#### **Educational Background:**

BA Mills College, 1972; Graduate Studies, Portland State U. 1972-74; JD, Northwestern School of Law, Lewis & Clark College, 1981

Prior Governmental Experience: King City Planning Commission - 2015-present; METRO Policy Advisory Comm. Washington Co. Alternate (other cities representative) - 2012-14; League of OR Cities - Finance and Tax Policy Comm. 2010-14; Transportation Policy Comm. 2012-14; Tigard City Council - 2007-2014; City Advisory Coordination Committee - 2005-07; Tigard Transportation Financing Task Force - member 2003-2008, Chair -2005-6; Tigard Planning Commission - 2001-2007; Washington Co. Long Term Transportation Planning Comm. 1999-2001; Tigard Water Board - 1997-2001; CPO 4K- Founder, President 1998-2000; METRO Budget Committee - 1988-90; City of Portland Variance Comm. - 1983-89; Multiple citizen committees, City of Portland - 1980's

King City is growing. It faces many planning, transportation, growth and infrastructure challenges over the next several years. Coordination with other local governments and networking with representatives of small cities around the State. As a councilor, I will bring needed experience to the citizens of King City in the following areas:

Transportation Planning
Budget
Land Use Planning
Participation on Regional Committees leading to grant and shared funding opportunities
Citizen Involvement

PLEASE VOTE- CONSIDER GRETCHEN E. BUEHNER FOR KING CITY COUNCIL

(This information furnished by Gretchen E. Buehner)

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### **City of King City**

### **City Council**





### John M Boylston

Occupation: Estate Planning Attorney, Myatt & Bell, P.C., Tigard.

Occupational Background: Attorney, Ogletree Deakins; Attorney, Morgan Lewis & Bockius.

Educational Background: K-12 in the Beaverton School District; Westmont College, Bachelor of Arts, 2003; University of

Southern California, Juris Doctor, 2006.

Prior Governmental Experience: None.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT: Trustee, Oregon Historical Society; Board Member, HispanicPros; Founder, Emerging Leaders for Oregon.

PERSONAL: Married to Ana Lauren; We live in King City because we believe it is the perfect place to raise children and grow with our community.

"SAFE AND SECURE STREETS AND NEIGHBORHOODS ARE THE PRIORITY." JOHN BOYLSTON

#### SAFE AND WELL MAINTAINED STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

 King City is a unique community, with a large number of both seniors and children. Street maintenance, upkeep, repair, and police monitoring of our streets and neighborhoods are the most important priorities for our community.

#### KEEP TAXES AND FEES AS LOW AS POSSIBLE

 Many King City residents are on fixed incomes; many are young families. We need to evaluate every single item in the budget, ensuring that we provide necessary services, but do not incur expenses that we cannot afford.

#### **COMMON SENSE APPROACH**

As a candidate for the King City Council, I do not have an axe
to grind or a special pet project. Rather, I want to ensure that
King City maintains its character as a secure, comfortable, and
thriving community for all residents. As our community grows
into the future, King City should always be a wonderful place for
retirees and new families to live together.

"From the law firm he works for, John Boylston brings to King City an awareness of the elderly and their needs, as well as the need for the city to address the future."

ENDORSED BY BILLIE REYNOLDS, City Council Member, King City

I welcome questions from all King City residents and would be happy to discuss the issues that are important to you and your family.

Please contact me at:

john.boylston@gmail.com

(This information furnished by John Boylston)



# Smart Ocholi

Occupation: Councilor, King City, OR; Supervisory Computer Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).

Occupational Background: Councilor, King City (2016-Present); Planning Commission, King City (2015-2016); Supervisory Computer Engineer, USACE (2012-Present); IT Specialist, USACE (2009-2012);

General/Operations Manager, TCG OR/FL (2007-2008); U.S. Army (2003-2007); Sr. Computer Engineer, Peugeot Automobile Nigeria (1999-2002); Computer Engineer, Hephzibah, Nigeria (1998-1999); Electrical/Electronics Engineer/Liaison Officer, Owen East local government, Edo State, Nigeria (1997-1998)

#### **Educational Background:**

Capella Univ. Minneapolis, MN, Organization and Management (IT-Security), Ph.D.; Univ. of Maryland/Bowie State, MD, Management Information Systems, MS; Univ. of Agric./Eng. Tech., Nigeria, Electrical/Electronics, BEng; Portland State Univ., OR, Leadership Development Program, LDP.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Councilor, King City (2016-present); Planning Commission, King City (2015-2016); Liaison officer, Edo State, Nigeria (1997-1998).

My career in both public and private sectors goes back almost 20 years. As a U.S. Army veteran, I am honored/privileged for the opportunity to continue in public service to the amazing people of the great City of King City! Coming from serving on the King City Planning Commission and now as Councilor of a city growing both in population and developments/expansion, it has being a great honor/privilege to be part of the policy-making processes that contribute to wonderful programs that benefit residents (seniors, upcoming families, singles, and visitors). These programs include efficient services in the areas of public services/safety, excellent schools, roads, businesses, and the uniquely diverse array of cultural and recreational activities.

As a Supervisory Computer Engineer for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), my service to the nation contributes toward securing national critical infrastructure (hydropower, flood control, navigation, recreations, etc). I also participate/support in the activities of some organizations, such as the Department of Homeland Security, Oregon InfraGard (FBI), Boys and Girls Clubs of Portland, Hands On Greater Portland, and others that benefit citizens in various ways.

I look forward to the opportunity to continue serving the amazing people of King City!

Councilor Smart Ocholi, Ph.D., CISSP

(This information furnished by Smart Ocholi)

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### City of Lake Oswego

### City of Portland

### **City Council**

### Commissioner, Position 4



### Theresa M Kohlhoff

Occupation: Attorney, Small Business Owner

Occupational Background: Solo Practitioner; Partner in Kohlhoff & Welch

**Educational Background:** PSU, BA; Lewis and Clark School of Law. JD

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Community Involvement: Board of Governors for Oregon State Bar, Chair of Budget & Finance; Advisory Board, Avel Gordly Center for Healing at OHSU

When my four daughters were young I put myself through four years of night law school, commuting from Philomath to Portland. Now, with 36 years of legal experience I am a skilled leader who is mindful of all members of our community, who will make sure our city works for the least among us as well as the strongest, and that every voice is heard.

"Theresa would be a great addition to council. She's a long time resident and has a distinct voice that would help bring some balance to the city's decisions." Jon Gustafson, City Councilor

I support a vision of our city where children and grandchildren can safely ride their bikes and walk to school. Let's make sure seniors and the disabled can move safely on our streets and all residents have opportunities for efficient transit.

"Theresa has the energy, intelligence and deep caring to help guide the city forward. Lake Oswego, our home, will be a better place with her on the city council." Joseph Buck, City Councilor

Let's work to provide housing opportunities so retirees can stay in Lake Oswego and young families can send their kids to our great schools. I support making Lake Oswego a place known for promoting environmental sustainability and connection to parks and green spaces and generosity of spirit.

Proudly endorsed by:

Paul T. Brown, retired Police Lieutenant, formerly with Lake Oswego Police Department

Joseph Buck, City Councilor
John Gustafson, City Councilor

John Gustafson, City Councilor Judie Hammerstad, Former Mayor, Lake Oswego Darlene Hooley, US Congresswoman, retired

Dan Ann Lininger

Rep. Ann Lininger

Mary Nolan, Executive Director, Planned Parenthood PAC of Oregon NW Oregon Labor Council, AFL-CIO

Vote Theresa Kohlhoff for Lake Oswego City Council

(This information furnished by Friends of Theresa Kohlhoff)



### Steve Novick

Occupation: City Commissioner

Occupational Background: Attorney; Policy Advocate

**Educational Background:** University of Oregon, B.A.; Harvard Law School, J.D.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Environmental Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice

#### PROGRESSIVE PRINCIPLES, REAL RESULTS

Steve Novick is a lifelong activist always eager to get things done. Early in his term, he was impatient for change, and at first, was not always easy to work with. But now, working together with fellow city leaders and community members, he's accomplished much, collaborating to:

#### Improve the lives of Portland's workers and families

- Established paid sick leave for Portland workers.
- Ensured a \$15 minimum wage and paid family leave for fulltime City workers.
- Provided discounted downtown parking for low-income late shift workers.
- Implemented the new "text to 911" system so hearing impaired people or people who can't safely talk in an emergency can get help.

And now he's working to protect low-wage workers from unpredictable work schedules that disrupt their lives.

### Provide concrete plans to address Portland's housing and homeless crisis

- Adding \$30 million in housing and homeless services.
- Funding new affordable housing with construction excise tax.

Steve is fighting to require developers to **build affordable units** as part of new housing construction, and **end improper evictions** by providing "Just Cause" protections for renters.

#### Steve is taking action addressing climate change

- Converted streetlights to LED lights, saving millions and reducing carbon emissions.
- Made investments making it safer and easier for people to walk, bike, or take transit instead of driving, reducing congestion and emissions.

#### LEADERS WE TRUST SUPPORT STEVE

Mayor-Elect **Ted Wheeler** and Portland City Commissioners **Nick Fish** and **Dan Saltzman** support Steve because they want an effective partner on Council.

Steve is also endorsed by:

Oregon League of Conservation Voters
Basic Rights Oregon Equality PAC Green light
U.S. Senators Jeff Merkley and Ron Wyden
House Speaker Tina Kotek
Representative Lew Frederick
Storm Large
Portland Firefighters' Association, IAFF Local 43
SEIU 49
AFSCME Local 189
UFCW Local 555

(This information furnished by Steve Novick)

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#### Mayor



### Gail Cutsforth

Occupation: Assistant to Vice President of NA Sporting Goods NIKE, Inc. Beaverton, OR

Occupational Background: Over two decades in manufacturer's sales involving residential/light commercial construction industry. Extensive experience with various boards of directors in the building industry and with non-profit

organizations benefiting home ownership and affordable housing needs. Worked with organizations addressing food insecurities and low income assistance.

**Educational Background:** Graduated Parkrose High School, served as Student Body Secretary and yearbook editor. Attended Mt. Hood CC, studied radio production/technology and marketing.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Sherwood Police Foundation, YMCA Board of Managers

#### **BUILD A BETTER SHERWOOD**

Elect Gail Cutsforth Mayor of Sherwood

"My decision to run for the office of Mayor of Sherwood was easy. I am running for you! I'm running for the future of Sherwood and for our children and grandchildren. I want you to have a voice in how we are governed. And I want all of Sherwood to play a role in our future.

Join me in building a better Sherwood and together we will create the finest City in Oregon."

**Gail Cutsforth** 

#### **VOTE Gail Cutsforth for Mayor!**

Vote for better leadership and transparency. Elect Gail Cutsforth for a stronger community.

- Member of the Sherwood Police Foundation
- Current YMCA Board of Managers member
- President of the Woodhaven Homeowners Association
- Board of Directors, Oregon Home Builders Association
- · Habitat for Humanity, House Captain

"Sherwood has been my home for over 20 years, but I have recently been concerned about the direction we are heading. I'm looking for leadership that will respect and support our law enforcement, work to preserve the traditions we have all enjoyed through the events and service of the YMCA and one who will strive to spend our tax dollars wisely. This is why I'm supporting Gail Cutsforth for Mayor. She is smart, yet humble and I trust her to be fiscally responsible and business friendly."

**Tracie Butterfield** 

(This information furnished by Friends of Gail Cutsforth)

### Mayor



### Krisanna Clark

Occupation: Mayor of Sherwood

Occupational Background: Insurance Casualty Claims Adjuster/Supervisor specializing in contract review and negotiation. American Council on Exercise Certified Fitness Instructor

Educational Background: Willamette University, Double major in Economics and English, BS

Prior Governmental Experience: Sherwood City Councilor (2011 to 2014); Sherwood Urban Renewal Agency Chair; League of Oregon Cities: Water/Wastewater, Revenue/Finance and Community Development Policy Committees; Washington County Coordinating Committee; Southwest Corridor Steering Committee; Region 1 Area Commission on Transportation; Westside Transportation Alliance Board

#### Community Leadership (previous and/or current):

Sherwood YMCA Board of Managers Junior Greatbooks Literacy Leader ROCK Faith Leader Sherwood American Legion Auxiliary Member Guest speaker CNN Comcast Newsmakers

#### POSITIVE, ACCOUNTABLE, TRANSPARENT

A longtime volunteer and fourth generation Oregonian, I entered public service after the loss of my husband, Del, to brain cancer. My desire to serve Sherwood as your full time mayor is founded on my sincere affection for our community. I have extensive experience, education, dedication, and the time to devote to City issues.

Under my leadership, Sherwood has obtained many outside grants, funding such amenities as the community garden and recycle program. As your Mayor, I lowered projected future water rates and corrected past business practices. I also initiated the police staffing study and the recreation study to ensure sound business decisions are based on facts and data.

My priorities include managed growth, fiscal responsibility, public health, safety, and community enhancement. Smart growth planning is essential to manage the livability of Sherwood. Looking forward, I will lead the update of the City Comprehensive Plan so that developers do not define Sherwood, the citizens do. As Mayor, I will continue to focus on minimizing spending and maximizing use of taxpayer dollars.

#### Endorsements Include:

Jennifer S. Harris "Sherwood Council President"
Jennifer Kuiper, Sherwood City Councilor
Sally Robinson, Sherwood City Councilor
Bill Middleton, Former Mayor of Sherwood
Skye Boughey, Cultural Arts Commission Chair
Phil McGuigan, President Robin Hood Festival Association
Andy Duyck, Washington County Chairman

Vote CLARK to Move Sherwood Positively Forward

For complete information: www.clark-for-mayor.com

(This information furnished by Krisanna Clark)

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### **City Council**





### Kim Young

**Occupation:** Contract management, project accounting and payroll

Occupational Background: 20+ years contract management, project accounting and payroll in the construction industry

**Educational Background:** Point Loma Nazarene College, Accounting

Prior Governmental Experience: SCS Board of Directors, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Member (8 years); SCS Budget Committee (6 years)

My family moved to Oregon 11 years ago after my husband retired from 22 years of naval service. Our children started attending school in Sherwood and we immediately fell in love with the community. Over the years our family has participated in many community activities including youth sports, Voices for the Performing Arts, Sherwood Foundation for the Arts and the Robin Hood Festival.

#### **Community Involvement:**

SCS Parent Advisory Committee (Co-chair, Treasurer and Secretary - 4 years)

Voices for the Performing Arts (Publicity Committee)

SHS Performing Arts Boosters

Cruisin' Sherwood Sherwood Onion Festival

Sherwood Foundation for the Arts

It was my desire to be an active community member which led me to begin attending city council meetings the past few years. I believe being involved at the local level is one of the best ways to help make a difference. I believe in fiscal responsibility. My background in project accounting and serving as school board treasurer has given me a great deal of experience managing challenging budgets. I will use these skills in my service as a city councilor to help make smart choices with tax payer dollars.

As your city councilor I will listen to your concerns, encourage citizen input, and require transparency. It is important that the City Council communicate with our citizens on important topics.

I would appreciate your vote and support.

#### **Endorsements:**

Robyn Thompson Folsom Former Member Sherwood City Council Lee D. Weislogel Former City Councilor Brenda Carlson Sherwood Resident Daniel King Sherwood City Councilor Russell Griffin the Sherwood City Council. Maria Dowdle Sherwood Resident

(This information furnished by Kim Young)



### Anthony (Tony) Bevel

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: U.S. Army, Specialist 5; Sales and Customer Service; U.S. Census Enumerator

Educational Background: University of Delaware, Sociology, RA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** U.S. Army, 1969-1972; U. S. Census; Sherwood West Citizens Advisory Committee

I have lived in Sherwood almost 18 years. I was a thirty year member of the Portland Rugby Club, where I served as a club officer and player. I am a father of a son who is a University of Oregon graduate.

In that time the population has quadrupled. As a member of the Sherwood West Preliminary Concept Plan Community Advisory Committee our goal was to provide a template for growth. I made certain that recommendations for this new development would maintain the small town Sherwood feeling. I believe with deliberate thoughtful planning we can keep Sherwood livable. With citizen involvement we can find workable solutions.

My primary concerns are how we to manage the crush of traffic in and thru Sherwood. We must slow down traffic thru our neighborhoods? We must make our streets safe for our children, pedestrians, and bicyclists. I will strongly advocate traffic controlling devices in our neighbors.

I am concerned about green space in Sherwood. I will advocate for planting more trees in the city. I'm in favor of a plastic bag ban. In future developments I want tighter controls over grey water. I want to make sure parks, bike and running paths are included in all future development.

I will work full time for the best workable solutions to all our problems and encourage the citizens of Sherwood to share with me their ideas and concerns. I want to be one of the Sherwood City Councilors to guide Sherwood into the future. With your support and your vote for me we will keep Sherwood livable.

(This information furnished by Anthony (Tony) Bevel)

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#### **City Council**



### Sean Garland

Occupation: Project Manager

Occupational Background: Project Manager, HSBC; Credit Risk Analyst, FCNB

**Educational Background:** University of Minnesota-Duluth

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Member, Sherwood Police Advisory Board (2015-present)

My name is Sean Garland, and I am excited to be a candidate for the Sherwood City Council. I would be honored to receive your vote in the November election.

I have served as a member of the Sherwood Police Advisory Board since its inception in February 2015. In that capacity, I have worked with the Planning Commission and City Council to create regulations to ensure a great quality of life for our residents. My time as a Police Advisory Board member has been a rewarding way to give back to Sherwood.

When our family moved to Sherwood in 2012, we did so for several reasons: the great schools, the low crime rate, and the sense of community. As City Councilor, I will be an advocate for our amazing Sherwood Police Department, our schools, our public library, as well as continue to support our Arts & Entertainment community.

Responsible growth will be the key factor to keeping Sherwood livable in the immediate future. As a City Councilor, I will work to ensure responsible spending, along with creating sensible plans for expansion and development.

I wish to continue serving the citizens of Sherwood as a City Councilor for the next four years and beyond. If you would like more information about me, please visit my campaign page 'Sean Garland for Sherwood City Council' on Facebook. I ask for your vote and your support in this election.

#### **Endorsements:**

Renee Brouse, Sherwood City Councilor
Dan King, Sherwood City Councilor
Linda Henderson, Sherwood City Councilor
Keith Mays, Former Sherwood Mayor
Robyn Folsom, Former Sherwood City Councilor
Matt Langer, Former Sherwood City Councilor
Liana MacFarlane, Owner, Sherwood Dance Academy
Sheri Ralston, Owner, Western Oregon Dispensary
Rachel Schoening, Owner, Fat Milo's Family Kitchen

(This information furnished by Sean Garland)

#### **City Council**



### Daniel King

**Occupation:** Multnomah County Sheriff's Deputy (26 years)

Occupational Background: USMC, Military Police

**Educational Background:**Dept. of Public Safety Standards & Training

**Prior Governmental Experience:** 

Sherwood City Council (2005-2009; 2014-present); Sherwood Planning Commission (2004-2005); Sherwood Parks & Recreation Board (1999-2003).

#### I Want To Protect The Sherwood Police Department

Sherwood faces many unique challenges as it continues to expand. The number of retail businesses has grown significantly and with that rise comes an increased need for police services. A recent police staffing study concluded that the Sherwood Police Department provides a high level of service when compared with other similarly-sized communities. The study indicated that 94% of the community feels safe from crime in Sherwood and 85% believe the level of law enforcement provided improved the quality of life in Sherwood. I would like to see those numbers continue to hold true in the future.

The study identified a number of operational and staff change recommendations to enhance services at a modest cost including hiring an additional School Resource officer, police officer and sergeant, as well as creating a Community Services officer position. Yet, none of these options has been pursued even after spending almost \$40,000 for the study. Instead, the Mayor has focused on having the Washington County Sheriff's Department staff the night shift, stating it would "free up resources without growing the department." The City received a proposal from WCSO to cover the night shift and I believe the costs far outweigh the benefits. As a member of the law enforcement community, I don't believe it's a wise choice to outsource our police services and I believe Sherwood residents agree.

Money Magazine awarded Sherwood fifth place in "America's Best Small Town" and we have the second lowest violent crime rate in Oregon for cities with populations of 15,000-40,000 residents. Let's work together to keep our family-friendly community safe, with city leaders who are on the same page. Please join me in voting for Gail Cutsforth, Sean Garland and Kim Young in this election.

(This information furnished by Daniel King)

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#### **City Council**



### Mike Meyer

Occupation: Technology Services Manager, Papa Murphys International; Co-owner, Generations Bar and Grill

Occupational Background:
Technology Management and
Network Engineering – 22 years;
United States Marine Corps –
Sergeant (active duty 1988 – 1994,
Desert Storm veteran)

**Educational Background:** Banks High School, General Studies, Diploma

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Planning Commission – City of Sherwood (Currently serving)

I am a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation Oregonian. Growing up on a farm in rural Washington County taught me the valuable lessons of hard work and responsibility. Going to high school in a town with a population of 500, taught me about community and trust.

When we moved our family to Sherwood 7 years ago, I was overjoyed to find that same sense of community. Even with a population of almost 20,000, we still feel like we live in a small town. And it is that same environment that will continue to draw people to Sherwood.

We will grow, but we must do so intelligently. As a community, we need to shape how our town will look in the future. Developers that have no stake in Sherwood's livability should not be the ones to decide how we live. I want to help shape the future of our town with the ideas and concerns of all of our residents taken into account.

The City of Sherwood will continue to evolve and grow. I would like the privilege to help guide that growth as a member of the City Council.

(This information furnished by Mike Meyer)

#### **City Council**



### Alan H Pearson

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background:
Owner/Operator of Personnel
Consultants, Inc. an executive
recruiting service. Former Associate
Professor of Political Science.
Professional mediator in Family
and General Conflict management.

Educational Background: Knox

College, Political Science, BA; University of Illinois, Political Science, MA, PhD.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Currently a member of the Sherwood Planning Commission. Served on a regional planning commission in the Lexington Kentucky area. Served on the Frankfort/Franklin County (KY) Planning and Zoning Commission.

Sherwood has made significant forward progress recently. I want to contribute to its positive momentum. Sherwood's growth needs to be guided if we are to maintain those elements of life which make our city unique. I am against bad growth and shoddy development. I am for progress which adds to the vibrancy and quality of life in our city. Sherwood has to be a city where the government is transparent and responsive to the needs and wishes of all its citizens. Sherwood must have a city council which manages Sherwood's resources in a prudent manner, avoiding undue and excessive burdens on the taxpayers. I know and understand how government and bureaucracy work. Being retired, I have the time and resources to be a full time city councilor. The only property I own in Sherwood is my house. The only business relationship I have with the city is the payment of my fees and taxes. I am funding my own campaign. I am asking you to vote for me in the November election.

When elected I intend to:

- Protect your tax dollars from unnecessary and wasteful spending.
   Create a public/private partnership to build the least deleved.
- Create a public/private partnership to build the long delayed Skate Park.
- Encourage clean industries and manufacturing to come to Sherwood to create jobs and add to the tax base.
- Protect and support senior services.
- Work for affordable housing for the fastest growing segments of Sherwood's population, its seniors and young families.

(This information furnished by Alan H. Pearson)

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### City of Tigard

#### **City Council**



### Tom Anderson

**Occupation:** Principal Real Estate Broker/Owner of Tigard Real Estate

Occupational Background: Franchise business owner, real estate broker and office manager.

Educational Background: Washington State University, Humanities/Music. BA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Tigard Planning Commission, served 2007-2013 as member, Vice President and President.

Family: Wife Kelcie, son Aaron at Tigard High School, and daughter Autumn at Fowler Middle School.

Community: Tom is an active member of the Tigard Noon Rotary Club and serves as the Youth Services Coordinator. He is also a Severe Weather Shelter Coordinator for Washington County in concern to Tigard's homeless population. He has been a coach and/or volunteer for Tigard Little League, Tigard Junior Baseball Organization, and Tigard Basketball Association.

#### **Responsible Growth**

With Tigard now over 50,000 residents, we need to develop our land and resources responsibly. I want to keep the traditional suburban feel we all enjoy while bracing for future population forecasts with creative density solutions.

#### Healthy Business = Healthy Community

I will support Tigard's economic development vision for attracting business that will thrive in Tigard by utilizing our educated local workforce, great location, and varied facilities. Tigard is open for business.

#### **Future Vision for Tigard**

Much visioning has been done by concerned citizens of Tigard, and projects are underway in various stages.

It is important that we have leadership to keep projects like the Downtown Plan, River Terrace, and the Tigard Triangle on track and held to the highest standards. These projects and more will affect the livability of Tigard for generations to come.

My experience on the Tigard Planning Commission and working with leaders in the city gives me hope that Tigard will continue to be a desirable place to live and work. I want to do my part and do what I can to create a City Council that residents will be proud of.

#### Proudly Endorsed by:

Craig Dirksen, Metro Council Dist. 3, Former Tigard Mayor, current Margaret Doherty-State Representative District 35 Marland Henderson, Outgoing Tigard City Councilor

Tigard needs Tom Anderson on the City Council. He is well known in Tigard for being generous with his time, he is a good negotiator, and has common sense.

www.tomandersontigard.com

(This information furnished by Tom Anderson)

### **City Council**



### Jason B Snider

Occupation: Department Administrator, Kaiser Permanente Gastroenterology (2012–Present)

Occupational Background:

Administrator, Kaiser Permanente Beaverton Medical Office (2010-2012); Operations Manager, Kaiser Permanente Sunnybrook Medical Office (2007-2010); Quality Manager, Kaiser Permanente (2003-2007);

Clinical Quality Manager, American Medical Response (1999-2003); Paramedic (1996-1999), Emergency Medical Technician (1993-1996)

Educational Background: Dartmouth Medical School, M.S. (1999); Willamette University, B.S. (1998); Daniel Freeman Hospital Paramedic School (1996)

Prior Governmental Experience: Tigard City Council President (2015-present); Tigard City Councilor (2013-2014); Chair, Tigard Budget Committee (2008-2009); Tigard Budget Committee (2005-2007); Reserve Police Officer, City of Tigard (2001-2004); Student Board Member, Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School District (1992-1994)

#### **Council Accomplishments During First Term in Office**

- Established bold walkability vision with four clear goals
- Ensured financial stability of City, establishing dedicated funding source for parks and recreation
- Delivered affordable water on time and on budget from LOT Water Partnership
- High-quality residential construction project downtown (160+ units)
- Phase I of Main Street Green Street completed
- Championed re-opening the library on Thursdays
- Vocal voice on council for adding four police officers when response times to highest priority calls doubled in 5 years
- Pressed City staff to rapidly plan for River Terrace Development
- Created and actively participated in quarterly council community outreach activities
- Pushed staff to leverage city resources by identifying and obtaining grants/outside funding totaling \$32+ million

#### **Current and Future Goals**

- Enhance recreational programming
- Additional public investments so downtown is a place more people want to spend time
- İmplement Tigard Triangle Strategic Plan
- Define City role in addressing homelessness
- Advocate for Tigard in SW Corridor Transit Planning

For questions or more details, contact me via Facebook at jason.snider.tigardcc or follow me on Twitter @JasonSnider2

#### **Endorsements**

John Cook, Mayor of Tigard
Craig Dirksen, Metro Councilor and Former Mayor of Tigard
Roy Rogers, Washington County Commissioner
Margaret Doherty, State Representative
Marc Woodard, Tigard City Councilor
John Goodhouse, Tigard City Councilor
Nick Wilson, Former Tigard City Councilor
Tom Woodruff, Former Tigard City Councilor
Tom Brian, Former Washington County Chair
Randy Lauer, TVF&R Board
Tigard Police Officers Association

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### City of Tigard

### City of Tualatin

#### **City Council**

### **City Council, Position 2**



### Bret A Lieuallen

Occupation: Business owner

Occupational Background: Business owner, previous 21 years.

Educational Background: Templeton, Twality, Tigard High School, Portland Community College.

Prior Governmental Experience:

Tigard Planning Commissioner, Tigard Tree Board, Tigard Urban Forest Code Revision CAC, Tigard Brownfield's CAC.

Volunteer Service: Officer and Past Commander Tigard SAL American Legion, Past Emergency Service Officer USAF/CAP, Tigard Emergency Response Team, Tigard Basketball Coach.

Memberships: Tigard American Legion, Tigard Fraternal Order of the Eagles, Tigard Church of God.

- •Listen to residents and protect the individual character of Tigard's neighborhoods.
- •Support business innovation and outreach, bringing new jobs and better pay to Tigard's residents.
- •Improve park systems and citizen safety. Reduce crime, theft and vandalism and reduce waterway and public lands pollution from trash and human defecation by enforcing existing laws against drug use and overnight camping in our parks and greenways.
- •Support Safe Walks to Schools and the investment in sidewalk infill on all major arterial roads.
- •Support design and implementation of a city wide recreation program for all residents. I will not support a recreation center that requires residents to pay an additional annual membership fee to actually use.
- •Support a robust planning, preparedness, stockpiling and emergency response program for Tigard resiliency in anticipation of a large scale national disaster such as the Cascadia Event.

Tigard has an outstanding staff which makes them a joy to work with in solving Tigard's challenges and its citizens concerns. However, there is often a disconnect between our citizens and its leadership. I'd like to be your voice on Council. I'll champion your causes and fight for the respect you deserve. Having spent nearly my entire life in Tigard, we aren't so large a community that we can't just talk, as a resident said to me recently. Together, we'll continue great programs, and bring in your new priorities too. I ask for your support and trust in helping me bring your voice to Tigard's leadership.

(This information furnished by Bret A. Lieuallen)



### Sonya Ambuehl

**Occupation:** Bookkeeper at a local small business

Occupational Background: Bookkeeping

Educational Background:
Portland Community College,
General Studies, Associates of
General Studies; Portland Community College, Nursing, Associates

of Science; Portland State University, psychology, biology, criminal justine, NA; Portland Community College, Phlembotomy, Certificate of completion.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** 2014 Tualatin Volunteer of the Year; Tualatin Library Advisory Committee-Chair; Friends of the Tualatin Public Library-board member; Tualatin Task Force-board member

I've called Tualatin my home for the last 13 years. I love my community and the people. We are a growing city with a lot to offer and we have a friendly and inviting atmosphere.

I've been a volunteer with the Tualatin Public Library since 2009. I'm an active member on the Tualatin Library Advisory Board since 2013 and held the position of Chair for the last 2 years. I've been a board member on The Friends of the Tualatin Public Library from 2015-2016 and a board member on The Tualatin Task Force helping to narrow down locations for a new City Hall. It has been a real pleasure for me to help my city when I can. I find it very rewarding.

I think I would be a great member of City Council because I'm an open minded, objective and compassionate person. I want to hear what the community has to say. I want to hear what changes you would like to see happen. Ideas you have for our future. Things that you think would help Tualatin to thrive and grow. I may not be as politically advanced as my other opponents but am willing to listen to what YOU have to say and do what I can to help move things in the right direction. Feel free to email me with your concerns <a href="mailto:sambuehl4council@yahoo.com">sambuehl4council@yahoo.com</a>. I'd love to hear from you.

(This information furnished by Sonya Ambuehl)

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### City of Tualatin

#### City Council, Postion 2



### Paul Morrison

Occupation: Stay at Home Dad

Occupational Background: High School Teacher, Varsity Basketball Coach, Commercial Equipment Finance Professional

Educational Background: Fullerton College, Associate in Arts; California State University - Northridge, Liberal Studies, Bachelor of

Arts; Pepperdine University, Technology Management, Master of Science

Prior Governmental Experience: Tualatin Budget Committee

#### **Current Organizations:**

Treasurer, Tualatin Together Land Use Officer, Ibach Community Involvement Organization Treasurer, Hazelbrook PSO Treasurer, Victoria Gardens HOA

#### Past Organizations:

Byrom Elementary PSO Treasurer Byrom Elementary Site Council Vice-Chairman, Dallas School District Finance Committee, Oregon Treasurer, Rancho San Rafael HOA Youth Coach: YMCA, Cal Ripken Baseball, Tualatin Youth Sports

I've been involved in community activities for 20 years, and in this community since my wife and I first called Tualatin home. With three children in the Tigard-Tualatin School District, my participation in various organizations and civic involvement has allowed me to understand how Tualatin keeps improving, and inspired me to continue working to make our city one of America's best.

#### **Priorities:**

#### Sensible Basalt Creek Planning and Zoning

As the Basalt Creek concept plan becomes a reality, Tualatin must stay focused on sensible zoning in this area as it is annexed into the city, making traffic and quality of life the priorities.

#### • Ten Lighted Pedestrian Safety Crossings

Tualatin has several areas that need pedestrian safety improvements. The city budget needs to include the development of these crossings to provide safe pedestrian zones.

#### Boones Ferry Road Smart Traffic Corridor

Boones Ferry Road has become the go to road to avoid Interstate-5. We need to improve the traffic flow along this major Tualatin transportation artery to allow residents and business to move throughout the city.

#### Two Additional Tualatin Police Motorcycle Traffic Officers

Due to the significant increase in daytime traffic, two additional officers would give the department more flexibility in keeping our city safe.

Endorsed by:

Lou Ogden, Mayor Tualatin Wade Brooksby, Tualatin City Councilor Susan Noack Cyndy Hillier Jeremy Rankin Ali Hoyle Susan Gage

For more information visit: www.paul4tualatin.com

(This information furnished by Paul4Tualatin)

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### City Council, Position 4



### Robert E Kellogg

Occupation: Attorney

Occupational Background: Robert E. Kellogg, P.C.

**Educational Background:** B.S., Truman State University; J.D., Syracuse University

**Prior Governmental Experience:**Member, Budget Committee for City

of Tualatin, Tigard-Tualatin School District and Washington County Consolidated Communications Agency; Member, Washington County Transportation Futures Study Advisory Committee

**Volunteer Experience:** President, Ibach Citizen Involvement Organization; Board Member, Neighbors Nourishing Communities

If elected, I will strive to accomplish the following policy goals:

- Improve Transportation System. Perennially, the number one complaint of citizens. While projects are underway to alleviate congestion on Tualatin-Sherwood Road, much work remains to be done to eliminate bottlenecks on local streets and improve pedestrian safety through installation of enhanced crosswalk facilities and better street lighting.
- <u>Update Development Code</u>. The City's Development Code was written in the 1970s, and it is scheduled to be updated. As part of that process, I will advocate for land uses that promote small business creation by, among other things, establishing neighborhood commercial districts. I will oppose the establishment of hazardous or nuisance uses near residential districts.
- Transparency & Due Process. My political philosophy is that government's authority is derived exclusively from the consent of the governed. That consent can only be obtained through an open and deliberate process, which I will demand for all actions by the Council. As your City Councilor, I will seek your input on issues affecting our city, and I will be respectful and considerate of your opinions.
- Restore Your Initiative Rights. State law allows citizens to bring initiative measures to the local ballot two times each year. In May 2015, our City Council approved limiting your access to the initiative to one ballot every two years. I believe direct democracy is a valuable tool for citizens, and I will work to restore your rights to the same level provided by state law.

### VOTE KELLOGG "Principles Above Politics"

To learn more about my campaign and policy goals, please visit electkellogg.com

(This information furnished by Robert E. Kellogg)

### City of Wilsonville

#### Mayor



### Tim Knapp

Occupation: Old Town Village Small Business Center - Manager

Occupational Background: Small Business Center - Developer, Manager: 18 years; Auto Accessory Manufacturing, Distribution: 26 years; Casualty Insurance Claims - Processor, Staff Assistant, Staff

Manager, Branch Mgr: 10 yrs

Educational Background: Insurance Institute of America, Casualty Claims, Contracts, Law; Indiana University, Business; Colorado College, General; Marshall High School (Portland), General

Prior Governmental Experience: Wilsonville Mayor: 2009-present, Wilsonville City Councilor: 2004-2008; Wilsonville Budget Committee, Urban Renewal Agency Board: 2004-present; Wilsonville Transportation Planning Committee, Design Standards Review Group, Design Review Board, City Office Space Task Force: various 1997-2003; METRO Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation: 2011-present (alternate and member); METRO Reserves Steering Committee: 2008-2009, Metropolitan Mayors Consortium: 2012-present

#### FRIENDS:

I would be honored to continue representing you as MAYOR, as I have over the past 8 years. I will build on positive Wilsonville values, always seeking more City openness, responsiveness, and collaboration.

#### • OUR EXTERNAL CHALLENGES:

Our location on the urban edge, the I-5 highway corridor, the Willamette River, and prime Willamette agricultural area continue to challenge us. We must be thoughtfully represented at Metro, County and Regional venues that affect our future.

#### • OUR INTERNAL CHALLENGES:

How do we preserve the "small town" feel we all prize? How do we embrace and protect the beautiful natural settings of which we are beneficiaries and stewards? How do we carefully plan neighborhoods and industry, enabling economic vitality to enhances our lives, but not overpower our community with traffic?

#### • RESPONSIBLE LEADERSHIP: TIM KNAPP

Resident since 1986. Married to Melodee, 40 yrs. Children Daniel and Charlene graduated WHS. Long local engagement: Community Planning, Parks, Transportation, Housing, Frog Pond, Coffee Creek and Basalt Creek areas, protecting French Prairie.

 LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO SHAPE WILSONVILLE'S BEST FUTURE!

T -THOUGHTFUL
I -INDEPENDENT
M -MOTIVATED
KNAPP FOR MAYOR!

(This information furnished by Tim Knapp for Mayor)

### **City Council**



### Kristin Akervall

Occupation: Data and Accreditation Analyst

#### Occupational Background:

Positions in research, data analysis, and project management at private companies and higher education

#### **Educational Background:**

BA, Willamette University, magna cum laude

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Wilsonville Development Review Board; WLWV School Board Budget Committee; Wilsonville Leadership Academy

Dear Neighbors,

Wilsonville is a fantastic place to call home. This city has so much to offer its devoted residents young and old. Great schools, safe and healthy infrastructure, close proximity to both urban and beautiful natural areas, and our welcoming community define our city's values.

I want to retain the unique qualities that make Wilsonville a wonderful place to live. With my local government experience, and as the mother of a young daughter, I am prepared to represent the needs of our community, while helping Wilsonville grow in a way that serves the longtime population as well.

- I value our clean, safe neighborhoods that help foster connectivity and community.
- I will work to continue a strong relationship between the city and our schools.
- I welcome participation and collaboration from all groups in our city.

As an analytical thinker and experienced researcher, I will listen to community members, carefully consider issues, and engage respectfully. I am proud to serve this community and join in the many efforts being made to promote an excellent quality of life in Wilsonville.

Thank you for your vote! Kristin

"Kristin Akervall has the qualifications and integrity that the people of Wilsonville need and deserve. Vote for an experienced leader. Vote Kristin Akervall." Julie Fitzgerald, Wilsonville City Councilor, 2012-2016

We Support Kristin Akervall:
Michelle Ripple, Former Wilsonville City Councilor
Robert Fernandez, Director, WLWV School Board
Caroline Berry, Community Volunteer
Fred C. Ruby, Member, City of Wilsonville Development Review Board
Gerald (Jerry) Greenfield, Chair, Wilsonville Planning Commission
Chelsea Martin, Small Business Owner
Juan Fernando Pardo, Veteran, U.S. Navy
Robert Renfro, Librarian
Alan Steiger
Tony Holt
Theonie Gilmore

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### City of Wilsonville

### **Tualatin Soil & Water Conservation District**

### **City Council**

### **Director, At-large**



### Susie Stevens

Occupation: Executive Director

Occupational Background: Administrator; Events Director

**Educational Background:** University of Oregon; BA, English; summa cum laude

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Wilsonville City Councilor; Graham

Oaks Park Stakeholder Advisory Committee

These past years as a Wilsonville City Councilor has deepened my appreciation for the citizens who call Wilsonville home. I have witnessed countless individuals give their time, knowledge, and talents to improve our fine town. I feel privileged to be part of that effort.

Conversations with members of the community have shown me that, fundamentally, Wilsonville residents value many qualities that I, too, believe are important. These include:

- An abundance of local recreational activities
- · Feeling secure in neighborhoods and business districts
- Having a variety of ways to travel safely, whether by foot, bike, bus, or car
- Close proximity to nature from all parts of town
- Access to an outstanding community library
- A growing business sector for services and goods
- Community programs for seniors, youths, and other ages
- Varied and numerous housing choices suitable for every stage of life
- Wide-ranging employment opportunities
- Excellent schools, with dedicated teachers, administrators, and support staff

Wilsonville has all these attributes, plus many more. But they don't happen by accident. It takes thoughtful planning, an engaged community, and diligent, collaborative leadership to create a vibrant, safe, attractive city. As City Councilor, I will continue to fulfill my role as a conscientious and responsible leader for Wilsonville.

A few of my many supporters:
Tim Knapp, Mayor of Wilsonville
Scott Starr, Wilsonville City Council President
Charlotte Lehan, Wilsonville City Councilor
Julie Fitzgerald, Wilsonville City Councilor, 2012-2016
Alan Kirk, Former Wilsonville Council President
Jerry Greenfield, Chair of the Wilsonville Planning Commission
Tony Holt, Member, City of Wilsonville Budget Committee
Elaine Swyt, Chair, Wilsonville Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Betty Reynolds, Member, West Linn-Wilsonville School Board
Dick Spence, Board Member Wilsonville Community Sharing
Dennis Burke, Assistant Principal, Wilsonville High School

(This information furnished by Susie Stevens)



# Steven VanGrunsven

Occupation: Agronomist; Crop Consultant; Farmer

Occupational Background: Farm equipment operator; Farm laborer; Auto body asistant

Educational Background: Forest Grove High School, Diploma; OSU agriculture program at Eastern Oregon University, Major: Crop and

Soil Sciences, Bachelors of Science; Minor: Ag Business Management

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District director January 2013- Present

Having grown up in Western Washington County I recognize how important our soil and water is to our community. Every day I work with farmers who rely on clean water and healthy soil to say in business. I understand that when effectively managed our natural resources can support many economic opportunities for our community. Fresh air, healthy soil, and clean water are all important to the residents in Washington County. I will strive to protect our natural resources for future generations.

(This information furnished by Steven VanGrunsven)

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### Measure No. 34-250

### **Ballot Title**

#### Bonds For Earthquake-Resistant Public Safety Center

**Question:** Shall Beaverton issue up to \$35 million general obligation bonds to construct and equip an earthquakeresistant public safety center? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of Sections 11 and 11 b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**Summary:** Approval of this measure authorizes the city to finance the capital costs of constructing and equipping an earthquake-resistant public safety center on property already owned by the city. The building would house the city's police department, emergency management division and other public safety services.

The city would issue up to \$35 million in general obligation bonds to pay for the capital costs of the public safety center and for bond issuance costs. Costs would include: public safety center design and construction; site and access improvements; and building fixtures, furnishings and equipment.

The tax rate for the bonds is estimated to not exceed 20 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value, or approximately \$50 per year for property with assessed value of \$250,000. Actual rates may vary depending upon market conditions. Bonds would mature in a period not to exceed 21 years from issuance date and may be issued in one or more series.

### **Explanatory Statement**

#### What would this bond do?

The \$35 million bond would build a new public safety center to address safety and security concerns with the current location on SW Griffith Drive. The center would be built to modern earthquake and safety standards for police stations and emergency operation centers. This would ensure safe and uninterrupted police and emergency services in the event of a natural disaster.

#### What will this bond cost?

Because of the upcoming retirement of previous bonds used to construct the Beaverton City Library, this measure is expected to result in no increase in the city's existing overall bond tax rate of about 20 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value.

### Proceeds from the bond measure would help the City of Beaverton to:

- Construct an earthquake-resistant public safety center that meets modern earthquake and safety standards for police and emergency responders.
- Ensure that the city has appropriate space to meet and interview crime victims.
- Improve the safety of community members visiting the public safety center.
- Provide Beaverton a police building that is designed for the unique nature of police operations.
- Ensure that juveniles are appropriately separated from in-custody adults.
- Improve efficiencies by consolidating police functions under one roof and eliminate current leased space expenses for police functions dispersed throughout the city.
- Create a dedicated emergency operations center, with modern equipment, that would remain operational during disasters including wind, flood, and earthquake events, to ensure the city's ability to respond to community needs.

#### **Project Details**

The public safety center is planned for central Beaverton, at the intersection of SW Hall and Allen Boulevards on city-owned property. This location is where three police precincts meet, and would allow the police and other emergency responders to respond quickly and efficiently to all parts of Beaverton.

The city's police department and emergency management functions would be located in the new building. State law classifies police stations and emergency operation centers as essential facilities that must be built to higher standards than typical office buildings.

Submitted by:

Council President Marc San Soucie

### Measure No. 34-250 Arguments

### **Argument in Favor**

Broad Community Support for Measure 34-250 Yes for Safer City and Same Tax Rate

Measure 34-250 is endorsed by the following:

**Public Safety Facility Advisory Committee Members** 

Jim McCreight, Chairman Public Safety Facility Advisory Committee Domonic Biggi

Lorraine Clarno, Public Safety Advisory Committee

Pryor Garnett

Jaann Hoisington

Brian J. Martinek, Executive Director NWRRC and Public Safety

Facility Advisory Committee Member

Tobias Read Mark Reser

John Van Zonneveld

City of Beaverton Elected Officials

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Marc San Soucie, Beaverton City Councilor

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Tualatin Valley Firefighters Union
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This information furnished by:

Beaverton Public Safety Center Advisory Committee

### **Argument in Favor**

**VOTE YES ON MEASURE 34-250** Safer City - Same Tax Rate

#### **BEAVERTON'S PROBLEM:**

An outdated, inadequate public safety and emergency response center

For 30 years, Beaverton police and emergency management have operated from a building not intended to provide police or emergency services. The facility is not earthquake-resistant, has inadequate security and communications technology and requires citizens and victims to be within close proximity of criminals

Measure 34-250 resolves these community safety problems. The measure provides for construction of a new center on cityowned land at the corner of SW Allen Blvd and Hall Street. It will be earthquake-resistant, emergency-ready and designed so citizens and victims will no longer be in proximity to detained criminals.

Important to note, Measure 34-250 does not increase the current tax rate on Beaverton residents because it replaces bonds being paid off to fund city library construction.

#### STRENGTHEN PUBLIC SAFETY: YES ON MEASURE 34-250 Ensure police and first-responders are emergency-ready and earthquake-safe

Measure 34-250 provides that in the event of a natural disaster, terrorism, mass shooting or significant crime event, police and emergency responders can act swiftly - in a secure, earthquake-resistant facility with access to the equipment and communications necessary to protect the community.

#### **PROTECT VICTIMS: YES ON MEASURE 34-250** Separate citizens, crime victims and minors from detained criminals

Beaverton's current public safety building places citizens and crime victims within close physical proximity of detained criminals. Measure 34-250 will eliminate an intimidating and unsafe environment.

#### FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE: YES ON MEASURE 34-250 Maintain same city tax rate and build on city-owned land

Measure 34-250 does not increase residents' tax rates -- it replaces expiring bonds used to fund city library construction. The city will build the public safety center on land it already owns at the corner of Allen Blvd and Hall Street, reducing construction costs.

#### **ENDORSED BY:**

#### **Public Safety Facility Advisory Committee Members**

Jim McCreight, Chairman Domonic Biggi Lorraine Clarno **Pryor Garnett** Jaann Hoisington Tobias Read Mark Reser John Van Zonneveld

This information furnished by: Beaverton Public Safety Center Advisory Committee

### **Argument in Favor**

Beaverton City Leaders Urge Yes Vote on 34-250

Yes for Public Safety

### Measure No. 34-250 Arguments

#### Yes for Same Tax Rate

Beaverton's police force moved into a commercial office building in 1986, as a temporary location until a suitable building was constructed. That "temporary" situation has lasted for 30 years. It's time for our police and emergency responders to operate out of a building designed to meet today's challenges from natural disasters to crime.

Measure 34-250 raises \$35 million to build a police and emergency response center on city-owned land – and it does so <u>without increasing Beaverton's tax rate</u>. It simply replaces bonds that funded library construction when those are paid off.

#### Let's Be Prepared

The current center does not meet federal standards for withstanding natural disasters like an earthquake and sits in an active flood zone. An earthquake would render the current building unusable and limit our ability to maintain order and coordinate crucial services.

#### Let's Be Safe

The current building is not designed for police work. A new building needs safe public areas, where victims and the community can interact with police without encountering prisoners. The building needs modern and secure holding cells and secure parking for police vehicles and equipment.

#### Let's Be Financially Prudent

Measure 34-250 does not increase your tax rate – it replaces bonds that are being paid off for library construction. The bond tax rate will remain about 20 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value, or approximately \$50 per year for property with an assessed value of \$250,000.

#### Now Is the Time

As your elected leaders, we urge you to provide our police and emergency services with a modern home, designed for safety, efficiency, and durability, that will allow each to operate to its full capacity, while protecting the safety of visitors, victims, and the community.

#### Vote YES for Measure 34-250!

Denny Doyle, Mayor of Beaverton

Marc San Soucie, Council President

Cate Arnold

Lacey Beaty

Mark Fagin, Beaverton City Counsel

This information furnished by: Mayor Denny Doyle

### **Argument in Favor**

Beaverton's Business Community Endorses Measure 34-250 Vote <u>Yes</u> for a Safer City – Without Increasing Your Tax Rate

Beaverton Chamber of Commerce says Measure 34-250 is **FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE** 

- Measure 34-250 is a sound solution to the city's existing, outdated police and emergency response center – which doesn't meet federal safety standards and wouldn't withstand an earthquake.
- Measure 34-250 raises \$35 million for a new building but it <u>doesn't increase your overall tax rate</u>. That's because it will replace bonds that were used to construct the Beaverton City Library 20 years ago. This means your tax rate won't increase.
- The tax rate for the bonds is about 20 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value, or about \$50 per year for property with an assessed value of \$250,000.
- The center will be built at the corner of SW Hall and Allen on city-owned land, which will reduce costs.

Beaverton Chamber of Commerce says Measure 34-250 will make Beaverton a **BETTER PLACE TO DO BUSINESS.** 

- Measure 34-250 is supported by the Beaverton Chamber because a thriving community needs a strong police and emergency system that's ready for anything.
- The current public safety center is a commercial office building that was not built for the modern needs of police or emergency responders – it doesn't meet federal safety standards and would be rendered useless in an earthquake.
- Police functions are currently dispersed throughout the city which reduces the city's ability to respond to major emergencies in the most efficient manner.
- In the event of a natural disaster or mass shooting at a school or shopping center, Beaverton first responders need the equipment and facilities to coordinate an effective response that returns the city to order and allows businesses to operate. <u>Measure 34-250 will give our</u> business community that peace of mind.

### BEAVERTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE URGES YOU TO VOTE YES ON MEASURE 34-250!

This information furnished by: Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce

### **Argument in Favor**

### VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND THE COMMUNITY DESERVE BETTER

Vote Yes on Measure 34-250

Imagine being the victim of a crime – armed robbery or domestic violence assault – and then coming to a police station where you're forced to be in close physical proximity to suspects and criminals. Rather than feeling safe and protected – you feel intimidated and victimized again.

That's the situation at Beaverton's current public safety center. The police force moved into a commercial office building 30 years ago, as a temporary location. And 30 years later, the force is still operating out of the outdated building that fails to meet modern safety standards AND the safety needs of the community.

Yes on 34-250 to Create Safe Space for Domestic Violence Victims

### Measure No. 34-250 Arguments

Measure 34-250 raises \$35 million dollars – without increasing your tax rate – to construct a modern police and emergency response center that has the appropriate space to interview victims of domestic violence where they, and often their children, will feel safe from harm.

#### Yes on 34-250 to Protect Women, Men and Children

The ugly truth is -1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men will be victims of severe intimate partner violence at some time in their lives. The odds go up for those between the ages of 18 and 28. A police force that is fully equipped to answer domestic violence calls makes us all safer. Officers will be able to intervene more quickly and reduce the violence, particularly when a deadly weapon is on the scene.

#### Yes on 34-250 for Stronger Police Response

It's time to house police and emergency services in a building that's equipped to efficiently dispatch officers. When it comes to domestic violence intervention, police are our first responders. Measure 34-250 will give Beaverton police the right infrastructure for responding to domestic violence victims.

#### Endorsed by:

Sara Wade, Executive Director

Domestic Violence Resource Center

### DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS URGE A YES VOTE ON MEASURE 34-250!

This information furnished by: Domestic Violence Resource Center

### **Argument in Favor**

**VOTE YES ON MEASURE 34-250** 

A safer Beaverton - same tax rate

Since 1986, Beaverton's Police Department has been housed in an office building unsuitable for police work. Prisoner custody, weapons maintenance, evidence inventory, providing services when the earthquake hits, and ensuring victims' safety are all severely restricted in our current location. The time is now for Beaverton to have a dedicated public service building with the security features and technology infrastructure needed to keep Beaverton safe.

### MEASURE 34-250 MEANS MORE OFFICER TIME IN THE COMMUNITY

Measure 34-250 raises \$35 million for a new police and emergency management center that will allow Beaverton Police to consolidate all of its facilities into one central building. That means more officer time spent in neighborhoods serving residents, and less time spent traveling between evidence and other locations.

#### YES ON 34-250 FOR A SAFER BEAVERTON

Measure 34-250 will finally provide a suitable building for police work like processing evidence, holding prisoners, interviewing victims and using high-tech equipment to investigate cyber-

crimes. This means more crimes solved faster, a safer place for victims to work hand-in-hand with officers to get criminals off our streets, and the ability to keep seniors and kids safe from online predators.

#### THE TIME IS NOW: YES ON 34-250

Our chance to equip our officers to keep Beaverton safe in the time of a terrorist attack or catastrophic event is NOW. Measure 34-250 gives Beaverton an earthquake resistant, public safety center in a location that's already owned by the city and keeps the current tax rate the same.

#### **OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU**

The Beaverton Police Department works hand in hand with victims, schools, churches, neighborhoods, businesses, families and individuals to keep Beaverton safe. Vote YES on 34-250 so we can continue to provide the high-quality, community policing services you deserve.

#### **ENDORSED BY:**

James Monger, Beaverton Police Chief Sheriff Pat Garrett Washington County David G. Bishop Geoff Spalding, Police Chief (Ret)

This information furnished by: Interim Beaveron Police Chief Jim Monger

### **Argument in Favor**

#### **VOTE YES ON MEASURE 34-250**

A safe and ready Beaverton - same tax rate

The City of Beaverton is located inside the Cascadia Subduction Zone, where Scientists have predicted a high likelihood of a mega earthquake in the next 50 years. The quake will trigger a Tsunami, landslides and major infrastructure failures. When it happens, your police department is committed to being there for you and your family, doing everything we can to keep our City safe. But Beaverton's current police building will not withstand an earthquake, and is located in a flood zone. If the big one hits tomorrow, we are not equipped to continue to provide services.

Measure 34-250 fixes that.

### YES ON 34-250 FOR A PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING THAT WILL WITHSTAND AN EARTHQUAKE

Measure 34-250 raises \$35 million to build a new police and emergency management center that will withstand an earthquake and allow police officers to be the front line, working hand-in-hand with local, state and federal agencies to keep residents safe in the case of a catastrophic event, mass shooting or earthquake.

### YES ON 34-250 FOR A MORE EFFICIENT, EFFECTIVE POLICE FORCE

Measure 34-250 provides a centrally-located building that not only meets seismic standards for a public safety facility, but also has the infrastructure needed to carry out police functions like prisoner custody, evidence processing and inventory, and weapons maintenance.

### Measure No. 34-250 Arguments

#### YES ON 34-250 FOR VICTIM SAFETY

Information provided to police by crime victims is critical to putting criminals behind bars. Our current police facility has no place for victims to feel secure and be interviewed by officers – out of the line of sight of the very criminals who victimized them. Measure 34-250 provides victims with a safe environment to work with police to get criminals off the streets.

**ENDORSED BY:** 

Officer Dan Coulson Sergeant Robert Davis

Officer Ed Mastripolito

Katrina Rodriguez, Victim Services Coordinator

Beaverton Police Association

Tualatin Valley Firefighters Union

Sheriff Pat Garrett, Washington County

This information furnished by: Beaverton Police Association

### **Argument in Favor**

#### LET'S BE PREPARED FOR THE BIG ONE

Vote Yes on Measure 34-250

**Emergency-Ready City - Same Tax Rate** 

The famed 2015 New Yorker article spelled it out in frightening terms. When a major earthquake hits the Northwest, our region "will suffer the worst natural disaster in the history of North America." (Source: <a href="http://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2015/07/20/the-really-big-one">http://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2015/07/20/the-really-big-one</a>)

Scientists predict the Big One will strike in the next 50 years. And Beaverton needs to be ready.

But today's police and emergency response center is woefully inadequate. Housed in a commercial office building, Beaverton's current public safety building would be reduced to rubble during a major earthquake – preventing our front-line responders from being able to coordinate the massive response required to save lives and return order to the community.

### Yes on 34-250: Give Beaverton the emergency response center it needs.

Measure 34-250 raises \$35 million to build a new public safety center for police and emergency services <u>without increasing your tax rate</u>. The bonds will replace ones being paid off to fund library construction. The new center be designed to meet federal earthquake and safety standards and will be equipped with modern equipment that can withstand the worst of the worst: wind storms, massive flooding and earthquakes.

#### Yes on 34-250: Better communication and coordination.

Emergency response teams work across multiple departments and agencies to coordinate swift and effective responses. We need our services housed in a facility designed to facilitate smooth communications across many channels at the same time.

### Yes on 34-250: Improve response to emergencies that happen every day.

Beaverton's emergency response is called out on a daily basis to manage a range of incidents from hazardous material spills to tree branches blocking streets. A suitable building for emergency services will speed up our ability to respond to these events and prevent further disruption and inconvenience to the community.

#### **ENDORSED BY:**

Lyndon Moore, Vice Chair/Volunteer, Community Emergency Response Team Steering Committee

Rick Briggs, W7BVT Washington County Emergency Radio Station Manager

This information furnished by: Beaverton Community Emergency Response Team

### Measure No. 34-251

### **Ballot Title**

#### City Tax on Sales of Recreational Marijuana Items

**Question:** Shall Beaverton impose a three percent tax on sales of recreational marijuana items sold by marijuana retailers?

Summary: Approval of this measure would impose a three percent tax on sales of recreational marijuana items (including marijuana and cannabinoid products, concentrates and extracts) by marijuana retailers licensed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission and located with the city of Beaverton. The tax would be collected from marijuana retailers at the point of sale. The three percent city tax would be imposed in addition to any state taxes on sales of recreational marijuana items. The three percent city tax would not be imposed on medical marijuana sales.

### **Explanatory Statement**

If this measure is approved by the voters of the city of Beaverton, the city will impose a three percent (3%) tax on sales of recreational marijuana items (including marijuana concentrates, extracts, edibles and other products intended for human consumption and use) by marijuana retailers licensed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission and located within the city. The three percent (3%) tax would not be imposed on medical marijuana sales.

The revenues from this tax are estimated to be \$75,000 per year. These revenues will be deposited into the city's general fund, which supports the police, the municipal court, public safety initiatives, social services and neighborhood programs. The three percent (3%) city tax would be imposed in addition to any state taxes on sales of recreational marijuana items.

Under Measure 91 – adopted by Oregon voters in November 2014 and amended by the Legislature in 2016 – the Oregon Liquor Control Commission must license the retail sale of recreational marijuana. Oregon law allows the city to impose a tax of three percent (3%) on sales of recreational marijuana items by licensed marijuana retailers located within the city if the tax is approved by city voters at a general election. The Beaverton City Council desires to impose a three percent (3%) tax on sales of recreational marijuana items and adopted a resolution referring this measure to city voters. If a majority of the legal voters of the city voting on this measure approve this measure, the city tax shall take effect on January 1, 2017.

Submitted by: City Council President Marc San Soucie

### **City of Cornelius**

### Measure No. 34-266

### **Ballot Title**

Authorizing Tax on Recreational Retail Sales of Marijuana Items.

**Question:** Shall Cornelius impose a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items sold by a recreational retailer?

**Summary:** Under a state law, cities may adopt ordinances imposing up to a three percent tax or fee on the sale of recreational marijuana items in the city by state-licensed marijuana retailers as long as the ordinance is referred to the voters for approval at the next statewide general election. This measure seeks the required voter approval for a three percent tax on recreational marijuana sold in the city by state-licensed marijuana retailers.

If this measure is approved, the City would be authorized to impose a three percent tax on recreational marijuana sales in Cornelius.

### **Explanatory Statement**

Approval of this measure would impose a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items by a marijuana retailer within the city.

Under Measure 91, adopted by Oregon voters in November 2014, codified in ORS chapter 475B and amended by the Legislature in 2016, the Oregon Liquor Control Commission must license the retail sale of recreational marijuana. ORS 475B.345 provides that a city council may adopt an ordinance imposing up to a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items (which include marijuana concentrates, extracts, edibles, and other products intended for human consumption and use) by retail licensees in the city, but the council must refer that ordinance to the voters at a statewide general election. The Cornelius City Council adopted an ordinance imposing a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items by a retail licensee in the city, and, as a result, has referred this measure to the voters.

Under state law, if the city prohibits the establishment of medical marijuana processors, medical marijuana dispensaries, recreational marijuana producers, recreational marijuana processors, or recreational marijuana retailers, the city may not impose a tax or fee on the sale of recreational marijuana. The tax proposed by this measure will be collected only if the City does not have a prohibition in place on any of the marijuana facilities described above. Currently, there is no such prohibition in place within the City.

If approved, the tax would be paid by anyone buying recreational marijuana from a licensed retailer located in the City regardless of whether they are a Cornelius resident or not.

Submitted by: Rob Drake, City Manager

No Arguments in Favor or Opposition of this measure were filed.

### City of Cornelius

### Measure No. 34-249

### Measure No. 34-267

### **Ballot Title**

Authorizing \$0.02 Per Gallon Increase to Motor Vehicle Fuel Business License Tax.

Question: Shall City increase business license tax on motor vehicle fuel dealers by \$0.02 per gallon?

Summary: In 2010 city voters enacted a \$0.02 per gallon business license tax on motor vehicle fuel dealers. These funds are used for costs associated with construction, reconstruction, improvement, repair, maintenance, operation and use of public highways, roads and streets in the City. Projects funded by the tax include:

- CurbingStreet lighting
- Sidewalks and ramps

This measure would increase the tax by two cents (2¢) per gallon to a total of four cents (4¢). Under state law any increases to such taxes must be approved by the voters.

### **Explanatory Statement**

Chapter 3.15 of the City's Municipal Code imposes a 2¢/gallon business license tax on motor vehicle fuel dealers in the City. Under the state constitution and Chapter 3.15, the money must be used solely for costs associated with construction, reconstruction, improvement, repair, maintenance, operation and use of City roads and streets. The tax is paid by anyone who buys motor vehicle fuel in the City - residents and nonresidents alike.

The council adopted Chapter 3.15 in August, 2009 to replace the \$2.25 monthly streetlight fee paid by City residents. It was then referred to City voters for approval. City voters approved the law in March, 2010. The Ordinance took effect April 1, 2010. Since that time, the law has generated approximately \$192,000/ year for City streets. The amount would double to approximately \$384,000/year if voters approve the additional 2¢/gallon business license tax on motor vehicle fuel dealers in the City.

The City must use the money for costs associated with construction, reconstruction, improvement, repair, maintenance, operation and use of City roads and streets. The City has primarily used the funds for two purposes - streetlight operation and road pavement. Examples of projects funded by the fuel tax include, over the next five years, paving of:

- S. Alpine St.
- N. Barlow St.
- S. Beech St.
- S. Cherry St.
- N. Clark St. N. Davis St.
- S. Dogwood St.
- S. Dogwood Ct.
- S. Dogwood Pl.
- S. Dogwood Cir.
- S. Fawn St.
- S. 2nd Ct., S. 10th Ave., S. 12th Ave., S. 15th Ave., S. 19th Ave., S. 19th Pl., S. 20th Ave., S. 21st Ave., N. 14th Ave., N. 18th Ave., N. 31st Ave., and
- N. 13th Ave.

The tax is paid by anyone buying gas or diesel fuel in the City regardless of whether they are a Cornelius resident or not. About 40,000 vehicles a day use Adair/Baseline - most of them from outside the City - so it is almost certain that non-Cornelius residents pay some of the tax.

If approved, this measure would increase the tax to 4¢ per gallon, thereby providing additional funding for the road projects and street lighting.

Submitted by: Rob Drake, Čity Manager

No Arguments in Favor or Opposition of this measure were filed.

### **Ballot Title**

Authorizing Tax on Recreational Retail Sales of Marijuana Items

Question: Shall the City impose a 3% tax on recreational marijuana items sold by marijuana retailers in Forest

**City of Forest Grove** 

Summary: Under a state law, cities in Oregon may adopt ordinances imposing up to a three percent tax or fee on the sale of recreational marijuana items in the city by statelicensed marijuana retailers as long as the ordinance is referred to the voters for approval at the next statewide general election.

Approval of this measure would impose a three percent tax on the sale of recreational marijuana items in the City by a licensed marijuana retailer. The tax would be collected at the point of sale and remitted by the marijuana retailer.

### **Explanatory Statement**

Approval of this measure would impose a three percent tax on the sale of recreational marijuana items by a marijuana retailer within the city. If approved, the annual revenue from this tax is estimated to be \$36,750. There are no restrictions on how the city may use the revenues generated by this tax.

Under Measure 91, adopted by Oregon voters in November 2014 and amended by the Legislature in 2015, the Oregon Liquor Control Commission must license the retail sale of recreational marijuana. ORS 475B.345 provides that a city council may adopt an ordinance imposing up to a three percent tax on the sale of recreational marijuana items (which include marijuana concentrates, extracts, edibles, and other products intended for human consumption and use) by retail licensees in the city, but the council must refer that ordinance to the voters at a statewide general election. The City of Forest Grove City Council has adopted an ordinance imposing a three percent tax on the sale of recreational marijuana items by a retail licensee in the city, and, as a result, has referred this measure to the voters.

Submitted by: Jesse VanderZanden, City Manager

### City of Gaston

### Measure No. 34-265

### **Ballot Title**

Prohibits Certain Marijuana Registrants and Licensees in Gaston

**Question:** Shall Gaston prohibit medical marijuana processors, medical marijuana dispensaries, recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers in the City?

Summary: State law allows operation of registered medical marijuana processors, medical marijuana dispensaries and licensed recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers. State law provides that a city council may adopt an ordinance to be referred to the voters to prohibit the establishment of any of those registered or licensed activities. This measure would not prohibit personal use or possession of marijuana. This measure would prohibit the establishment and operation of medical marijuana processors, medical marijuana dispensaries, recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers in areas within the jurisdiction of Gaston; provided that state law allows for continued operation of medical marijuana processors and medical marijuana dispensaries already registered - or in some cases, that have applied to be registered – and that have successfully completed a local land use application process. If this measure is approved, the City will be ineligible to receive distributions of state marijuana tax revenues and will be unable to impose a local tax or fee on the production, processing or sale of marijuana or any product into which marijuana has been incorporated.

### **Explanatory Statement**

Approval of this measure would prohibit the establishment and operation of certain marijuana activities within the City of Gaston. Approval would not prohibit personal use or possession of marijuana.

The Oregon Medical Marijuana Act, as amended by the Legislature in 2015, provides that the Oregon Health Authority will register medical marijuana processors and medical marijuana dispensaries. Medical marijuana processors compound or convert marijuana into concentrates, extracts, edible products, and other products intended for human consumption and use. Medical marijuana dispensaries facilitate the transfer of marijuana and marijuana products between patients, caregivers, processors, and growers. Measure 91, approved by Oregon voters in 2014 and by the Legislature in 2015, provides that the Oregon Liquor Control Commission will license recreational marijuana producers (those who manufacture, plant, cultivate, grow or harvest marijuana), processors, wholesalers, and retailers.

A city council may adopt an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of any of those entities within the city, but the council must refer the ordinance to the voters at a statewide general election. The Gaston City Council has adopted an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of marijuana processing sites, medical marijuana dispensaries, marijuana producers, marijuana processors, marijuana wholesalers, and marijuana retailers within the City and, as a result, has referred this measure to the voters.

If approved, this measure would prohibit medical marijuana processors, medical marijuana dispensaries, recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers within the City. Medical marijuana processors and medical marijuana dispensaries that were registered with the state before the City Council adopted the ordinance, and medical marijuana dispensaries that applied to be registered on or before July 1, 2015, can continue operating in the city even if this measure is approved, if those entities have successfully completed a local land use application process.

Approval of this measure has revenue impacts. Currently, ten percent of state marijuana tax revenues will be distributed to cities to assist local law enforcement in performing their duties under Measure 91. If approved, this measure would make the city ineligible to receive distributions of state marijuana tax revenues.

Currently, under the 2015 legislation, a city may impose up to a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items by a marijuana retailer in the city. However, a city that adopts an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of medical marijuana processors, medical marijuana dispensaries, or recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, or retailers may not impose a local tax or fee on the production, processing or sale of marijuana or any product into which marijuana has been incorporated. Approval of this measure would thereby prevent a city from imposing a local tax on those activities.

Submitted by: Ruben Cleaveland, Gaston City Attorney

# City of King City

### Measure No. 34-252

### Measure No. 34-270

### **Ballot Title**

### Authorizing tax on recreational retail sales of marijuana items

**Question:** Shall Hillsboro impose a tax on the sale of marijuana items sold by recreational retailers as permitted by state law?

Summary: Under a state law, cities may adopt ordinances imposing up to a three percent tax or fee on the sale of recreational marijuana items in the city by state-licensed marijuana retailers as long as the ordinance is referred to the voters for approval at the next statewide general election. This measure seeks the required voter approval for the City to impose a tax on the retail sale of all marijuana items sold by an OLCC licensed marijuana retailer in the City in an amount equal to the maximum allowed by state law, which is currently equal to three percent.

If this measure is approved, the City would be authorized to impose a three percent tax on recreational marijuana sales in Hillsboro and increase the amount of the tax if and when state law permits such increases.

### **Explanatory Statement**

Approval of this measure would impose a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items by a marijuana retailer within the city and permit increases in the amount of the tax if and when state law permits such increases.

Under Measure 91, adopted by Oregon voters in November 2014, codified in ORS chapter 475B and amended by the Legislature in 2016, the Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) must license the retail sale of recreational marijuana. ORS 475B.345 provides that a city council may adopt an ordinance imposing a tax or fee on marijuana items (which include marijuana concentrates, extracts, edibles, and other products intended for human consumption and use) sold in in the city by retailers licensed by OLCC, but the council must refer that ordinance to the voters at a statewide general election. The Hillsboro City Council adopted an ordinance imposing a tax in an amount equal to the maximum permitted by state law on the sale of marijuana items by a retail licensee in the city, and, as a result, has referred this measure to the voters.

Under state law, if the city prohibits the establishment of medical marijuana processors, medical marijuana dispensaries, recreational marijuana producers, recreational marijuana processors, or recreational marijuana retailers, the city may not impose a tax or fee on the sale of recreational marijuana. The tax proposed by this measure will be collected only if the City does not have a prohibition in place on any of the marijuana facilities described above. Currently, there is no such prohibition in place within the City.

If approved, the tax would be paid by anyone buying recreational marijuana from a licensed retailer located in the City regardless of whether they are a Hillsboro resident or not. The current tax rate would be equal to three percent of all retail sales and could be increased if and when state law permits such increases.

Submitted by: Jerry Willey, Mayor

### **Ballot Title**

Imposes city tax on marijuana retailer's sale of marijuana items

**Question:** Shall City impose a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items by a marijuana retailer in the City?

**Summary:** Under state law, a city council may adopt an ordinance to be referred to the voters of the city imposing up to a three percent tax or fee on the sale of marijuana items in the city by a licensed marijuana retailer.

If this measure is adopted, it would approve a King City Ordinance imposing a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items in the city by a licensed marijuana retailer. The tax would be collected at the point of sale and remitted by the marijuana retailer. The measure also includes provisions regarding collection, administration and enforcement of the tax.

### **Explanatory Statement**

Under measure 91, adopted by the Oregon voters in November 2014, and amended by the Legislature in 2015, the Oregon Liquor Control Commission must license the retail sale of recreational marijuana. The 2015 Legislation provides that a city council may adopt an ordinance imposing up to a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items (which include marijuana concentrates, extracts, edibles, and other products intended for human consumption and use) by retail licensees in the city, but the council must refer that ordinance to the voters at a statewide general election. The City Council of King City has adopted an ordinance imposing a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items by a marijuana retailer in the city, and, as a result, has referred this measure to the voters.

If this measure is adopted, it would approve King City Ordinance No. 2016-01 imposing a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items in the city by a licensed marijuana retailer. The tax would be collected at the point of sale and remitted by the marijuana retailer. The measure also includes provisions regarding collection, administration and enforcement of the tax. There are no restrictions on how the city may use the revenues generated by this tax.

Submitted by: Michael Weston, City Manager/Recorder

### City of King City

### City of Lake Oswego

### Measure No. 34-271

### Measure No. 3-489

### **Ballot Title**

### Fuel Tax for King City Streets and Rights-of-Way

**Question:** Shall City impose fuel tax of three cents per gallon for street and right-of way improvements, repair, and maintenance?

**Summary:** A yes vote on this measure would approve Ordinance 16-02, and amend the King City municipal code to impose a three cent per gallon tax on motor vehicle fuel sold in King City. The tax would be collected by motor vehicle fuel dealers and paid to the City.

Net revenue received under the Ordinance would only be used for the planning, financing, design, construction, maintenance, repair, operation and use of public highways, roads, streets and public rights-of-way within the City. The Ordinance includes a record-keeping requirement for dealers, and allows credits if a dealer makes an overpayment. It imposes penalties on a dealer for non-payment and exempts certain fuel (exported fuel, fuel sold to the armed forces, and fuel in vehicles coming into King City) from taxation.

At the rate of three cents per gallon, annual revenue is expected to be between \$60,000 - \$100,000 annually.

### **Explanatory Statement**

A yes vote on this measure would approve Ordinance 16-02, and amend the King City municipal code to impose a three cent per gallon tax on motor vehicle fuel sold in King City. The tax would be collected by motor vehicle fuel dealers and paid to the City.

Net revenue received under the Ordinance would only be used for the planning, financing, design, construction, maintenance, repair, operation and use of public highways, roads, streets and public rights-of-way within the City. The Ordinance includes a record-keeping requirement for dealers, and allows credits if a dealer makes an over-payment. It imposes penalties on a dealer for non-payment and exempts certain fuel (exported fuel, fuel sold to the armed forces, and fuel in vehicles coming into King City) from taxation.

At the rate of three cents per gallon, annual revenue is expected to be between \$60,000 - \$100,000 annually.

Submitted by:

Michael Weston, City Manager/Recorder

### **Ballot Title**

Lake Oswego Charter Amendment Relating to Notices of City Elections

**Question:** Shall the Lake Oswego Charter be amended to update language and eliminate requirements to post election notices at certain locations?

**Summary:** Section 24 of the City Charter requires that notices of regular city elections be posted at City Hall and one public place in each voting precinct at least ten days before regular city elections. Section 24 also states that regular city elections will be held at the same "times and places" as biennial primary and general state elections, and requires that notices specify the "time and place" of elections.

State law now requires that elections be conducted by mail, with ballots mailed to voters at least 14 days before the election date. Consequently, voters receive mailed notice of elections. Because votes are cast by mail or drop-off, there are no polling places in the City.

Approval of this measure amends Section 24 of the Charter to eliminate the ten-day posting requirement for election notices. The measure also replaces references to the "times and places" of elections with references to the "dates" of elections. Section 24 will continue to require that election notices be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the city.

### **Explanatory Statement**

This measure has been submitted to the voters by the Lake Oswego City Council.

Section 24 of the Lake Oswego Charter currently req uires that notices of regular City elections be posted at City Hall, and in one public place in each voting precinct, at least ten days before each election. By state law, all City elections are now conducted by mail, with ballots mailed to voters at least 14 days before the election date. This measure asks voters to determine whether the City should continue to post election notices when voters already receive notice by mail. Approval of this measure amends Section 24 of the Charter to eliminate the ten-day posting requirements. Section 24 will continue to require that election notices be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City.

Section 24 of the Lake Oswego Charter currently states that regular elections will be held at the same "times and places" as biennial primary and general state elections. It also requires that notices specify the "time and place" of the election. Because voting is now by mail, there are no longer polling places at which ballots are cast. Approval of this measure amends Section 24 of the Lake Oswego Charter to replace references to the "time and place" (or "times and places") of an election with references to the "date" (or "dates") of the election.

A "yes" vote amends the Section 24 Lake Oswego Charter as described above. Although Section 24 applies to regular elections, Section 25 of the Charter states that special elections require the same notices as regular elections. As a result, these Charter amendments will apply to both types of elections.

A "no" vote retains Section 24 of the Lake Oswego Charter in its current form.

Submitted by: Anne-Marie Simpson, City Recorder

No Arguments in Favor or Opposition of this measure were filed.

### City of Lake Oswego

### Measure No. 3-490

### **Ballot Title**

### Prohibits Certain Marijuana Production and Sales Facilities in Lake Oswego

**Question:** Shall Lake Oswego prohibit medical marijuana processors and dispensaries, and recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers and retailers, within the city?

**Summary:** State law allows operation of registered medical marijuana processing sites and dispensaries, and licensed recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers. State law also authorizes cities to adopt ordinances, to be referred to city voters, prohibiting establishment of any of these activities. The Lake Oswego City Council has adopted Ordinance 2689 banning each of these activities within the city.

Approval of this measure approves Ordinance 2689 and prohibits medical marijuana processing sites and dispensaries, and recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers and retailers, in Lake Oswego. The city would be ineligible for distributions of state marijuana tax revenues.

Disapproval of this measure disapproves Ordinance 2689 and allows these marijuana facilities to be established in the city subject to state regulations on location and operation, and subject to the city's zoning and licensing regulations. As of the date of the referral of this measure, the city was considering adopting additional location and operation regulations that could be applied to marijuana facilities if this measure does not pass.

### **Explanatory Statement**

Approval of this measure prohibits establishing or operating the following state-licensed or state-registered marijuana facilities within the City of Lake Oswego:

- Medical Marijuana Processing Sites (compounding or converting marijuana into medical cannabinoid products, concentrates, or extracts)
- Medical Marijuana Dispensaries (facilitating the transfer of marijuana and marijuana products between patients, caregivers, processors and growers)
- Recreational Marijuana Producers (manufacturing, planting, cultivating, growing or harvesting marijuana)
- Recreational Marijuana Processors (processing, compounding or converting marijuana into cannabinoid products, concentrates, or extracts)
- Recreational Marijuana Wholesalers (purchasing marijuana items for resale to persons other than consumers)
- Recreational Marijuana Retailers (selling marijuana items to consumers)

This measure bans only the listed facilities in the city. It does not apply to the personal use, possession, or growing of recreational or medical marijuana, or medical marijuana "grow sites," as may be allowed, limited, or prohibited by state law.

The 2015 State Legislature adopted what is now ORS 475B.800, authorizing cities to enact ordinances prohibiting any of the above-listed marijuana facilities within the city. On December 1, 2015, the Lake Oswego City Council enacted Ordinance 2689 banning each of the listed facilities. As required by state law, the City Council has submitted Ordinance 2689 to city voters for approval at the November 8, 2016, general election.

A "yes" vote approves Ordinance 2689 and bans each of the listed marijuana facilities in the City of Lake Oswego. Under current law, until July 1, 2017, ten percent of state marijuana tax revenues will be distributed proportionally to cities, based

on population, to assist local law enforcement in performing duties under state marijuana laws. Beginning July 1, 2017, the distribution will be proportional based upon the number and type of recreational marijuana facility licenses within each city. Approval of this measure will make Lake Oswego ineligible for these state marijuana tax revenues under either distribution formula

A "no" vote disapproves Ordinance 2689 and allows the listed facilities in Lake Oswego if licensed or registered by the state. The City would be eligible for state marijuana tax revenues, and could also impose an additional local tax of up to three percent on sales by recreational marijuana retailers.

If this measure is disapproved, marijuana facilities in Lake Oswego would be subject to state regulations that prohibit processors, wholesalers, retailers and dispensaries in residential zones, and prohibit dispensaries and retailers within 1,000 feet of schools. The facilities would also be subject to Lake Oswego zoning and licensing requirements. As of the date this Explanatory Statement was submitted, the city was in the process of determining whether additional location and operation regulations should be adopted that would apply to marijuana facilities in the city if this measure is disapproved. The details and current status of any proposed marijuana facility regulations can be found at <a href="https://www.ci.oswego.or.us/boc.pc/lu-16-0009-marijuana-time-place-and-manner">https://www.ci.oswego.or.us/boc.pc/lu-16-0009-marijuana-time-place-and-manner</a> or by contacting the Lake Oswego Planning Department at (503) 635-0269.

Submitted by: Anne-Marie Simpson, City Recorder

# City of Lake Oswego

# Measure No. 3-491

#### **Ballot Title**

#### **Advisory Vote on a Municipal Broadband Network**

**Question:** Should the City of Lake Oswego provide a municipal fiber optic broadband network for residents and businesses?

**Summary:** The Lake Oswego City Council has considered entering into a partnership with a private company to finance, construct, and operate a high speed (gigabit per second) fiber broadband network. It would be operated on a break-even basis, with the goal to keep high speed Internet cost as low as possible for Lake Oswego residents and businesses.

Current estimates are that gigabit (1,000 megabits per second) residential Internet service could be provided for \$59.95/month. This estimate is subject to actual costs of construction and operation. There would be some financial risk to the City if an insufficient number of households use the service. To minimize this risk, the project would not proceed until enough residents sign up for service to ensure the system can be self-supporting.

This advisory vote is intended to gauge voter interest in the issue, and does not preclude any future action by the City.

## **Explanatory Statement**

With increased reliance on the Internet by households and businesses, broadband service is considered by many communities to be an essential service. The objective of a City-owned broadband utility is to make high speed Internet service available to all homes and businesses in the City, setting the monthly price at a break-even basis.

To avoid issuing bonds and adding staff, the Lake Oswego City Council has explored a public-private partnership approach, where one or more private partners would provide lease-purchase financing for the system, design and construct the network, and provide Internet service. The City would guarantee the private partner minimum lease-purchase payments. At the end of the lease-purchase period (tentatively projected to be between 20 and 30 years), the City would own the network outright.

While the City owns and operates a fiber-optic broadband network connecting City-owned buildings, providing this service to households and businesses would be a new utility service for the City. The City is considering contracting with a Lake Oswego-based startup company to operate the utility.

If customer revenues fall below the minimum lease-purchase payment amounts, the City would owe the difference to the private partner. To minimize the financial risk to the City, the project would not go forward unless customers have signed up in advance in numbers that would create subscription revenues that meet or exceed the minimum payment amounts.

As tentatively planned, the primary focus would be high speed Internet service with a price target of around \$60/month, but households that subscribe to the service could also choose (at additional cost) telephone (Voice over Internet Protocol) and digital television service. Prices for these services would be comparable to those offered by other video and phone providers. Subscribers would also have access to streaming video services such as those provided by companies like Hulu and Netflix, some of which charge for services. There would be no data caps.

The alternative to a municipal broadband utility is continuation of the current situation where Internet service is provided only

by private for-profit cable TV and telecommunication companies. Internet service prices are unregulated, and there are no requirements for universal broadband service (i.e., service made available to all homes and businesses in the city).

The results of this advisory vote will be informative for the City Council, but will not require or prohibit any future action by the City. There are numerous details that would be involved in implementing a City-owned broadband utility, including many to be negotiated as part of an agreement with a private partner. This advisory measure asks only if voters support the City pursuing a municipal broadband service under the general approach outlined in the ballot summary and this Explanatory Statement. Approval of this measure will not be considered blanket approval of all potential agreement terms or financial details. The City Council retains the responsibility to determine whether the project is in the public interest.

Submitted by: Anne-Marie Simpson, City Recorder

# **Measure No. 26-179**

Referred to the People by the City Council

#### **Ballot Title**

#### Bonds to Fund Affordable Housing.

**Question:** Shall Portland issue bonds, fund affordable housing for low income families, seniors, veterans, people with disabilities; require public oversight?

If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**Summary:** Measure would authorize \$258,400,000 in general obligation bonds for affordable housing for low income households.

Bonds will be used to build new housing, purchase, rehabilitate existing housing to maintain affordability, prevent displacement, allow residents to remain in their homes.

Housing will contain a mix of unit sizes. Some units will be accessible for low-income people with disabilities, seniors. Housing may include space to provide products and services for residents.

Affordable means rents restricted by designated household size and income level for the dwelling. Low income means a household making 60% or less of median family income; lower income thresholds for some units; flexibility for existing residents and hardship. In 2016, 60% of median family income for a family of four is \$43,980 per year.

A five-member independent oversight committee will review bond expenditures; provide annual reports.

Tax rate for this measure is estimated to be \$0.4208 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Bonds may be issued in multiple series. Annual audits required. Administrative costs cannot exceed seven percent.

## **Explanatory Statement**

Portlanders are currently experiencing increases in rent while renter household incomes continue to fall. In the last 15 years median housing costs for Portland renters have increased by 30% while median income for renters has fallen by 7%. In 2015, the average monthly rent for new rental housing was \$1.954.

This Measure would allow the City of Portland to issue up to \$258,400,000 in general obligation bonds. The money from the bonds would be used to build new affordable rental housing and to purchase existing market-rate buildings which would be converted to affordable housing for low-income households and to prevent displacement of people residing in the units. In addition, money from the bonds will be used to provide funds for capital improvements, rehabilitation and renovation of housing purchased.

Affordable housing units that are built or purchased will provide housing for low-income Portland families, seniors, veterans, and people with disabilities. Affordable housing built or purchased will contain a mix of unit sizes, including family-sized units with two or more bedrooms to house low-income families with children. Affordable housing will be built or rehabilitated to include units that are accessible to low-income people with disabilities and low-income seniors with limited mobility.

The housing will be affordable to low-income families who make 60% or less of the median family income, and will provide dedicated affordable housing for households with income

below 30% of median family income. In 2016, a family of four making 60% of the median family income would make \$43,980 per year, and a family of four making 30% of the median family income would make \$22,000 per year.

A Bond Oversight Committee will be appointed to review bond expenditures and to report annually to the Council and the public. The Measure restricts the costs associated with administering the bond to seven percent or less of the total bond funds. The Measure also requires audits regarding the use of the bond funds to ensure the use of the funds is consistent with the intent of the voters.

The City estimates that the tax rate for the bonds authorized by this Measure will not exceed \$0.4208 per \$1000 of assessed value, or approximately \$75 per year on a home with the median assessed value for a home in Portland, which is \$178,320.

Submitted by: Commissioner Dan Saltzman Portland City Council

# Measure No. 26-179 Arguments

## **Argument in Favor**

The League of Women Voters of Portland Urges a YES vote on Measure 26-179 Portland's Affordable Housing Bond

The League has long advocated for decent, safe, and affordable homes for everyone, with an emphasis on those most in need.

Families, Seniors, Veterans, and People with Disabilities Need Safe and Affordable Homes.

The League supports the measure because:

- Portland has a shortage of over 23,000 rental homes and apartments truly affordable to our lowest income individuals and families (annual incomes below \$15,400 for individuals or below \$24,300 for families of four). This bond funding is an important first step in filling the gap.
- Nearly half of the 1,300 homes created will be large enough for fami lies with children, and all of the units will be affordable to people with low and extremely low incomes, including seniors and veterans who are homeless or at risk of having no place to call home.
- Portland is experiencing a housing crisis with approximately 4,000 people living on the streets or in shelters on any given night. Spending \$75 per year for a typical single-family homeowner (based on the average assessed value of \$178,230) is a reasonable price to pay so that people in our community have a safe place to live.
- The homes created by this bond measure will be permanently affordable, serving tens of thousands community members over the life of the housing.
- Placing families and individuals quickly and permanently into affordable homes will free up space in our shelters, making shelters available for true emergencies, not longterm housing.

#### Measure 26-179 is Prudent and Accountable.

- Administrative costs are capped at seven percent.
- A five-member community oversight committee will review expenditures and report annually to the public.

The League of Women Voters of Portland Urges You to Vote YES for Affordable Homes YES on Measure 26-179

This information furnished by: League of Women Voters of Portland

## Argument in Favor

Veterans were there for us when we needed them. Now, they need us.

There are many ways to serve our community and their nation, and Portlanders do more than most. But very few actually lay their lives on the line. We owe our military veterans the same kind of commitment and support that they have given us.

I served in the Navy. My return to civilian life was a good one. But too many of my brothers and sisters in arms have not been so fortunate, often struggling once they come home.

Most sadly, we can all see some of these struggles on our streets.

According to the last snapshot of homelessness in our community, 12% were veterans – that came to more than 450 people.

One of the most frustrating parts of this: the red-hot real-estate market and skyrocketing rents mean that even when they have access to veterans' benefits, there is not enough affordable housing for homeless vets to find a place to live. And for those who struggle with medical or mental health issues, a safe, stable place to live is one of the most important elements of being able to get their life back on track

#### That is why Measure 26-179 is so important for our veterans.

The housing bond will build and rehabilitate the kind of housing Portland really needs and the market is not creating: over 1300 rental units that are permanent, safe and affordable. It will mean that over the life of the buildings built by the bond, 58,000 people who would otherwise not be able to find a place to live in our community will have a home – including the veterans to whom we owe so much.

Please join me in voting YES on Measure 26-179.

Gregg GA Griffin, Navy Petty Officer Second Class

This information furnished by: Yes for Affordable Homes

#### **Argument in Favor**

#### **Oregon Food Bank supports Measure 26-179**

Rent or food? Our clients face tough choices like this every day. In Multnomah County, Oregon Food Bank serves an average of 63,2.00 Oregonians each month, and we hear stories like the ones below every month.

"I have to pay my rent and electricity. The money goes so quickly. Sometimes it just isn't enough, so the food box helps us a lot."

"I make a list of what needs to be bought no matter what. Then I cross things off of the grocery list. I couldn't afford milk, I couldn't afford this or that – it got really difficult. It's always food I cut back on ...At some point the grocery list just got too short."

Oregon Food Bank supports Measure 26-179 because far too many of our neighbors cannot afford food and housing. Every day people tell us they need food assistance because housing costs too much or is simply not available.

Oregon Food Bank holds people experiencing hunger at the center of all we do. More and more we hear that the cost of housing drives many of our neighbors to experience hunger. Each story is unique and each shares the connection between housing and hunger.

Parents miss meals so they can put a roof over their family. Seniors' fixed incomes do not keep pace with rapidly rising rents. Working people with full-time jobs pay more than half their income in housing.

And they all turn to their local food pantry for food assistance.

As a community we cannot accept this. As a community we must do better.

Measure 26-179 will provide much-needed safe and affordable housing for Portland families. It will be an important step forward for our community to address issues of housing and hunger.

Oregon Food Bank urges you to vote yes on Measure 26-179.

Susannah Morgan, CEO Oregon Food Bank

This information furnished by: Oregon Food Bank

## Measure No. 26-180

Referred to the People by the City Council

#### **Ballot Title**

Establish Tax on Recreational Marijuana Sales; Dedicate Purposes for Funds

**Question:** Shall Portland establish 3% tax on recreational marijuana sales; fund drug, alcohol treatment; public safety; support neighborhood small businesses?

**Summary:** Measure establishes a tax of three percent on recreational marijuana sales within the City of Portland. Measure is expected to raise \$3 million per year. Sales of marijuana to medical marijuana cardholders shall not be taxed. The 2015 Legislature reduced the state tax on recreational marijuana sales from 25% to 17% effective January 1, 2017, and allowed local jurisdictions to ask for voter approval of a 3% local tax. Net proceeds from the tax will be dedicated to drug and alcohol education and treatment programs, services that increase access to these programs, and rehabilitation services; public safety investments, such as police DUII training and enforcement, firefighter paramedics, street infrastructure that improves safety; support for neighborhood small businesses, especially women-owned and minority-owned businesses; and providing economic opportunity and education to communities disproportionately impacted by cannabis prohibition. Requires independent City Budget Office oversight, annual public reporting, annual City Council vote on allocations, periodic audits on use of funds.

## **Explanatory Statement**

Measure establishes a tax of three percent on recreational marijuana sales within the City of Portland. Sales of medical marijuana to Oregon Medical Marijuana Program (OMMP) cardholders would be exempt from this tax.

In November, 2014, Oregon voters approved Measure 91, legalizing the sale and consumption of marijuana, and allowing local governments a limited scope of regulatory authority over licensed premises that grow, produce, sell, and transfer marijuana and marijuana items.

The 2015 Oregon Legislature allowed for local jurisdictions to seek voter approval for a local tax of up to three percent on recreational sales at a general election. The current state tax on recreational marijuana sales is 25%, but this will drop to 17% beginning January 1, 2017. If a three percent local tax is approved, it will result in a total tax of 20% to businesses for recreational marijuana sales.

Currently, one tenth of state tax revenues after costs are distributed to cities for enforcement of Measure 91. The City of Portland's Marijuana Policy Program was established by Council in November 2014 to oversee marijuana business licensing and compliance and address community and industry concerns, and its costs are covered by license and application fees.

In its resolution referring this ballot measure, the Portland City Council recognized that voters' approval of Measure 91 indicated a desire for the safe integration of a legitimate and regulated marijuana industry into the community that allows the industry to operate while also ensuring that public safety and livability are maintained and protected.

The funds collected from the tax on recreational marijuana sales, which are estimated to be \$3 million per year, shall be dedicated for the purposes of:

 Drug and alcohol education and treatment programs, including but not limited to services that increase access to these programs and programs that support rehabilitation and employment readiness

- Public safety investments to reduce impacts of drug and alcohol abuse such as police DUII training and enforcement, support for firefighter paramedics, street infrastructure projects that improve safety, other initiatives to reduce the impacts of drug and alcohol abuse
- Support for neighborhood small businesses, especially women-owned and minority-owned businesses, including but not limited to business incubator programs, management training, and job training opportunities; and providing economic opportunity and education to communities disproportionately-impacted by cannabis prohibition

The tax on recreational marijuana sales would be subject to independent City Budget Office oversight, annual public reporting, an annual City Council vote on allocation, and periodic audits on the use of funds by the City Auditor or an independent contractor.

Submitted by: Commissioner Amanda Fritz Portland City Council

# Measure No. 26-180 Arguments

## **Argument in Favor**

YES ON 26-180:

**LOWER OVERALL RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA TAX** 

DEDICATED FUNDS FOR DRUG/ALCOHOL EDUCATION & TREATMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY, & NEIGHBORHOOD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

In 2014, Portlanders passed Measure 91 with over 70% voting in favor of legalizing, regulating, and taxing recreational marijuana. Since then, the City Council has affirmed that the marijuana industry is welcome in Portland, with careful regulation. We've partnered with community and industry leaders to ensure the safety and livability of our neighborhoods through a balanced approach to supporting positive cannabis business development.

Measure 26-180 fits into Portland's reasonable accommodation of recreational marijuana.

The state's recreational cannabis tax is currently 25%. Next year, the state tax lowers to 17%, and the Legislature allows cities or counties to add a small 3% local tax if approved by voters

Medical marijuana is not currently taxed and will not be taxed under Measure 26-180.

The total 20% tax will still result in recreational products costing less than today, and Portland will have additional resources for services like public safety and neighborhood economic development.

Colorado's tax is 27% and Washington's is 35%. So if Portland voters approve Measure 26-180, we will still have the cheapest and (I'm told) best recreational marijuana in the country.

Funds from the local tax will be dedicated to good uses that the people of Portland support. The estimated \$3 million in annual revenue will go into a special fund that can only be used for:

- Drug and alcohol education and treatment programs, including services that increase access to these programs, and rehabilitation services;
- Public safety investments, such as police DUII training and enforcement, firefighter paramedics, and street infrastructure that improves safety:
- Support for neighborhood small businesses, especially women-owned and minority-owned businesses;
- Economic opportunity and education for communities disproportionately impacted by cannabis prohibition.

I appreciate your consideration of Measure 26-180.
I ask you to join me in voting YES.

Commissioner Amanda Fritz

This information furnished by: Amanda Fritz



# The Alternate Format Ballot (AFB)

AFB is a voting tool which allows a voter with disabilities to vote privately and independently.

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Email your request to: vap@co.washington.or.us

or

Visit the Elections website at: www.co.washington.or.us/elections

# Measure No. 34-258

Referred to the Voters by the City Council

#### **Ballot Title**

#### **Revision to Sherwood Charter Regarding City Budget**

**Question:** Shall the charter be amended to remove the word "annual" in reference to the City budget?

**Summary:** This measure was referred to the voters by the City Council. It amends Sections 33(e)(6) and 37 of the charter by removing the word "annual" in reference to the City budget, in order to allow the City additional flexibility in the future such as moving to a biannual budget process. If approved, it would take effect January 1, 2017.

Section 33(e)(6) would read as follows:

Prepare and administer the city budget;

The first sentence of Section 37 would read as follows:

The council must authorize the compensation of City appointive officers and employees as part of its approval of the city budget.

## **Explanatory Statement**

The Oregon Constitution gives city voters the right to adopt, amend, and revise the City Charter. The Sherwood City Council met several times in open public meetings to discuss a number of possible amendments to the City Charter, and determined to refer this measure proposing a charter amendment to the voters.

This measure would amend Sections 33(e)(6) and 37 of the City Charter by removing the word "annual" in reference to the City budget, in order to allow the City additional flexibility in the future such as moving to a biannual budget process.

Section 33(e) would read in its entirety (with removed language shown in strikethrough):

- (e) The manager must:
- (1) Attend all council meetings unless excused by the mayor or council;
- (2) Make reports and recommendations to the mayor and council about the needs of the city;
- (3) Administer and enforce all city ordinances, resolutions, franchises, leases, contracts, permits, and other city decisions;
- (4) Appoint, supervise and remove city employees;
- (5) Organize city departments and administrative structure;
- (6) Prepare and administer the annual city budget;
- (7) Administer city utilities and property;
- (8) Encourage and support regional and intergovernmental cooperation;
- (9) Promote cooperation among the council, staff and citizens in developing city policies, and building a sense of community;
- (10) Perform other duties as directed by the council;
- (11) Delegate duties, but remain responsible for acts of all subordinates.

The first sentence of Section 37 would read (with removed language shown in strikethrough):

The council must authorize the compensation of City appointive officers and employees as part of its approval of the annual-city budget.

If approved by voters, this measure would take effect January 1, 2017.

Submitted by:

Sylvia Murphy, City Recorder/Elections Official

No Arguments in Favor or Opposition of this measure were filed.

# City of Sherwood

# Measure No. 34-259

Referred to the Voters by the City Council

#### **Ballot Title**

# Revision to Sherwood Charter Regarding City Recorder Reporting Structure

**Question:** Shall the charter be amended such that the City Recorder reports to the City Manager?

**Summary:** This measure was referred to the voters by the City Council. It amends Section 34 of the charter such that the City Recorder would report to the City Manager, rather than reporting to the City Council as is the case with the current charter language. If approved, it would take effect January 1, 2017.

Section 34 would read as follows:

- (a) The office of city recorder is established as the council clerk, city custodian of records and city elections official. The recorder must attend all council meetings unless excused by the City Manager.
- (b) The City Manager must appoint and may remove the recorder. The appointment must be made without regard to political considerations and solely on the basis of education and experience.
- (c) When the recorder is temporarily disabled from acting as recorder or when the office becomes vacant, the City Manager must appoint a recorder pro tem. The recorder pro tem has the authority and duties of the recorder.

## **Explanatory Statement**

The Oregon Constitution gives city voters the right to adopt, amend, and revise the City Charter. The Sherwood City Council met several times in open public meetings to discuss a number of possible amendments to the City Charter, and determined to refer this measure proposing a charter amendment to the voters.

This measure would amend Section 34 of the City Charter such that the City Recorder would report to the City Manager, rather than reporting to the City Council as is the case with the current charter language. In considering this amendment, the City Council reviewed the City Recorder reporting structure in other area cities and found that, in most cases, the City Recorder reports to the City Manager.

Section 34 would read in its entirety (with added language shown in <u>underline</u> and removed language shown in <u>strikethrough</u>):

- (a) The office of city recorder is established as the council clerk, city custodian of records and city elections official. The recorder must attend all council meetings unless excused by the mayor or council City Manager.
- (b) A majority of the council The City Manager must appoint and may remove the recorder. The appointment must be made without regard to political considerations and solely on the basis of education and experience.
- (c) When the recorder is temporarily disabled from acting as recorder or when the office becomes vacant, the council <u>City Manager</u> must appoint a recorder pro tem. The recorder pro tem has the authority and duties of the recorder.

If approved by voters, this measure would take effect January 1, 2017.

Submitted by:

Sylvia Murphy, City Recorder/Elections Official

# Measure No. 34-260

Referred to the Voters by the City Council

#### **Ballot Title**

Revision to Sherwood Charter Regarding Mayor and City Council Compensation

**Question:** Shall the charter be amended to allow specified compensation for the Mayor and City Council?

**Summary:** Referred to voters by City Council. Effective January 1, 2017, amends charter to allow specified compensation for Mayor and Council.

Section 37, excluding the first sentence of that section, which is the subject of a separate ballot measure and is not affected by this measure, would read:

The mayor and councilors may be reimbursed for actual and reasonable expenses, and additionally the mayor may be compensated in the amount of five-hundred dollars (\$500) per month and the members of the council may each be compensated in the amount of two-hundred fifty dollars (\$250) per month, beginning January 2017, such amounts to thereafter be automatically adjusted annually effective January of each year, beginning January 2018, by the same percentage as the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics CPI-W West Index percentage figure for the prior calendar year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the position of mayor and the council positions elected in November 2016 shall be eligible to receive compensation under this section beginning January 2017, and the remaining council positions shall be eligible beginning January 2019.

**Explanatory Statement** 

The Oregon Constitution gives city voters the right to adopt, amend, and revise the City Charter. The Sherwood City Council met several times in open public meetings to discuss a number of possible amendments to the City Charter, and determined to refer this measure proposing a charter amendment to the voters.

This measure would amend part of Section 37 of the City Charter to allow specified compensation to be paid to the Mayor and City Council. The compensation amounts would be indexed to inflation. The Mayor and those City Council positions elected in the November 2016 elections would be eligible to receive the compensation beginning in January 2017, and the remaining City Council positions would become eligible in January 2019, after being elected at the November 2018 elections.

In considering this amendment, the City Council reviewed the issue of compensation for the mayor and city council in other area cities and found that, in most cases, some level of compensation was made available. In those cities where compensation was available, the amounts reviewed by the City Council varied widely, ranging from fifty dollars (\$50) per month for councilors up to over one-hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$175,000) per year for a full-time mayor. In many cases, the mayor received a higher level of compensation than councilors, which the Sherwood City Council determined was appropriate based on the additional duties of the mayor's position.

Section 37, excluding the first sentence of that section, which is the subject of a separate ballot measure and is not affected by this measure, would read (with added language shown in <u>underline</u> and removed language shown in <u>strikethrough</u>):

The mayor and councilors shall not be compensated butmay be reimbursed for actual and reasonable expenses, and additionally the mayor may be compensated in the amount of five-hundred dollars (\$500) per month and the members of the council may each be compensated in the amount of two-

hundred fifty dollars (\$250) per month, beginning January 2017, such amounts to thereafter be automatically adjusted annually effective January of each year, beginning January 2018, by the same percentage as the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics CPI-W West Index percentage figure for the prior calendar year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the position of mayor and the council positions elected in November 2016 shall be eligible to receive compensation under this section beginning January 2017, and the remaining council positions shall be eligible beginning January 2019.

If approved by voters, this measure would take effect January 1, 2017.

Submitted by: Sylvia Murphy, City Recorder/Elections Official

# **Measure No. 34-261**

Referred to the Voters by the City Council

#### **Ballot Title**

Revision to Sherwood Charter Regarding Mayor's Term of Office

**Question:** Shall the charter be amended to change the Mayor's term of office from two years to four?

**Summary:** This measure was referred to the voters by the City Council. It amends Section 25 of the charter such that the Mayor's term of office would be changed from two years to four. If approved, it would take effect January 1, 2017, which means that the person elected Mayor in the November 2016 elections would serve a four-year term commencing in January 2017.

Section 25 would read in its entirety as follows:

At every other general election, beginning with the 2016 general election, a mayor will be elected for a four-year term. The mayor elected in the 2016 general election shall serve a four-year term commencing in accordance with Section 29 of this charter.

## **Explanatory Statement**

The Oregon Constitution gives city voters the right to adopt, amend, and revise the City Charter. The Sherwood City Council met several times in open public meetings to discuss a number of possible amendments to the City Charter, and determined to refer this measure proposing a charter amendment to the voters.

This measure would amend Section 25 of the City Charter such that the Mayor's term of office would be changed from two years to four. In considering this amendment, the City Council reviewed the mayor's term of office in other area cities and found that, in most cases, the term was four years.

Section 25 would read in its entirety (with added language shown in <u>underline</u> and removed language shown in <u>strikethrough</u>):

At each every other general election, beginning with the 2016 general election, a mayor will be elected for a twofour-year term. The mayor elected in the 2016 general election shall serve a four-year term commencing in accordance with Section 29 of this charter.

If approved by voters, this measure would take effect January 1, 2017, which means that the person elected Mayor in the November 2016 elections would serve a four-year term commencing in January 2017.

Submitted by:

Sylvia Murphy, City Recorder/Elections Official

# **Measure No. 34-262**

Referred to the Voters by the City Council

#### **Ballot Title**

Revision to Sherwood Charter Regarding Ordinance Adoption

**Question:** Shall the charter section governing the process of ordinance adoption be revised?

**Summary:** Referred by City Council. Effective January 1, 2017, amends Section 16(a) to read:

(a) Except as this provision provides otherwise, adoption of an ordinance requires reading of the proposed ordinance by title at two separate meetings separated by at least six days, and approval by a majority of council, which approval may occur at the meeting at which the second reading is conducted or a subsequent meeting.

(1) The text of the proposed ordinance shall be posted and available to the public on the City's website at least six days in advance of each meeting at which the ordinance will be read or considered pursuant to this section.

(2) At each meeting that the ordinance is read or considered pursuant to this section, the title of the ordinance shall be read and public comments shall be accepted, prior to any vote of the council on adoption.

(3) An ordinance may be adopted at a single meeting of the council by unanimous vote of all sitting councilors on the question upon being read by title twice.

## **Explanatory Statement**

The Oregon Constitution gives city voters the right to adopt, amend, and revise the City Charter. The Sherwood City Council met several times in open public meetings to discuss a number of possible amendments to the City Charter, and determined to refer this measure proposing a charter amendment to the voters.

This measure would amend Section 16(a) of the City Charter to provide that proposed ordinances shall be posted to the City's website and that, generally, adopting an ordinance requires readings at two separate meetings, but a single vote. It would also remove language from Section 16(a) that Council determined is redundant with Section 16(b).

Section 16(a) would read in its entirety (with added language shown in <u>underline</u> and removed language shown in <u>strikethrough</u>):

(a) Except as this provision provides otherwise, adoption of an ordinance requires approval by a majority of the council reading of the proposed ordinance by title at two separate meetings separated by at least six days, and approval by a majority of council, which approval may occur at the meeting at which the second reading is conducted or a subsequent meeting.

(1) The text of the proposed ordinance shall be posted and available to the public on the City's website at least six days in advance of the each meeting at which the ordinance will be read or considered pursuant to this section, and any amendment to the text as posted shall be read in full.

(2) At each meeting that the ordinance is <u>read or</u> considered <u>pursuant to this section</u>, the title of the ordinance shall be read and public comments shall be accepted, prior to <u>the any</u> vote of the council <u>on adoption</u>.
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(3) An ordinance may be adopted at a single meeting of the council by unanimous vote of all sitting councilors on the question upon being read by title twice.

For context, Section 16(b), which is not affected by this measure, reads:

(b) Any substantive amendment to a proposed ordinance must be read aloud or made available in writing to the public before the council adopts the ordinance at that meeting.

If approved by voters, this measure would take effect January 1, 2017.

Submitted by:

Sylvia Murphy, City Recorder/Elections Official

## Measure No. 34-263

Referred to the Voters by the City Council

#### **Ballot Title**

City Tax on Marijuana Retailers' Sales of Recreational Marijuana Items

**Question:** Shall Sherwood impose a three percent tax on sales of recreational marijuana items by recreational marijuana retailers in the city?

**Summary:** Under state law, a city council may adopt an ordinance to be referred to the voters of the city imposing up to a three percent tax on the sale of recreational marijuana items in the city by licensed recreational marijuana retailers. The Sherwood City Council adopted such an ordinance and referred it to this election.

Approval of this measure would impose a three percent tax on the sale of recreational marijuana items in the city by licensed recreational marijuana retailers. The tax would be collected at the point of sale and remitted by the retailers.

Under state law, a city that prohibits the establishment of one or more types of marijuana facilities in the city may not impose a local tax on the sale of recreational marijuana items. A separate measure on this ballot would prohibit the establishment of certain recreational marijuana facilities in Sherwood. This local tax measure would therefore become operative only if it is approved by voters and the measure prohibiting certain recreational marijuana facilities is not approved.

## **Explanatory Statement**

Approval of this measure would impose a three percent tax on the sale of recreational marijuana items by recreational marijuana retailers within the City of Sherwood. The tax would be collected at the point of sale and remitted by the retailers. There are no restrictions on how the city may use the revenues generated by this tax.

Under Measure 91, adopted by Oregon voters in November 2014, the Oregon Liquor Control Commission must license the retail sale of recreational marijuana. The Oregon Legislature subsequently provided that a city council may adopt an ordinance imposing up to a three percent tax on the sale of recreational marijuana items (which include marijuana concentrates, extracts, edibles, and other products intended for human consumption and use) by licensed recreational marijuana retailers in the city, but the city council must refer that ordinance to the city's voters at a statewide general election. The Sherwood City Council adopted an ordinance imposing a three percent tax on the sale of recreational marijuana items by licensed recreational marijuana retailers in the city and, as a result, has referred this measure to the voters.

Under state law, a city that prohibits the establishment of one or more types of marijuana facilities in the city may not impose a local tax on the sale of recreational marijuana items. A separate measure on this ballot would prohibit the establishment of certain recreational marijuana facilities in Sherwood. This local tax measure would therefore become operative only if it is approved by voters and the measure prohibiting certain recreational marijuana facilities is not approved.

Submitted by:

Sylvia Murphy, City Recorder/Elections Official



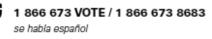
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# Measure No. 34-264

Referred to the Voters by the City Council

#### **Ballot Title**

Prohibits Certain Recreational Marijuana Facilities in Sherwood

**Question:** Shall recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers be prohibited in Sherwood?

Summary: State law allows operation of licensed recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers. State law also provides that a city council may adopt an ordinance to be referred to the city's voters to prohibit the establishment of one or more of those categories of facilities within the city's boundaries. The Sherwood City Council adopted such an ordinance and referred it to this election.

Approval of this measure would prohibit the establishment and operation of recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers within the city. Medical marijuana facilities would not be affected.

If this measure is approved, the city will be ineligible to receive distributions of state marijuana tax revenue and will be unable to impose a local tax or fee on the sale of recreational marijuana items by recreational marijuana retailers. A separate measure on this ballot would impose such a local tax. If this measure prohibiting recreational marijuana facilities is approved by voters, the local tax measure will therefore have no effect even if it is also approved.

## **Explanatory Statement**

Approval of this measure would prohibit the establishment and operation of certain recreational marijuana facilities within the City of Sherwood.

Measure 91, approved by Oregon voters in 2014, provides that the Oregon Liquor Control Commission will license recreational marijuana producers (those who manufacture, plant, cultivate, grow, or harvest marijuana), processors, wholesalers, and retailers. State law also provides that a city council may adopt an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of one or more of those categories of facilities within the city, but the council must refer the ordinance to the city's voters at a statewide general election. The Sherwood City Council has adopted an ordinance prohibiting the establishment and operation of recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers within the city and, as a result, has referred this measure to the voters.

If approved, this measure would prohibit recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers within the city. Medical marijuana facilities would not be affected by this measure.

Approval of this measure has revenue impacts. Currently, ten percent of state marijuana tax revenues will be distributed to cities to assist local law enforcement in performing their duties under Measure 91. If approved, this measure would make the city ineligible to receive those distributions of state marijuana tax revenues.

Additionally, state law provides that a city may impose up to a three percent local tax on the sale of recreational marijuana items by licensed recreational marijuana retailers in the city. However, state law also provides that a city that prohibits the establishment of recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, or retailers may not impose such a local tax. A separate measure on this ballot would impose a local tax on sales of recreational marijuana items by licensed recreational

marijuana retailers. If this measure prohibiting certain recreational marijuana facilities is approved by voters, the local tax measure will have no effect even if it is also approved.

Submitted by: Sylvia Murphy, City Recorder/Elections Official

## Measure No. 34-255

#### **Ballot Title**

Allow City to Support Extending Light Rail Service to Tigard.

**Question:** Shall Tigard enact an ordinance allowing City support for extending MAX light rail service to Tigard, including downtown Tigard?

**Summary:** Tigard's Charter requires the City to oppose proposed MAX light rail service to Tigard ("Project") without voter approval. A yes vote approves the authorization ordinance, satisfies Charter allowing City support for Project, including service to downtown Tigard, and land use amendments. A no vote maintains Charter's opposition.

City land use regulations would be amended to allow light rail maintenance yards in specified industrial zones and allow light rail to cross wetlands with proper mitigation. No housing density increase is proposed to accommodate the Project.

The estimated \$2.4-2.8 billion Project would only be built if federal grants and regional funding are secured. This ordinance does not impose or increase any fees or taxes.

No traffic lanes or contiguous properties on Pacific Highway in Tigard are impacted. Project includes sidewalk, bicycle, and road improvements in Tigard.

The total amount of road capacity on existing roadways along the route is reduced by 0.03%; unused public right-of-way is reduced by 5 acres.

See www.tigard-or.gov/swc for authorization ordinance and details on Project.

## **Explanatory Statement**

This measure asks voters to allow the City of Tigard to support a proposed extension of light rail service to Tigard, including downtown Tigard. It is necessary because Tigard's Charter requires the City to oppose high capacity transit service, such as light rail, to Tigard, unless Tigard voters approve a measure to support the service.

A yes vote approves an authorization ordinance, allowing the City to support the light rail extension to Tigard. If the measure is rejected, the City will continue to oppose light rail service to Tigard.

The ordinance does not authorize the use of City of Tigard funds to pay for the project, nor does impose or increase any fees or taxes. The City Charter requires that a separate vote be held if any City of Tigard taxes or fees are proposed for light rail construction. The estimated \$2.4-2.8 billion project would only be built if federal grants and state or regional funding are secured.

No housing density increase is necessary or proposed to accommodate light rail. Approval of the ordinance permits the City to amend two specific land use regulations to accommodate light rail siting, but the City would still have to follow its regular procedures to accomplish the amendments. If approved, the City could amend the zoning code to allow a light rail storage yard/ maintenance facility in certain specified industrial zones. It could also amend its wetland regulations to permit light rail crossings and describe the mitigation measures that would be required to maintain the environmental integrity of the area. No other changes to land use regulations to site light rail would be allowed without further voter approval.

No traffic lanes or properties on Pacific Highway in Tigard would be impacted by extension of MAX light rail service to

Tigard. The total amount of road capacity within five miles of the city is estimated to be reduced by three one-hundredths of one percent (0.03%); unused public right-of-way is estimated to be reduced by 5 acres. The light rail project includes sidewalk, bicycle, and road improvements in Tigard.

See www.tigard-or.gov/swc for authorization ordinance and details on the MAX light rail project.

Submitted by: Marty Wine, City Manager City of Tigard

# Measure No. 34-255 Arguments

## **Argument in Favor**

Tigard Chamber says vote YES on Measure 34-255

A YES vote on Measure 34-255 will allow the City to support extending light rail service to Tigard. It enables us to participate in ongoing conversations and solutions to manage transit and congestion within and through Tigard and the SW Corridor. A YES vote does not increase taxes or fees, a vote would be required in the future for any tax increase.

With over 20,000 Tigard residents commuting out for work daily and over 40,000 employees commuting into Tigard businesses for work daily, **Tigard needs additional transit options.** 

Efficient transportation is the lifeblood of commerce. Without it, Tigard will be left behind economically. 35-40% growth is projected in the SW Corridor through 2035. Access to transportation needs to increase with this growth to ensure a healthy business economy. Tigard businesses are having to add more trucks and vans to meet delivery time frames with increasing congestion. Multi-modal options are necessary to reduce overall traffic congestion.

Reduce congestion and plan for growth. Tigard is geographically positioned as a transportation and business hub in the metro area, trisected by 15, 99W and 217. More people live in and conduct business in Tigard than ever before, causing significant traffic congestion. Understandably, residents cite congestion as their number one area of concern associated with growth\*.

This is not the time to force the City of Tigard to step away from discussions about road improvements and light rail. Doing so would destroy the city's ability to plan strategically for inevitable population increases and leave Tigard behind economically.

**Light Rail is good for business.** We have seen with the expansion of light rail service in other metro areas, businesses and development have sprung up along them, improving the local economy and providing jobs.

Vote YES on Measure 34-255. Let's continue the conversation on Light Rail in Tigard.

**Tigard Chamber of Commerce** 

\*2015 Tigard Community Attitudes Survey

This information furnished by: Tigard Chamber of Commerce

## **Argument in Favor**

A yes vote on Measure 34-255 won't raise taxes or fees

MEASURE 34-255 WOULD SIMPLY ALLOW THE TIGARD CITY COUNCIL TO SUPPORT LIGHT RAIL

This is NOT a funding measure, so a YES vote on Measure 34-255 will not increase taxes or fees for Tigard residents.

If this Measure passes, the Tigard City Council will be allowed to participate in planning for a potential MAX Light Rail project that would create jobs and help local business by connecting Tigard to the rest of the region.

No new taxes or fees for Tigard and:

 Any future local funding for an extension of MAX Light Rail to Tigard must be voted on by the people of Tigard.

- Half of the funding for a MAX Light Rail line to Tigard will come from Federal government. The remainder comes from regional partners.
- A new light rail line to Tigard means we can address traffic congestion and help local business.

Endorsed by:

John Cook, Current Tigard Mayor

Marland Henderson, Tigard City Councilor

Former Mayor Craig Dirksen

Jason Rogers-Former Parks and Recreation Board Chair Representative Margaret Doherty

Kate Mohr, Former Chair, Tigard Chamber of Commerce

Father John Henderson

Ryan Gilyeat, Oregon Restoration Co

Bret Swopes, Manning's Automotive

Kathryn Merrill

Michael Stevenson, B&B Printing

Thomas J Murphy

Jason Snider, Tigard City Councilor

Marc Woodard Tigard City Councilor

Former Tigard Mayor John E. Cook Metro Councilor Bob Stacey

Flise Shearer

Sherrie Devaney, Sherrie's Jewelry Box

Evelyn T Murphy

Sheila Greenlaw-Fink

This information furnished by: Yes for Tigard

## **Argument in Favor**

Vote Yes on Measure 34-255

#### **COMMUTERS VOTE YES**

Traffic congestion is the biggest problem facing our community. As our region continues to grow the problem is only going to get worse. Extending MAX Light Rail to Tigard will help address traffic congestion ensuring that Tigard commuters are able to get between home and work.

Vote YES on Measure 34-255 to allow the City of Tigard to participate in the planning to possibly bring Max Light Rail to Tigard.

"When the commute between my home in Tigard and my office in the Lloyd District became too burdensome, I decided to take my retirement. If I had a less cumbersome way to make it between work and home I could still be working today. I know I'm not the only one who left the workforce because traffic congestion made it too difficult to commute. Extending MAX Light Rail will connect Tigard to the many employers in the region, and help address the traffic congestion that took me out of work prematurely." -Sue Christenson - Retired Tigard Resident

The MAX Light Rail extension:

- Increases livability in Tigard
- Will not reduce lanes on 99W/Paclfic Highway
- Doesn't reduce lane capacity in Tigard
- Connects Tigard to the larger region where many Tigard residents commute

Tigard commuters can't live with more of the same. We need to address our traffic congestion problem. Vote YES on 34-255 to give Tigard a voice in the regional transportation planning process.

We endorse Measure 34-255!

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John Cook, current Tigard Mayor
Former Tigard Mayor John E. Cook
Pat Biggs, Former Tigard School Board Member
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Evelyn T Murphy
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Former Mayor Craig Dirksen
Jason Rogers-Former Parks and Recreation Board Chair
Sheila Greenlaw-Fink
Betty Nelson
Elise Shearer
Jackie Dirksen
Thomas J Murphy

#### **CONNECT US! WE WANT LIGHT RAIL!**

This information furnished by: Yes for Tigard

## **Argument in Favor**

#### YES FOR TIGARD BUSINESSES! YES ON MEASURE 34-255

Tigard is a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family. Let's keep it that way!

A MAX light rail line extended to Tigard would bring customers to our businesses and more jobs to our community. It can be a huge boost to our local economy.

#### Light Rail is critical to Tigard's future success

As the region continues to grow, traffic congestion will make it even more difficult for Tigard residents to get around. It's already extremely difficult for many of us to get to school, work, and church.

We believe support for light rail by the Tigard City Council will help bring MAX light rail to our city, making it easier for local businesses to grow and thrive.

We support MAX light rail because it will connect Tigard to the larger metro region, create jobs, and help our local businesses succeed. That's good for all of us.

We encourage a YES vote on Measure 34-255:

Kate Mohr, Former Chair, Tigard Chamber of Commerce Sherrie Devaney, Sherrie's Jewelry Box Becki Bosley, Summer Creek, LLC Steve DeAngelo, DeAngelo's Catering & Events John Cook, Current Tigard Mayor Marland Henderson, Tigard City Councilor Chris Middaugh Jackie Dirksen Ryan Gilyeat, Oregon Restoration Co Bret Swopes, Manning's Automotive Former Mayor Craig Dirksen Jason Snider, Tigard City Councilor Kevin Watkins Thomas J Murphy

This information furnished by: Yes for Tigard

## Argument in Favor

#### **OUR VOICE, OUR CHOICE**

In 2014 we saw the first ballot measure addressing high capacity transit in Tigard. That measure was confusing and left many Tigard voters unsure of what their votes meant.

Measure 34-255 is a clear and concise measure that lets Tigard voters have their voice heard. A Yes vote allows Tigard to participate in the planning of a proposed MAX Light Rail extension.

Unlike the 2014 measure, Measure 34-255 is clear and straightforward. As simple yes or no question: Should the City be allowed to participate in the planning to bring light rail service to Tigard?

By voting YES we're making our voices heard loud and clear. We want to address our growing traffic congestion problems. We want to provide Tigard residents with robust transportation choices. We want to participate in the planning of the MAX Light Rail Extension.

VOTE YES ON MEASURE 34-255! YES for light rail. It's our voice, our choice. YES for Tigard!

#### Endorsed by:

Marc Woodard Tigard City Councilor
Former Mayor Craig Dirksen
Craig Prosser, former Tigard City Manager
Pat Biggs, Former Tigard School Board Member
Representative Margaret Doherty
Barbara M. Cumbo
Elise Shearer
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Nick Wilson, former Tigard City Councilor
Kate Mohr, Acceleration Sports Medicine
Thomas J Murphy
Betty Nelson

John Cook, Current Tigard Mayor

This information furnished by: Yes for Tigard

Jackie Dirksen

## **Argument in Favor**

#### **VOTE YES ON 34-255**

#### REDUCE TRAFFIC CONGESTION, GIVE US OPTIONS

For years we have seen traffic congestion get worse. The negative impacts to livability in Tigard are easily apparent. From commutes growing longer to gridlock keeping people from enjoying our city to the fullest, we can't let this problem go on unchecked. We need real options for addressing traffic congestion.

Measure 34-255 allows Tigard to participate in the larger regional conversation about how to address traffic congestion. Allowing an extension of MAX Light Rail to Tigard would increase transportation choices for Tigard residents. Drive, Bus, Bike, Walk, Rail...we don't currently have all of these options open to us and it is a factor in our growing traffic congestion issue. Let's give people the option to get off the roads.

"I've watched as traffic congestion has gotten worse and worse. Our community and our region are growing and this measure

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gives us an opportunity to address the traffic congestion that comes from that growth. Measure 34-255 lets us, the people of Tigard, have our voices heard on this issue. We want something to be done. We want Tigard to be at the table for the regional light rail conversation!" -Elise Shearer, Tigard Resident

Measure 34-255 gives the people of Tigard clear options. Vote YES to allow the City to participate in the planning of a regional light rail expansion that will come to Tigard.

MEASURE 34-255 WON'T REDUCE LANES ON 99W/PACIFIC HWY IN TIGARD. Traffic engineers can attest, light rail is better than Bus Rapid Transit and better than expanding highway lanes. MAX Light Rail is the best option for addressing the growing problem of traffic congestion.

#### Endorsed by:

Steve DeAngelo, DeAngelo's Catering & Events Bret Swopes, Manning's Automotive Sherrie Devaney, Sherrie's Jewelry Box Chris Middaugh Tualatin Riverkeepers Ryan Gilyeat, Oregon Restoration Co Becki Bosley, Summer Creek LLC OLCV 1000 Friends of Oregon

This information furnished by: Yes for Tigard

## **Argument in Favor**

Measure 34-255
Will of the Voters

Tigard City Council unanimously referred Measure 34-255 to the voters because we believe the people of Tigard deserve a say in how we address traffic congestion. This has been a transparent and open process, which has fully complied with the Tigard City Charter. Tigard voters now have an opportunity to have their voices heard.

Measure 34-255 puts a clear and concise choice into the public's hands:

A YES vote will allow the City of Tigard to participate in the planning to possibly bring MAX Light Rail to Tigard.

The people of Tigard want to address our growing traffic congestion problem. They want to see the extension of MAX Light Rail into our city. <u>But overall they want to ensure they have the opportunity to be heard.</u>

Measure 34-255 presents us with that opportunity, and we should vote YES for 34-255, Yes for Tigard!

#### Endorsed by:

John Cook, Current Tigard Mayor Marland Henderson, Tigard City Councilor Marc Woodard Tigard City Councilor Nick Wilson, former Tigard City Councilor Betty Nelson Elise Shearer Gary L. Jelinek Kathryn Merrill

Thomas J Murphy Jason Snider, Tigard City Councilor Former Tigard Mayor John E. Cook

Jan Brady Founding Member Citizen's Coalition for Social Justice

This information furnished by: Yes for Tigard

#### **Argument in Favor**

Vote YES on Measure 34-255 Seniors in Tigard need Light Rail

In order to get around town and around the region for things like doctors appointments, seniors in Tigard must drive or take the bus. Neither are great alternatives given how bad traffic congestion has become.

"Elderly people can't drive everywhere, and the bus doesn't get me around the region without spending hours of extra time. Let's act in good faith for the people who need alternative transportation. Vote yes to allow City of Tigard to support light rail." -Pat Biggs, 2007 Tigard First Citizen

"Congestion can take people out of the workforce prematurely. I had to retire when my commute became too long. If we had light rail in Tigard, I could have kept working and not have to dip into my savings as soon." -Sue Christenson, Tigard resident

Those on fixed incomes can spend an amazing amount of their income on transportation. MAX Light Rail creates more opportunities for connectivity, which then creates more opportunities for our community. That's why we support extending MAX Light Rail to Tigard.

VOTE YES ON MEASURE 34-255

Extending MAX Light Rail to Tigard means:

- · Seniors can get around safely and efficiently
- Alternative transportation is available for those who need it
- People on fixed incomes can better afford to get around the region

#### Endorsed by:

John Cook, current Tigard Mayor Marland Henderson, Tigard City Councilor Jason Snider, Tigard City Councilor Marc Woodard Tigard City Councilor

Jan Brady Founding Member Citizen's Coalition for Social Justice

Craig Prosser, former Tigard City Manager Representative Margaret Doherty

Father John Henderson

Betty Nelson

Evelyn T Murphy, Registered Nurse, Community

Ralph G. Hughes - Past President - Tigard Chamber of Commerce Thomas J Murphy

Elise C. Shearer, private citizen

Kathryn Merrill

Sheila Greenlaw-Fink

This information furnished by: Yes for Tigard

## **Argument in Favor**

#### **YES FOR TIGARD**

Oregonians care about the environment. It's an important part of who we are.

Measure 34-255 has earned our support because it's good for Tigard AND good for the environment.

There are a number of key wetland areas around Tigard which provide habitat for birds and other wildlife. They also provide flood protection and help clean the water. Measure 34-255 will

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allow the City of Tigard to participate in the planning process. This ensures Tigard residents have a say in protecting local wetlands.

Vehicle emissions are a major contributor to global climate change. A MAX Light Rail project can better connect Tigard to the rest of the region, meaning fewer cars on our roads.

We urge a YES vote on Measure 34-255 so the residents of Tigard can continue to do our part for a cleaner environment.

#### YES FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT

#### Endorsed by:

Oregon League of Conservation Voters 1000 Friends of Oregon Marc Woodard Tigard City Councilor Metro Councilor Bob Stacey Tualatin Riverkeepers Oregon Walks Gary L. Jelinek

This information furnished by: Yes for Tigard

# **Argument in Favor**

Vote Yes on Measure 34-255

Measure 34-255 allows the City of Tigard to address traffic congestion by supporting MAX Light Rail. Less traffic congestion means we can spend less time in our cars. That's good for all of us and for the environment.

A YES vote on Measure 34-255 will allow the City of Tigard to participate in the planning to possibly bring MAX Light Rail to Tigard.

If light rail is extended to Tigard:

- We'll be able to address traffic congestion, making it easier for all of us to get around
- Local businesses will see more customers, helping to grow our local economy
- New light rail will come with road improvements, which will make it easier for cars and trucks to move through the region. This includes helping move freight, which is important for local jobs and business

Light rail will be a huge boost to local businesses and job creation. It's time for our city to connect to the rest of the region, and keep Tigard a great place to live!

Endorsed by:

John Cook, current Tigard Mayor
Marland Henderson, Tigard City Councilor
Representative Margaret Doherty
Oregon Walks
Steve DeAngelo, DeAngelo's Catering & Events
Bret Swopes, Manning's Automotive
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Jan Brady Founding Member Citizen's Coalition for Social Justice
Betty Nelson

This information furnished by: Yes for Tigard

## **Argument in Opposition**

Light rail in Tigard would be a disaster.

Light rail does not relieve traffic congestion. It actually **increases** congestion by reducing road space and cannibalizing existing bus service.

The evidence is on TriMet's own website. In 2000, when there was only one light rail line (Blue), TriMet buses provided 22.95 million miles of service.

By 2015, **TriMet bus service had dropped to 20.13 million** miles (a 12% reduction), due to the construction of four more light rail lines.

Improved bus service is cheaper and more flexible. Buses can be re-routed instantaneously and service made available to all parts of the region. Light rail serves only a few stops in narrow corridors.

Light rail stations are always followed by high-density housing projects with parking shortages.

This causes nearby property values to decline.

The crime associated with light rail in Gresham was so severe that Fred Meyer closed its Rockwood store in 2003, and the Gresham Mayor promised to put his own police force on the trains if TriMet did not improve security.

The proposed Tigard-Tualatin light rail project would cost at least \$240 million per mile to construct — the most expensive transit project in state history. Tigard will be required to fund part of that price tag, and increased taxes will be the result. This is what happened to the City of Milwaukie and Clackamas County when Metro forced through the Orange line.

Light rail is a failed technology. Private investors are bringing us unsubsidized, door-to-door car-sharing services such as Uber and Lyft. Communities such as Wilsonville and Sandy have opted out of Tri-Met altogether and are providing better, cheaper transit options. Tigard should do the same.

The Tigard-Tualatin light rail project is a <u>multi-billion boondoggle</u> <u>designed solely to benefit large construction firms</u>. There will be <u>no transportation benefits for Tigard residents</u>.

Cascade Policy Institute encourages you to vote NO on Measure 34-255.

(Submitted by John A. Charles, Jr., President and CEO, Cascade Policy Institute)

This information furnished by: Cascade Policy Institute

## **Argument in Opposition**

Vote No on 34-255 to save Portland and Tigard.

The SW Corridor Light Rail will be a crisis of deliberate congestion.

Having lived between Barbur Blvd. and Macadam Ave for decades I have watched how traffic has worsened. All of the streets and intersections in the area are antiquated and maxed out. The chaos of Barbur, Macadam, I-5, South Waterfront access & the Ross Island/Marquam bridge heads are choking the area. It's not an accidental outcome.

While serving on the various committees including the Portland Development Commission's South Waterfront Advisory Committee for many years I have witnessed a planning process that has identified many traffic improvement needs, had countless

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discussions and taken testimony from experts and citizens. All of it has fallen on deaf ears. Essentially every traffic improvement element in the North Macadam Plan (that was once deemed vital to making SoWa work) have been either been de-funded or out right canceled.

Time and time again as traffic problems are anticipated, recognized, realized and worsen the decisions have been to ignore them and avoid funding any remedies.

There is only one conclusion possible. The congestion choking so many parts of our region has been deliberate. A direct result from an agenda which perpetually attempts to discourage driving by purposefully impeding car and truck

This cannot be allowed to continue. There is no room for Light Rail on Barbur Blvd.

Light Rail infrastructure will not fit anywhere in this area. It is already often a nightmare just trying to get on or off a street or in and out of a location.

Multiple traffic signal cycles are often needed to escape.

Please Tigard, You Must Stop This.

Tigard's M34-255 may be the one and only opportunity for any voters to kill this crisis in the making.

Vote no on M34-255. For our own good and the good of the whole region.

Jerry L. Ward, Architect/Planner

SW Portland

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This information furnished by: Jerry L. Ward

## **Argument in Opposition**

No on 34-255

Congestion? What is it good for?

Despite the false claims by the YES campaign it is widely recognized by both proponents and critics that **Light Rail CANNOT** and **Will NOT** reduce congestion.

The disingenuous claim that light rail will reduce congestion may be the best reason to vote NO on M34-255

There are no plans to reduce congestion. In 1979, Portland's land-use planning council, Metro, adopted the state-wide mandate to contain development with Urban Growth Boundaries. Ever since the regional strategy has been and continues to be to focus high-density development along light-rail corridors.

The City of Tigard long ago joined the region's misguided mission to discourage driving by allowing congestion to worsen. For decades traffic relief has been avoided under the convoluted fear that it would encourage people to drive instead of use transit.

The evidence of the congestion favoring agenda is everywhere including in Tigard. The costly traffic calming changes to Burnham Street, Main Street and even 99W with bubble curbs, medians, bioswales taking away parking and the subsidizing of high density developments are already mimicking the same things adversely altering Portland. All with a total disregard for worsening traffic congestion.

In truth their strategies do not and will not work. They do not discourage driving or or encourage transit use anywhere near

the numbers and proportions needed to make the approach preferable.

Even with 97 current MAX station areas Mayor Cook has not offered a single one of them as a model for Tigard.

Tigard must not allow this failed Portland approach to be escalated with light rail the apartments that follow.

Vote NO on 34-255

AND tell your family members, neighbors, workmates and friends to do the same..

Please, spread the word any way you can and let us know if you will post a yard sign, donate or volunteer other assistance. email crino9850@comcast.net

Art Crino, Director

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This information furnished by: Arthur Crino

## **Argument in Opposition**

The same well-connected developers and planners that wasted \$200 Million on the failed Columbia River Crossing light rail bridge are back at it again! And Portland-centric bureaucrats have bought into the scam hook-line-and-sinker:

MAX is not high capacity, not rapid and will not reduce congestion.

It's all about cramming light rail with more apartments and people into the same area while pretending they won't use cars. It's been a 30 year long failed experiment .

Who is for the YES side?

It's the same people who fought to stop you from voting in the first place. The same people who made off with the \$200 million wasted on the CRC.

The same people who design, lobby, persuade the public and build light rail. Along with the planning bureaucrats whose jobs and cozy compensation packages depend upon one boondoggle after another. Light rail is good for them. Even if it never gets built.

The misleading YES campaign is being funded by the people who will be paid millions and the politicians who they support.

See their donations here at orestar public records :

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Vote No on M34-255 Vote No on M34-256

This information furnished by: Arthur Crino



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## Measure No. 34-256

#### **Ballot Title**

Fuel Tax Increase for Street System Improvements, Repair, and Maintenance

**Question:** Shall Tigard enact ordinance to increase fuel tax by 5 cents per gallon for street system improvements, repair, and maintenance?

**Summary:** Ordinance 16-14, if approved, would amend municipal code to increase City motor vehicle fuel tax from 3 to 8 cents per gallon and dedicate revenue to street system, sidewalk and safety improvements and pavement and rights-of-way maintenance. Estimated to raise \$1 million per year. The revenue would address existing unfunded transportation needs.

Project categories with potential examples:

- Pavement Management Program: Repave neighborhood streets such as parts of Grant Avenue, Atlanta Avenue, Benchview Terrace, 121st Avenue, Alderbrook Drive, 130th Avenue and Fonner Street.
- Major Street Improvements: Contribute to North Dakota Street and Tigard Street bridge replacements, including sidewalks and bike lanes; Tigard Street along Dirksen Park.
- Pedestrian Connection and Safety Projects: Sidewalks on Hunziker Street, Barrows Road, and neighborhood gaps; crosswalk improvements such as flashing signs and beacons; improved traffic signals for safer pedestrian crossings.

If the local gas tax is approved, Tigard residents and businesses will not see a scheduled increase in Street Maintenance Fees on January 1, 2017. The local gas tax will be paid by all persons who purchase gas in Tigard.

## **Explanatory Statement**

Measure increases the local fuel tax by \$.05 per gallon dedicated to street systems, safety improvements, pavement management and rights-of-way maintenance. The additional \$.05 per gallon in local gas tax is estimated to raise \$1 million annually and bring the city's fuel tax to \$.08 per gallon. Tax would be implemented no earlier than January 2017.

#### Example projects include:

- Pavement Management Street repair and paving to local and neighborhood streets – 74<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 121<sup>st</sup> Avenue, 130<sup>th</sup> Ave, Alderbrook Drive, Atlanta Street, Benchview Terrace, Fonner Street, Grant Avenue
- <u>Sidewalks and bike lanes</u> Tiedeman Avenue, Greenburg Road to Fanno Creek, Hunziker Street, 77<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 72<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Scoffins Street, Hall Boulevard to Ash Avenue
- <u>Traffic Signal Safety</u> Bonita Road at Sequoia Parkway, Hall Boulevard at Pfaffle Street

For more information on the city gas tax and a list of potential projects, please visit <a href="www.tigard-or.gov/NovemberBalloT GasTax">www.tigard-or.gov/NovemberBalloT GasTax</a>

Tigard's transportation system is facing a number of challenges. Road funding has remained static for decades, as the state gas tax is not indexed for inflation, and the city's current funding level does not allow the City to address the backlog of transportation related projects. The \$2 million per year revenues from the city's Street Maintenance Fee (SMF), a fee paid by Tigard residents and businesses, for street paving only provides enough funding to keep pace with paving needs that develop each year. As a result, Tigard has a backlog of about 22 miles of streets in poor condition. The cost to pave these backlogged streets is about \$11 million.

If approved, the increase of \$.05/gallon to the local gas tax, which will be paid by all persons who buy gas in Tigard, will provide an estimated \$1,000,000 in revenues annually. This will allow Tigard to address the paving backlog over approximately 20 years (about \$500,000 per year) and build street, sidewalk, and safety projects. The local gas tax revenue could also provide matching dollars to allow the city to leverage other local, state, and federal funding sources to build high priority street, bridge, signal, and sidewalk projects.

If the local gas tax ballot is approved, Tigard residents will not see a scheduled SMF increase of 24% to their monthly utility bill, and businesses will not see the scheduled increase of 16% beginning January 1, 2017. The SMF is paid by Tigard residents and businesses and the planned January 2017 increase in the fee is estimated to provide an additional \$500,000 of revenues annually.

Submitted by: Marty Wine, City Manager City of Tigard

# Measure No. 34-256 Arguments

## **Argument in Favor**

Tigard's Mayor and City Councilors encourage your **YES** vote on Measure **34-256**.

Today, the local gas tax funds street maintenance, repair and improvements. Approving an increase of the local gas tax from 3 cents to 8 cents per gallon would address a 22-mile backlog of streets in Tigard that are in poor condition, and would support traffic signal, safety, and pedestrian projects that are currently unfunded.

For over a decade, Tigard residents have said in community surveys that **maintaining what we have is a high priority**. The City adopted the street maintenance fee in 2003 to improve Tigard paving and street conditions. Tigard residents and businesses pay street maintenance fees today as part of the utility bill. Even with this year's fee increase, funding for street maintenance only keeps up with paving needs that develop every year.

One nickel per gallon increase in the local gas tax lets the city address the maintenance backlog and repair selected streets. Tigard has been successful leveraging transportation dollars from regional, state and federal sources for its many transportation needs, with help from local gas tax. Additional local gas tax funds could help Tigard build priority street, bridge, signal, and sidewalk projects. Paving on Grant, Atlanta, 121st, 130th Avenues, and Fonner Street could be done sooner. A local gas tax increase could help fund projects such as North Dakota and Tigard Street bridges, and pedestrian and safety projects such as Hunziker and Barrows.

We believe that a local gas tax increase will more broadly spread the cost burden of maintaining our streets to residents and visitors who use our city streets.

Approving a local gas tax increase will prevent a scheduled increase in street maintenance fees in January, 2017.

Please support a local gas tax increase to fund street maintenance, repair and improvements.

See www.tigard-or.gov/NovemberBallot\_GasTax for more information.

John Cook, Tigard Mayor Jason Snider, City Council President Marland Henderson, City Councilor John Goodhouse, City Councilor

This information furnished by: John Cook, Jason Snider, Marland Henderson, John Goodhouse

## **Argument in Opposition**

Light Rail Alert! Vote No on 34-256

The M34-256 gas tax increase can be used for Light Rail.

Almost everyone wants to see our roads and traffic improved. This measure is not to be trusted. Especially in the hands of the same city hall folks who are trying to mislead voters into approving light rail. Don't be fooled. **Vote no on light rail, No on M34-255.** 

The gas tax proceeds from M34-256 could be used to pay for Tigard's share of SW Corridor Light Rail.

M34-256 says.

"The local gas tax revenue could also provide matching dollars to allow the city to leverage other local, state, and federal funding sources to build high priority street, bridge, signal, and sidewalk projects."

All the city would have to do is prioritize any of the many light rail related road, intersection or sidewalk projects that are needed solely to accommodate the construction of the light rail project

Meanwhile all of the more important improvements that would truly help relieve traffic are left unfunded and never built. Until Light Rail is off of the table no gas tax increase should be approved by voters.

It's not surprising that the city is also threatening a hefty utility fee increase on residents and businesses if voters do not approve the gas tax increase.

That's a tactic that should anger residents and voters.

#### Don't be fooled.

If the light rail M34-255 should happen to pass the city of Tigard will sign a contract with TriMet committing many millions towards the light rail project.

If this M34-256 gas tax passes the Mayor and city hall will have no need to ask you to approve any new fee or tax for light rail. They will use part of this new gas tax increase to debt service the millions they borrow for light while claiming you support the expenditure.

Don't ruin Tigard by copying Portland

No on M34-256 No on M34-255

This Information furnished by: Joe Jumalon

## Measure No. 34-257

#### **Ballot Title**

Imposes City Tax on Marijuana Retailer's Sale of Marijuana Items

**Question:** Shall City impose a tax on the sale of marijuana items by a marijuana retailer in the City?

**Summary:** Under current state law, a city council may adopt an ordinance to be referred to the voters of the city imposing up to a three percent tax or fee on the sale of marijuana items in the city by a licensed marijuana retailer.

If this measure is adopted, it would approve a Tigard Ordinance imposing a tax on the sale of marijuana items in the city by a licensed marijuana retailer. The tax amount would be the maximum amount allowed under state law, which is currently three percent (3%). The tax would be collected at the point of sale and remitted by the marijuana retailer. The measure also includes provisions regarding collection, administration and enforcement of the tax.

## **Explanatory Statement**

Under measure 91, adopted by the Oregon voters in November 2014, and amended by the Legislature in 2015, the Oregon Liquor Control Commission must license the retail sale of recreational marijuana. The 2015 Legislation provides that a city council may adopt an ordinance imposing up to a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items (which include marijuana concentrates, extracts, edibles, and other products intended for human consumption and use) by retail licensees in the city, but the council must refer that ordinance to the voters at a statewide general election. The City of Tigard City Council has adopted an ordinance imposing a tax of the full amount allowed under State law, which is currently three percent (3%>), on the sale of marijuana items by a marijuana retailer in the city, and, as a result, has referred this measure to the voters.

If this measure is adopted, it would approve Tigard Ordinance No. 16-15 imposing a three percent tax, or the maximum rate allowed by the State, whichever is greater, on the sale of marijuana items in the city by a licensed marijuana retailer. The tax would be collected at the point of sale and remitted by the marijuana retailer. The measure also includes provisions regarding collection, administration and enforcement of the tax. There are no restrictions on how the city may use the revenues generated by this tax.

Submitted by: Marty Wine, City Manager City of Tigard



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# Measure No. 34-247

#### **Ballot Title**

Charter Amendment Establishing Term Limits for Members of City Council

**Question:** Should members of City Council be term limited to serving no more than 12 years in any 20 year period?

Summary: The measure would amend the City Charter to impose term limits on all members of City Council. The measure would restrict a person from serving on City Council to no more than 12 years in any 20 year period. The 12-year term limit would apply to the total time served on City Council, regardless of whether a person served as Mayor, Councilor, or both, during the 20 year period. The measure would also prohibit a person from serving on City Council if the person could possibly exceed the 12-year term limit by completing another term of office, despite the person having actually served less than 12 years. The measure would apply term limits retroactively, including to all current members of City Council. The measure would not prohibit current members of City Council from fulfilling their current terms of office. If voters approve the measure, the current Mayor and two current Councilors would be term limited upon conclusion of their current terms. The measure would calculate a year of service to mean 365.25 days.

**Explanatory Statement** 

This Measure, if approved, would amend the City of Tualatin Charter ("Charter") by adding a new section of Chapter III entitled "City Council Term Limits." The Measure would retroactively impose term limits on the current Mayor and City Councilors, and prohibit any person from serving more -than twelve (12) years in any twenty (20) year period, as a City Councilor, Mayor, a pro tem member, or any combination of those positions. This twelve (12) year limit applies to the total amount of time a person serves on City Council, regardless of the office held. Under the Measure, City Councilors could only run for Mayor if doing so would not exceed the twelve (12) year limit.

This Measure would also apply if, at the time the person was elected or appointed, the person had not yet exceeded the twelve (12) year limit, but would exceed the limit if the person completed the term of the office. For example, if a person was appointed to complete a partial term caused by a vacancy, the person would only be eligible to serve two (2) additional four (4) year terms (8 years plus the time they were appointed), because the person would exceed the twelve (12) year limit if the person completed a third elected term in office. In these circumstances, the effect of the Measure would be a term limit of less than twelve (12) years.

Additionally, this Measure creates qualifications to hold office, but does not amend the Charter section regarding qualifications to run for office. As a result, a qualified elector could be eligible to run for office, but not eligible to serve their term.

There are currently two members of the City Council who could be eligible to be elected to office, this November, under the current Charter, but might not be eligible to serve their terms if voters elect them and this measure is also approved. The Oregon Secretary of State's office has declined to take a position as to whether a Councilor lawfully elected at the November election would be able to serve their term, if this measure also passes.

The retroactive imposition of the Measure would not prohibit the current Mayor and City Councilors from fulfilling their current terms of office. However, no current member of the City Council will be eligible to serve more than one additional term, as either Councilor or Mayor, if this Measure passes.

This Measure would calculate years of service by first determining the aggregate number of days a person has served as a member of the City Council within an applicable window of twenty (20) calendar years, and then attribute one (1) year of service for every 365.25 days of service.

This Measure would become effective Immediately upon passage.

Submitted by: Peter Watts City of Tualatin, Oregon

# Measure No. 34-247 Arguments

## **Argument in Favor**

Dear Voters -

We want to protect our wonderful city from entrenched special interests. To do so, we need your help. Vote "YES" for TERM LIMITS for Tualatin City Council.

Why? In recent years, wealthy special interests and their lobbyists backed City Council incumbents. With their backing, campaign costs jumped to \$50,000, creating a financial barrier to challengers. Council membership is an unpaid position. How can an opponent, unless they're wealthy, compete? Voters lose out as these special interests gain preferred access to the incumbents.

The solution other cities have used: TERM LIMITS. Twelveyear TERM LIMITS will ensure experience while creating open positions, allowing new leadership with fresh ideas. Councils become better connected to voter views and less influenced by lobbyists.

What has happened that demonstrates that Tualatin voters have lost connection to their City Council? Recently, our Council:

- Allowed secret votes without public notice, breaking their promise for open and transparent decision-making. Most recently, the May 11, 2015 ordinance reduced voter rights by 75% without public notice.
- Enacted foolish "shoot before aiming" decision-making: tearing down our City Hall without a voter-approved replacement and constructing a street extension with an apparent \$500,000 budget overrun, doubling the original budget and leaving us with no City Hall.
- Ignored multiple City Charter requirements by sending \$160,000 to METRO without a public vote on light rail, allowed questionable residency and attendance for Council members, ignored limits on conversion of park facilities for non-park uses, and passed ordinances in conflict with Tualatin voters' majority opinion.
- Expanded industrial areas without an acceptable traffic solution, clogging our roads with truck traffic.

City Councils in Tigard, Sherwood, Lake Oswego, Oregon City, Hillsboro, and Milwaukie all have TERM LIMITS. Tualatin, too, has many smart, capable, and civic-minded residents among the 26,000 who would serve our community with ethical and forward thinking leadership. Create open seats for them by voting "YES". You will restore the connection between Council and the people!

Visit our website www.tualatintermlimits.org.

Mae Heide, Chief Petitioner – Term Limits for Tualatin City Council

This information furnished by: Mae Heide, Chief Petitioner - Term Limits for Tualatin City Council Committee

## Argument in Favor

About two years ago, a group of Tualatin citizens wanted my legal assistance to draft a ballot measure. They wanted a framework to encourage competitive City Council elections with regular rotation in office. After thoughtful discussion of different formats, they chose term limits of twelve years within a twenty-year period. Under these limits, someone serving twelve consecutive years on City Council would have to sit out for eight years before running again. If passed, this measure would be the least stringent term limits model in any of the metro-area cities with term limits (Lake Oswego, Sherwood, Tigard, Oregon City, Milwaukie and Hillsboro).

Volunteers circulated the term limits petition door-to-door throughout the summer of 2015 to qualify for a vote in spring of 2016 (prior to this General Election). However, the City Council had other plans and passed an "emergency ordinance" (without public notice or testimony opportunities) that simultaneously reduced the circulation period and delayed a public vote until this General Election. This "emergency" ordinance did not undermine the volunteers' determination, however, the delay provided term limits opponents with additional time to concoct opposition arguments.

Two of these arguments are legal theories from an outside counsel hired almost a year after the petition was approved as legally appropriate by Tualatin's City Attorney. The City of Tualatin used the same outside counsel that was hired by the (former) City of Damascus to (unsuccessfully) pursue novel legal theories to deny their voters' right to vote on disincorporation.

I have reviewed his legal theories relating to this measure and consider them baseless. One of them relies on the premise that Tualatin's City Council can limit the power of Tualatin voters to amend their city charter without a public vote (they cannot), and the other relied on a potential conflict that does not exist (this measure only affects future elections).

I hope everyone considers the policies actually proposed by this measure before voting their conscience.

Eric C. Winters, Attorney

This information furnished by: Eric C. Winters, Attorney

#### **Argument in Favor**

#### **Arguments Opposing Term Limits Fall Flat**

Many supporters of City Council Term Limits understand why certain elected officials oppose term limits. Fortunately, George Washington, our first President, argued for limited terms. He saw the benefit of serving and then returning to living under the laws he created. Washington knew his service, limited to eight years, would allow for new leadership, and our country clearly benefited from his decision.

Opponents argue that elections are term limits. In the real world, for volunteer City Council positions, it simply isn't true. The barrier to entry for a challenger, unless they are wealthy, is overwhelming when incumbents (who are unpaid) can raise \$50,000 or more from special interests. This money finances expenses, ensuring name recognition and beautiful campaign material. Special interests never want to have to persuade new folks to their views.

Opponents argue legal confusion will occur if an incumbent who has already served 12 years choses to run for reelection this November. Council spent taxpayer money modifying the measure's explanation to that effect, and announced at an open City Council meeting that the measure faced certain legal challenge if such an incumbent ran. Wrong. This November, no incumbent seeking reelection has already served 12 years.

Finally, opponents argue that Term Limits will lead to massive turnover and lack of experience on the Council. Wrong again. In 2018, only one current City Council member will not be able to run for reelection. The City Council has seven members and twelve years is a long time. Fresh enthusiasm and opportunities for new ideas can only benefit our city. Term Limits will create regular turnover and new leadership opportunities for the many qualified citizens living in Tualatin.

Tualatin voters – let's join our neighbors: Sherwood, Tigard, Lake Oswego, Oregon City, Hillsboro, and Milwaukie – vote Yes for Term Limits for Tualatin City Council. Let's put voters back in control.

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Visit our website at www.tualatintermlimits.org

**Term Limits for Tualatin City Council Committee** 

This information furnished by: Term Limits for Tualatin City Council Committee

## **Argument in Opposition**

Don't Lose Your Right To Choose No Term Limits for Tualatin

Term limits shouldn't apply to unpaid volunteers like the Tualatin City Council and Mayor. If voters prefer someone else in office they can simply vote for another at election time

For more than 30 years Tualatin voters have most always reelected councilors. Term Limits deprive voters of the choice to vote for whomever they want for office since councilors would be unable to assume any City office after three terms

People are happy with their local government and choose to reelect their volunteer, unpaid, experienced councilors. Tualatin citizens continually rank city services with over 90% approval in statistically valid surveys.

Term Limits are the tools of those who don't want certain councilors reelected in spite of whom the majority of the voters choose. They take away your right to choose

Tualatin typically has few people running for council. Currently two of the three positions up for election have only one candidate. Eliminating existing councilors from eligibility will increase this shortage

We believe stability and experience is important in Tualatin's local government and that we should elect the leaders we want, not who someone's charter amendment says we cannot

Doug Plambeck, Tualatin Resident Jay Harris, Former Tualatin City Council Laura Baker, Tualatin Resident Bill Beers, Tualatin Planning Commission Member Dr. Jeff Clark, Tualatin Doctor Jeff Smith, Former Tualatin High School Principal Allyson Anderson, Hospital President Brenda Braden, Former Tualatin City Attorney Steve Stolze, Former Tualatin Mayor John Bartholomew, Tualatin Resident Ed Casey, Tualatin Wetlands Conservancy Member Jeff DeHaan, Former Tualatin Planning Commission Member Linda Simmons, Tualatin Resident Yvonne Addington, Tualatin Historical Society Member Janet Dalton, Tualatin Chamber of Commerce Member Erica Lund, Tualatin Resident Dana Terhune Linda Moholt, Tualatin Chamber of Commerce CEO Manny Trujillo, Former TTSD School Board Member Grant Yoakum, Tualatin Property Owner Leah Findtner, Tualatin Resident Susan Noack, Tualatin Resident

This information furnished by: Tualatin Citizens for Good Government

Jeff Welsh, Tualatin Rotary Member

## **Argument in Opposition**

<u>Don't Lose Your Right To Choose</u> No Term Limits for Tualatin

This charter amendment is poorly drafted. After serving three terms, it causes a councilor to be ineligible for eight more years before they could serve again. They could not be appointed to

fill a vacancy nor could they run for a different City office such as a councilor running for mayor

It was reported in the Times newspaper by a municipal law attorney that this amendment potentially violates the Tualatin City Charter in a number of sections and if the measure passes it would undoubtedly cause the City a lawsuit *The Times*, July 07. 2016

This charter amendment was written by an out of town lawyer who focuses on opposing transit projects and presumably wrote the measure to eliminate the current council because of participating in the Southwest Corridor Study

The Chief Petitioner of this charter amendment stated in an interview with the Chamber of Commerce that when the Tualatin City Council voted to participate in the Southwest Corridor Study financially, she decided to do something about it.

This amendment is not about creating a better community but rather, an effort to force the present council out of office

Ross Baker, Tualatin Business Owner Jay Wilcox, Tualatin Resident Brad Parker, Tualatin Resident Mona St Clair, Tualatin Planning Commission Member Mojtaba Takallou, Tualatin Resident Candice Kelly, Tualatin Tomorrow Member Kevin Moore, Tualatin Resident David Emami, Tualatin Business Owner Robert Knight, Tualatin Chamber of Commerce President James Lund, Tualatin Resident Ed Doran, Tualatin Resident Larry McClure, Tualatin Tomorrow Member Bob Boryska, Former Tualatin City Council Bethany Wurtz, Tualatin Tomorrow Member Del Judy, Tualatin Resident Buck Braden, Tualatin Arts Committee Loyce Martinazzi, Tualatin Historical Society Member Tom Russell, Tualatin Resident Pasquale Pascuzzi, Tualatin Property Owner John Howorth, Tualatin Resident Steve Kunkle, Tualatin Rotary Member Debbie Borges, Tualatin Resident Diana Emami, Tualatin Core Area Parking Board Member Mike Riley, Former Tualatin Planning Commission Dr. Travis Evans, Tualatin Dentist

This information furnished by: Tualatin Citizens for Good Government

## Measure No. 34-253

#### **Ballot Title**

Imposes City Tax on Marijuana Retailer's Sale of Marijuana Items

**Question:** Shall the City of Tualatin impose a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items by marijuana retailers?

**Summary:** Under state law, a city council may adopt an ordinance to be referred to the voters of the city imposing up to a three percent (3%) tax or fee on the sale of marijuana items in the city by a licensed marijuana retailer. Approval of this measure would impose a three percent (3%) tax on the sale of marijuana items in the City of Tualatin by a licensed marijuana retailer. The tax would be collected at the point of sale and remitted by the marijuana retailer.

## **Explanatory Statement**

Approval of this measure would impose a three percent (3%) tax on the sale of marijuana items by a marijuana retailer within the City of Tualatin.

Under Measure 91, adopted by Oregon voters in November 2014 and codified in ORS chapter 475B and amended by the Legislature in 2016, the Oregon Liquor Control Commission must license the retail sale of recreational marijuana. ORS 475B.345 provides that a city council may adopt an ordinance imposing up to a three percent (3%) tax on the sale of marijuana items (which include marijuana concentrates, extracts, edibles, and other products intended for human consumption and use) by retail licensees in the City. ORS 475B.345 requires also a city council to refer an ordinance adopting the tax to the voters at a statewide general election.

The City of Tualatin City Council has adopted an ordinance imposing a three percent (3%) tax on the sale of marijuana items by a retail licensee in the City of Tualatin and has referred this measure to the voters.

If the voters approve the measure, the three percent (3%) tax would apply only to the retail sales of recreational marijuana. Medical marijuana would not be taxed under the measure.

ORS 475B does not restrict how the City may use the revenues generated by this tax. Revenues from the tax may, therefore, be used for any City purpose determined by the City Council through the local budget process.

Submitted by: Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager



# City of Wilsonville

## Measure No. 3-485

#### **Ballot Title**

Authorizes General Obligation Bonds For Wilsonville Recreation and Aquatic Center

**Question:** Shall Wilsonville be authorized to issue up to \$35,000,000 of general obligation bonds for a Community Recreation and Aquatic Center? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limitations of Sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Summary: This Measure would authorize the City to issue up to \$35 million of general obligation bonds to pay for capital costs to provide a Community Recreation and Aquatic Center ("Center"), including costs to acquire property and construct the Center, parking lot and related amenities, and finance issuance costs. The primary purpose of the Center is to provide community event space, aquatic, athletic, fitness, and recreational facilities. A "yes" vote approves the Measure; a "no" vote rejects the Measure.

This Measure will result in a tax increase by an estimated \$0.59 per \$1,000 of assessed value per year; for example: approximately \$177 per year on a home assessed at \$300,000, or \$14.75 per month.

Center usage will require payment of a user or membership fee. Membership and user fees for the Center have not been determined but Wilsonville residents will pay a reduced fee.

**Explanatory Statement** 

The City of Wilsonville requests voter consideration of a bond measure to site, design, and construct a Recreation and Aquatic Center, to be paid for by the issuance of a maximum of \$35 million in General Obligation bonds. Wilsonville residents have access to many desirable regional amenities, including close proximity to the river, access to the local interstate system and a large network of regional employers. An amenity our community lacks is public access to indoor recreation and aquatic facilities and learn to swim classes. Adults, youth, and seniors must travel to other communities in order to find access to a public pool.

In 2014, the City Council convened a citizen task force to examine the financial feasibility of a possible recreation and aquatic center ("Center") in Wilsonville and provided input on desired amenities. The City retained a consulting team to conduct a financial feasibility study to determine if such a Center would be operationally sustainable without the need for long-term taxpayer support. The study concluded that the Center, as proposed in the feasibility study, could be operationally self-sustaining within five years. After reviewing the consultant's report, the task force recommended that the City Council place a bond measure on the November 2016 ballot to purchase land, and design, construct, and equip a recreation and aquatic center in Wilsonville.

The Center is proposed to be constructed on a yet-to-be-determined site near Wilsonville Town Center. The Center will be approximately 80,000 square feet and is planned to include the following amenities: a 25 yard/6 lane lap pool; a 6000 sq. ft. warm water pool; aquatic classes for all ages; water park features; a fitness center; multi-purpose room(s); basketball courts; day care facility; and a walking/jogging track, as well as other amenities that are consistent with recreational and aquatics needs of the community.

If this bond measure is passed, property taxes are estimated to increase by not more than \$0.59 per thousand dollars of

assessed valuation. This assessment would equate to approximately \$14.75 per month for a home with an assessed value of \$300,000. The bonds will be used to finance the purchase of the land, design and construction of the Center, and equipment, furniture, and fixtures. Bond funds will not be used for operating expenses. The City of Wilsonville will retain ownership of the Center. Day-to-day operations will be contracted to a private company. Operational expenses are expected to be paid from membership and user fees. The City's general fund is projected to pay any shortfall until the Center achieves financial sustainability. It is anticipated that the Center will be financially sustainable within five (5) years.

Bonds would mature in approximately 21 years from the date of issuance and could be issued in more than one series.

Submitted by: Sandra King, City Recorder

# City of Wilsonville

# Measure No. 3-486

#### **Ballot Title**

Prohibits Certain Licensed or Regulated Medical and Recreational Marijuana Facilities

**Question:** Shall Wilsonville continue to prohibit medical marijuana processors, medical marijuana dispensaries, recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers in Wilsonville?

Summary: This measure would authorize the City to continue its current ban on medical marijuana processing sites, medical marijuana dispensaries, recreational marijuana producers, recreational marijuana processors, recreational marijuana wholesalers, and recreational marijuana retailers. Processors under Wilsonville's Code also include marijuana testing facilities, which are also currently banned.

Personal use and growing of marijuana, in accordance with state law, will continue to be allowed in Wilsonville and is not restricted by this Measure.

A "yes" vote approves the Measure, and authorizes the City to continue to prohibit the above listed marijuana businesses from being located in Wilsonville.

A "no" vote rejects the Measure, and marijuana businesses would be permitted to operate in Wilsonville, subject to the provisions of Oregon law, including locally imposed time, place, and manner regulations, and Oregon Liquor Control Commission and Oregon Health Authority licensure and regulations.

## **Explanatory Statement**

The Wilsonville City Council adopted an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of medical marijuana processing sites (including marijuana testing facilities), medical marijuana dispensaries, recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers within the city limits.

A majority "yes" vote will affirm the City Council's ordinance and will continue the ban on medical marijuana processing sites (including marijuana testing facilities), medical marijuana dispensaries, recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers within the City limits. To date, no such facilities have been permitted or licensed to operate within Wilsonville.

This measure does not prohibit or restrict medical and personal marijuana use, home cultivation of up to four plants, and the transfer of one ounce of marijuana between individuals, not subject to payment.

The Oregon Medical Marijuana Act, as amended by the Legislature in 2015, provides that a city council may adopt an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of any medical marijuana processing sites, medical marijuana dispensaries, recreational marijuana producers, recreational marijuana wholesalers, and recreational marijuana retailers within city limits, but, if the city council does so, then the city council must refer that ordinance to the voters at the next statewide general election. Wilsonville City Council adopted such an ordinance and that is why this ballot measure is being referred to the voters.

Approval of this measure has revenue impacts. Currently, ten percent of state marijuana tax revenues will be distributed to cities to assist local law enforcement in performing their duties under Measure 91. If approved, this measure would make Wilsonville ineligible to receive distributions of state marijuana tax revenues.

Under the 2015 legislation, a city may impose up to a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items by a marijuana retailer within the city. However, a city that adopts an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of medical marijuana processors, medical marijuana dispensaries, or recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, or retailers may not impose a local tax or fee on the production, processing, or sale of marijuana or any product into which marijuana has been incorporated.

A "yes" vote on this measure will continue the current prohibition of medical marijuana processors, medical marijuana dispensaries, recreational marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers within the City. A "no" vote will allow those business establishments to locate within Wilsonville, subject to zoning regulations.

Submitted by: Barbara Jacobson City of Wilsonville

## Measure No. 26-178

Referred to the People by the Metro Council

#### **Ballot Title**

# Renews Local Option Levy; Protects Natural Areas, Water Quality, Fish

**Question:** Shall Metro protect water quality, fish, natural areas, parks; renew 5-year operating levy, 9.6¢ per \$1,000 assessed value, beginning 2018?

This measure renews current local option taxes.

**Summary:** This levy does not increase taxes. It continues the same rate previously approved by voters.

This levy protects water quality, restores fish and wildlife habitat and connects people with nature across 17,000 acres of parks, trails and natural areas. About half the levy funding goes toward restoring natural areas acquired over two decades and two voter-approved bond measures. The other half of the money helps connect people with nature by improving Metro parks and natural areas, providing nature education programming and grants for community nature projects.

#### Result of a "yes" vote

- Maintain and improve water quality in local rivers and streams
- Restore habitat for salmon and other native fish on the Willamette, Clackamas, Sandy, Tualatin rivers; Johnson creek
- Restore wetlands, forests and floodplains that provide habitat for birds, wildlife
- Provide more parks and trails; construct or replace restrooms, picnic shelters, playgrounds
- Increase opportunities for children from low-income families and communities of color to connect with nature

A home assessed at \$200,000 would pay \$20 per year for five years.

The proposed rate (9.6¢ per \$1,000 assessed value) will raise approximately \$14.8 million in 2018-19, \$15.5 million in 2019-20, \$16.1 million in 2020-21, \$16.7 million in 2021-22 and \$17.4 million in 2022-23.

## **Explanatory Statement**

Measure 26-178 would help improve water quality, restore fish and wildlife habitat, and increase opportunities for people to connect with nature.

#### Result of a "yes" vote

This measure renews local option taxes at the current rate of 9.6 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value – approximately \$20 for a home assessed at \$200,000. That means it will not increase taxes currently being paid by homeowners within Metro's boundaries in Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties.

#### What would renewing the levy do?

Metro manages more than 17,000 acres of parks and natural areas in and among the greater Portland region – from Chehalem Ridge near Forest Grove to the Sandy River Gorge near Gresham, from Chinook Landing and Broughton Beach on the Columbia River to Graham Oaks near Wilsonville.

About half of the current levy funding maintains and restores wildlife habitat at these parks and natural areas. The other half of the money is used to construct park improvements, open new natural area sites to visitors, increase volunteer and education programming, and fund grants for community nature projects. Renewing the levy would continue these funding priorities.

#### Improve water quality and restore wildlife habitat

Restoring natural areas improves their ability to provide clean water, healthy wildlife habitat and opportunities for people to connect with nature. Planned projects would:

- Help improve water quality in the Willamette, Clackamas, Tualatin and Sandy rivers and Johnson Creek
- Benefit native fish in local rivers and streams
- Control invasive weeds that crowd out native plants wildlife need for food and shelter
- Restore rare Oregon white oak and prairie habitats
- Enhance wetlands to help control flooding and provide habitat for birds and amphibians
- · Help improve forest health and reduce wildfire risk

#### Increase access to nature for people

Approximately 1.3 million people visit Metro's parks each year for walking, hiking, bird watching, camping, boating, fishing, picnicking, and family and community events. Renewing the current levy would allow Metro to improve its sites for visitors at places such as Blue Lake and Oxbow regional parks, Smith and Bybee Wetlands, Mount Talbert, Scouters Mountain and Canemah Bluff. Planned projects would:

- Provide people with access to local rivers and natural areas
- Ensure programs and facilities support the needs of underserved communities
- Increase visitor services in Metro's parks, including replacing or adding restrooms, group picnic areas, trails and playgrounds
- Provide more nature education programs, including for children from low-income families and communities of color
- Fund grants for community nature projects

#### Measuring performance

For accountability, an annual report detailing program expenses, major accomplishments and progress toward specific outcomes will be presented at a Metro Council meeting and made available on the Metro website. Program expenses will be subject to annual audits and presented in the budget adopted by the Metro Council. An independent oversight committee appointed by the Metro Council would review and report on levy-funded capital expenditures for compliance with program requirements.

#### Learn more at oregonmetro.gov/nature

#### Submitted by:

Martha J. Bennett, Chief Operating Officer Metro, a municipal government pursuant to ORS 268

# Measure No. 26-178 Arguments

## **Argument in Favor**

# CONTINUING OUR COMMITMENT TO CLEANER WATER, WILDLIFE HABITAT AND PEOPLE

Measure 26-178 continues our region's long commitment to cleaner water, restored fish and wildlife habitat, and connecting people to nature.

With three decades of voter support, Metro has built a 17,000 acre network of parks, trails and natural areas crossing Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties. Measure 26-178 continues to build on that legacy, targeting smart investments in key areas:

- WATER QUALITY: Maintaining and improving water quality in local rivers and streams
- FISH AND WILDLIFE HABITAT: Restoring habitat for salmon and other native fish; restoring wetlands, forests and floodplains that provide habitat for birds and wildlife
- PARKS AND NATURAL AREAS: Taking care of parks and improving natural areas, including adding or updating restrooms, trails, picnic shelters, and playgrounds
- COMMUNITY ACCESS: Increasing opportunities for children from low-income families and communities of color to connect with nature, by designing programs together with community partners and funding community grants.

By renewing the levy approved by voters in 2013, funding for our natural areas will extend through 2023, while maintaining the current tax rate of 9.6 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value, or about \$20 per year for a home assessed at \$200,000.

Join us in voting YES and continue preserving and protecting the region's natural areas, now and in the future.

Metro President Tom Hughes Metro Councilor Shirley Craddick Metro Councilor Carlotta Collette Metro Councilor Craig Dirksen Metro Councilor Kathryn Harrington Metro Councilor Sam Chase Metro Councilor Bob Stacey

This information furnished by: Protect Our Natural Areas

## Argument in Favor

Water Quality Advocates Agree: Vote YES on Measure 26-178 for Clean, Safe, and Healthy Water

From small streams like Tryon Creek to the mighty Columbia and Willamette, our region's communities and habitats are tied together by water. Measure 26-178 restores and maintains these clean and healthy rivers—without raising taxes.

Nothing is more important than clean, healthy water. This measure provides vitally needed funding to restore water quality in rivers and streams throughout the Metro area, now and in the future.

Funds from the renewed levy will protect water quality, reconnect vital floodplains, increase native plants, and control invasive species. By preserving these critical areas we are ensuring that our streams, lakes and rivers continue to be **healthy and safe for current and future generations of Oregonians**.

The natural areas levy has been essential to improving water quality in:

- Wilsonville's Coffee Lake Creek
- · North Portland's Smith and Bybee Wetlands

- Clackamas County's Beaver Creek
- Beaverton's Fanno Creek
- · Oregon City's Newell Creek
- Hillsboro's Tualatin River
- · Cornelius' Council Creek
- Gresham and East Multnomah County's Johnson Creek

As well as major restoration investments along the Willamette, Clackamas, and Sandy Rivers.

A YES vote on Measure 26-178 will ensure Metro has the necessary funds to continue improving water quality and natural habitat through 2023, all without raising existing taxes.

Join us in supporting Measure 26-178:

Audubon Society of Portland Willamette Riverkeeper Columbia Land Trust Oregon League of Conservation Voters We Love Clean Rivers Urban Greenspaces Institute

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## **Argument in Favor**

# YES ON MEASURE 26-178: PROTECT AND ENHANCE OUR REGION'S UNIQUE OUTDOOR RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES

Our local natural areas have something for everyone — natural beauty, scenery, and easy access to nature and recreation. They provide a beautiful and affordable place for recreation close to home.

Metro facilities annually provide recreation opportunities for 1.3 million visitors. These parks and natural spaces provide trails for hiking and biking, rivers for kayaking, lakes for fishing, and prairies for birdwatching. As our region grows, it is more important than ever to invest in keeping our parks and natural areas open to every community throughout the region.

A YES vote on Measure 26-178 will increase opportunities for people to experience nature in parts of our region that currently have few public parks or natural areas.

The 2013 Metro Levy provided funding for the following opportunities for the region's communities to connect to the nature in our neighborhoods:

- New aluminum docks at Chinook Landing Marine Park on the Columbia River
- New scenic overlook, footbridge and improved trails near Oregon City's Canemah Bluff
- Improvements to Milwaukie's Riverfront Park to provide access for residents to the Willamette River
- New restrooms, a rebuilt trail and a viewing platform at Blue Lake Regional Park in Fairview
- Over 400 new trail signs installed on Hillsboro's Rock Creek Trail, Milwaukie's Trolley Trail, and the Tualatin River Greenway
- A new natural play area, picnic pavilion and other improvements at the soon-to-be-opened Bull Mountain Park in Tigard.

Your YES Vote on Measure 26-178 will preserve our region's legacy of natural beauty by protecting rivers, streams, natural areas, and wildlife habitat. It will ensure that everyone—including kids, low-income families, and communities of color—have access to these vital resources, all without increasing the tax rate.

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Join us in voting YES on Measure 26-178

Northwest Youth Corps Bicycle Transportation Alliance Northwest Trail Alliance Friends of Tryon Creek

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## **Argument in Favor**

Local Leaders Support Measure 26-178
Renewing the Levy Benefits Washington County's
Natural Areas

Renewing the Metro natural areas levy, Measure 26-178, continues Metro's strong support for local communities.

Nature in Neighborhoods grants reward innovative approaches to restoring and connecting people with nature, and that local funding has grown through the natural areas levy. This renewal would continue those grants.

And Metro's investments have played a critical role in opening more than 70 community parks across the region, as well as acquiring natural areas, restoring wildlife habitat, and improving access to nature for every community.

In Washington County, the natural areas levy has supported many local projects, including:

- Restoration of Forest Grove's Chehalem Ridge forest, and planning for natural area community access
- Protection and development of Dirksen Nature Park in Tigard
- Construction of a new parking lot at Beaverton's Cooper Mountain
- Closing key gaps in the Fanno Creek Trail, working alongside cities and local partners
- Master planning of the Ice Age Tonquin Trail, which will connect Tualatin, Sherwood and Wilsonville
- Master planning of Killin Wetlands, a 590-acre site near Banks beloved by bird watchers
- Continued design and construction prep for a new canoe and kayak launch on the Tualatin River at Farmington Road

Please join local leaders in voting YES on Measure 26-178, to ensure that our children, grandchildren, and all future generations will enjoy the same quality of life we do, in every corner of the region.

Senator Elizabeth Steiner-Hayward
State Representative Jeff Barker
Representative Ken Helm
Washington County Commissioner Dick Schouten
Greg Malinowski Washington County Commissioner
Beaverton Mayor Denny Doyle
Beaverton Councilor Lacey Beaty
Tualatin Mayor Lou Ogden
Pete Truax, Mayor, City of Forest Grove
Kyle Allen, Hillsboro City Councilor
Lisa Allen, Hillsboro School Board Member
Former Tualatin Valley Water District Commissioner Marilyn
McWilliams
Westside Economic Alliance
Friends of Tualatin Hills Nature Park

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## **Argument in Favor**

CONNECTING PEOPLE TO NATURE:
METRO LEVY RENEWAL ENSURES INVESTMENT IN
DIVERSE COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE REGION

Equity partners from across the Metro region are voting **YES on Measure 26-178**.

Metro is committed to working together with people, businesses, nonprofit organizations and public partners to create a Portland region where <u>all individuals and communities benefit from a healthy environment with clean air and water.</u>

Measure 26-178 will <u>increase opportunities</u> for people to experience nature in parts of our region that currently have few public parks or natural areas. It will provide funding for parks, rivers, streams, and natural areas in <u>every part</u> of the Metro area—projects that will benefit <u>all</u> local residents.

And Measure 26-178 will ensure that everyone has <u>access to these vital resources</u>, through programs that connect people to nature, and with **grants to local community groups**, such as:

- Portland's Community Cycling Center's partnership with Hacienda CDC and Groundwork Portland to lead bike tours of the Columbia River Slough.
- Columbia Land Trust's work with Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon and City of Gresham to expand, diversify and steward Backyard Habitat Certification Program
- Engagement with Centro Cultural and Adelante Mujeres to conduct environmental conservation work on Cornelius' Council Creek
- Audubon Society of Portland's TALON program, which connects young people of color in East Multnomah and North Clackamas counties to environmental science professions.

Metro's renewed commitment to community engagement, hiring practices that break down barriers for applicants of color, and equitable resource allocation will help ensure that every community in the region shares in the economic opportunities and quality of life improvements provided by the levy renewal.

Equity partners from around the region agree: Vote YES on 26-178

Coalition of Communities of Color
Asian Pacific Network of Oregon (APANO)
American Latino Network
OPAL Environmental Justice Oregon
Adelante Mujeres
Verde
Self Enhancement Inc
Vive Northwest

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## Argument in Favor

Measure 26-178: For Healthier Communities

"Measure 26-178 is a great investment in our region's collective well-being. I support a YES vote because it will ensure future generations of Oregonians are provided more ample opportunities to take a walk, ride a bike, and enjoy easy access to nature and recreation."

- Dr. Philip Wu, MD

Investments in parks, trails, and opportunities to connect to nature lead to healthier communities. A YES vote on Measure 26-178 will provide ongoing support for Metro's funding of initiatives for cleaner water, restored fish and wildlife habitat, and amenities to encourage recreation and healthy activities.

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Renewing the 2013 levy will allow Metro to continue to fund projects across the region that improve public health—without raising existing taxes.

Investment in our natural areas and parks don't just improve our collective community health; they have significant impact for our regional bottom line. A 2011 study suggests that roughly \$155 million in health care costs may be averted annually thanks to the physical activity in the parks, trails, and natural areas of the Portland metro region.

And thanks to the natural areas levy, Metro is on track to plant 1 million trees and shrubs across the region this year, in addition to thousands pounds of native plant seeds. Every tree planted across our region helps remove pollution from our air, making it healthier to breathe.

Measure 26-178 ensures <u>everyone</u> in our region has access to the health benefits of nature and recreation. Please join us in voting yes.

Oregon Environmental Council
Oregon Walks
Friends of Trees
Depave
Oregon Chapter, Sierra Club
1000 Friends of Oregon

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## **Argument in Favor**

# MEASURE 26-178: A COST-EFFECTIVE INVESTMENT FOR PORTLAND'S GROWING ECONOMY

Oregonians pride themselves on their protection and stewardship and their prudent management and protection of the environment. Metro's decades of investment in regional parks, rivers and trails builds on these traditions through their ongoing stewardship and maintenance of public access to the region's cherished rivers, streams, parks, and trails.

In addition to the substantive improvements to quality of life and public health, these investments also represent a significant economic opportunity for the region.

#### QUALITY OF LIFE AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

Our region is able to attract visitors, and recruit and retain high quality businesses and workers, thanks to our unparalleled quality of life. The natural beauty, scenery, and easy access to nature are frequently cited as reasons to locate in our region—growing the economy for all of us.

A YES Vote on Measure 26-178 provides funding for parks and open spaces that make our region a more vibrant place to live, keeping our region economically competitive.

#### **GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE**

Investment in protection and maintenance of the region's critical flood plains, rivers and streams saves the region's taxpayers money by lowering the costs of stormwater management, flood mitigation, and climate change adaptation.

A YES Vote on Measure 26-178 continues these smart green infrastructure investments, saving us all money in the long run and avoiding costly problems in the future.

#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

This levy renewal will also provide employment opportunities, putting Oregonians to work on building this critical infrastructure. The jobs and investments produced by Metro's investment will help provide significant economic opportunities for working families and small businesses.

<u>A YES Vote on Measure 26-178</u> will support projects in every part of the Metro area—in Clackamas, Washington, and Multnomah Counties—that will benefit <u>all</u> local residents.

# Measure 26-178 is supported by business and labor leaders, including:

Westside Economic Alliance Oregon City Business Alliance Laborers' Local 483 AFSCME Local 3580 and 3580-1 N.W. Oregon Labor Council, AFL-CIO

This information furnished by: Protect Our Natural Areas

## **Argument in Favor**

Create a better future for our region's wildlife: Vote YES on Measure 26-178

The Oregon Zoo Foundation is an independent nonprofit that serves to advance the zoo's mission of inspiring the community to create a better future for wildlife. Our organization has led the charge to support initiatives to raise awareness of the importance of conservation, education, and animal welfare since 1997.

It is with this focus and background that we strongly endorse a **YES vote on Measure 26-178** to renew Metro's levy and continue funding for operations and maintenance of our natural areas. Renewal of this levy will ensure that as a region we have the resources to continue to our conservation and education mission beyond the zoo's borders.

Today, a young visitor to the Oregon Zoo might leave with a renewed sense of wonder of the world after seeing native species like California condor, coho salmon, Columbia Basin pygmy rabbits, Oregon spotted frogs, or the Oregon silverspot butterfly. All of these species are currently endangered, and their future depends on prudent investment in and protection of our natural wildlife habitat here in the Willamette Valley.

A YES vote on Measure 26-178 provides Metro and other community partners the opportunity to invest in these endangered species' natural habitats.

A YES Vote on Measure 26-178 is a vote to support conservation, wildlife, and community access throughout our region. Let's ensure future generations of Oregonians are promised the opportunity to see these native species -- not just at the zoo -- but in rivers, forests and backyards across the region.

Rob Erickson Board Chair Oregon Zoo Foundation

This information furnished by: Protect Our Natural Areas

## **Argument in Opposition**

Opposition statement to Metro's Five-Year Operating Levy – Measure 26-178

Metro is asking for a new tax levy <u>despite the fact that it</u> <u>already has sufficient funds</u> to operate all its parks.

According to the Metro Auditor, for the 10-year period 2003-2013:

- Total annual revenue for Metro went up by 22%, while expenses increased only 16%
- Annual property revenue increased by 40%
- Excise tax income went up 37%

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In more recent years, these trends have actually accelerated. Since 2006, annual property tax revenue collected by Metro has gone up by 122% — from \$28.6 million to \$63.6 million.

Unfortunately, this money is not even being used to improve public access to Metro's parks. In fact, <u>large portions of Metro's 17,000 acres of parklands are not open to use by taxpayers</u>.

Many Metro properties are gated and locked; most have inadequate signage so no one can find them.

At a September town hall meeting in Forest Grove, Metro employees stated that 73-81% of the Chehalem Ridge nature park — Metro's largest single land holding — will be **zoned as** "conservation areas" and off-limits to human use.

Even if you are lucky enough to find a Metro park, <u>don't even think about bringing your dog</u>. Metro prohibits dogs and other pets on virtually all its parklands.

Since 1995, Metro has spent hundreds of millions of tax dollars buying up large tracts of lands far from where most people live. The Metro Council doesn't want you to use most of these lands, but they do want you to pay for them. This an elitist conception of nature.

Metro is awash in tax money. There is no justification for a <u>new property tax levy</u>, regardless of its stated purpose.

Cascade Policy Institute urges you to vote NO on Measure 26-178.

(Statement submitted by John A. Charles, Jr., President and CEO, Cascade Policy Institute)

This information furnished by: Cascade Policy Institute

#### Oregon Voter Bill of Rights

You have the right to vote if you are a US citizen, are a resident of Oregon, are 18 years old and are registered to vote.

You have the right to receive assistance in casting your ballot.

You have the right to leave some choices blank on your ballot. The choices you do mark will still count.

You have the right to receive a new ballot if, prior to returning your ballot, you make a mistake.

**You have the right to** vote if you are in line to return you ballot at any official drop site by 8 PM on Election Day.

**You have the right to** cast a secret ballot.

**You have the right to** cast a "provisional ballot" if your name does not appear on the voter roll.

**You have the right to** choose whether or not to register as a member of a political party.

You have the right to know if your ballot, including a "provisional ballot", was counted.

You have the right to vote if you have been convicted of a felony once you have been released from custody, even if you are on probation or post-prison supervision.

You have the right to file a complaint with the Secretary of State if you think your voting rights have been denied or if you believe any fraudulent activity has occurred.

(Oregon Constitution, Sections 2 and 3; ORS Chapters 137, 246, 247, and 254; Vote By Mail Manual; Help America Vote Act of 2002; OAR 165-001-0090 and 165-007-0030)

## Sherwood School District No. 88J

# Measure No. 34-254

#### **Ballot Title**

#### Sherwood School District Bonds for Safety, Curriculum, Improvements, Reduce Overcrowding

**Question:** Shall District improve safety, curriculum, schools; construct high school, purchase land by issuing \$247,500,000 in bonds; receive \$4,468,542 State grant? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**Summary:** If approved, the bond and grant proceeds are expected to fund:

- Safety and security upgrades, including seismic upgrades, secured building entry lobbies, closed-circuit TV, cameras, public announcement system upgrades, lockdown systems, and parking lot safety;
- Curriculum materials such as math, science, and language arts;
- Deferred maintenance of buildings, including improving or replacing interior and exterior building components; roofing, plumbing, heating and ventilation systems;
- Construct, furnish, equip new high school for increased capacity;
- Projects converting current high to middle school;
- Projects converting Laurel Ridge and Sherwood Middle to elementary schools;
- Projects relocating district programs and departments to Hopkins Elementary;
- Upgrades of technology infrastructure; purchases of new and replacement technology devices;
- Purchase land;
- Site improvements, demolition, furnishing and equipping of projects:
- Bond issuance and building costs.

Bonds would mature in 31 years or less from issuance date and may be issued in one or more series. The estimated incremental tax rate is \$0.50 per \$1,000 of assessed property value above the projected 2016 tax rates. Rates may differ based on interest rates and changes in assessed value.

## **Explanatory Statement**

Throughout the 2015-16 school year, the Sherwood School District Board of Directors and District leadership met with community members related to student enrollment and capacity of our current buildings. All Sherwood schools are either nearing or over capacity. The objective of these meetings was to develop guiding principles for a potential bond. Key themes identified were:

- Capacity
- Safety and security, including seismic upgrades and secure entry vestibules
- Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM) facilities
- Technology
- Upgrades to older facilities and deferred maintenance in all buildings
- Next generation learner facilities
- Extended learning areas

Based on these guiding principles from the community, the final bond measure recommendation includes projects that would:

- 1. Relieve existing overcrowding and meet projected enrollment needs throughout the District:
  - Add approximately 2,000 additional student capacity district-wide

- Replace Sherwood High School with a new high school on a new site to accommodate future growth
- Significantly increase the number of athletic fields for school and community use
- Reduce District's reliance on portable classroom buildings

#### 2. Improve student safety and security district-wide:

- Secure building entry lobbies (aka safety vestibules)
- · Seismic upgrades throughout the District
- Closed-circuit TV cameras
- Improved emergency alert systems
- Improved lock-down systems

#### 3. Protect community investment in existing facilities:

- Address deferred maintenance needs of school buildings to improve indoor air quality and reduce maintenance costs to improve learning environments for students and teachers.
- Perform deferred maintenance projects, such as: Improving/replacing interior and exterior building components, seismic upgrades, roofing, plumbing, and heating and ventilations systems, to allow for continued efficient operations.
- Convert the existing Sherwood High School to be the District's one middle school, which will provide increased Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Math (STEAM) opportunities in small learning communities.
- Convert existing Sherwood Middle School and Laurel Ridge Middle School buildings to elementary schools, to provide expanded learning opportunities and increased enrollment capacity in the District for elementary learners.
- Relocate district programs and departments to the current Hopkins Elementary site.

#### 4. Create 21st Century learning opportunities:

- Purchase of curriculum offerings such as math, science and language arts for all school levels
- Upgrade technology infrastructure in all school buildings
- Purchase new and replacement technology devices for students and staff
- Create flexible learning spaces that will support current and future teaching and learning strategies that will better prepare students for college and career

#### Cost Information:

The cost for these projects is approximately \$247.5 million. If approved, the current tax rate would increase by about \$0.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value -- or, approximately \$125 per year on a home assessed at \$250,000. This equals approximately \$10.42 per month.

Oregon School Capital Improvement Matching (OSCIM) Grant The District will receive a \$4,468,542 OSCIM Grant if voters approve the measure. If not approved, the money will go to another school district.

Submitted by: Superintendent Heather Cordie

## Sherwood School District No. 88J

# Measure No. 34-254 Arguments

## **Argument in Favor**

Dear Neighbor,

We, the members of the Sherwood School Board, write today to ask for your support of Ballot Measure 34-254. The measure is a turning point in the future of our children's education and the quality of life in our community. Its passage is crucial to continuing the tradition of excellence in Sherwood Schools.

All of our schools are at or nearing capacity – and in the next ten years an additional 1,400 students are expected to attend our schools. Classrooms are bursting at capacity, and this bond will relieve overcrowding in all Sherwood school buildings enabling us to maintain the high quality of education our students deserve. The approach in this bond – building a new high school and repurposing other buildings to maximize future capacity – was the most fiscally prudent approach and creates the capacity we need for years to come.

The bond will also make important security and seismic upgrades to ensure our buildings can withstand earthquakes and are secure in the event of an emergency situation. Due to the poor economy in recent years, we've had to defer needed facility maintenance in order to ensure resources stay in the classrooms – this measure will provide funds to make sure all maintenance projects such as roofing, plumbing and heating systems are brought up to date.

The last time the school board asked the voters of Sherwood to support a bond was ten years ago and we've waited as long as possible to ask the voters for this bond. The students of Sherwood need your support to ensure they're able to learn in safe, maintained buildings that have enough room for them to learn and grow.

Sincerely,

Jessica Adamson, Sherwood School Board of Directors Pat Allen, Sherwood School Board of Directors Eric Campbell, Sherwood School Board of Directors Connie Hansen, Sherwood School Board of Directors Sue Hekker, Sherwood School Board of Directors

#### Please vote YES on Measure 34-254

This information furnished by: Jessica Adamson

## **Argument in Favor**

#### Sherwood High School Students For Measure 34-254

We are students at Sherwood High School and we want you to know what the real story is about the overcrowding in the Sherwood School District.

Each year, we've watched as our classes get bigger and bigger. The larger the classes are, the more challenging it is to find adequate rooms for all of them. Our teachers are great, which is why Sherwood Schools are so good, but there's only so much you can do in a crowded environment.

The overcrowding in our school impacts us in ways big and small. In order to create enough classrooms this year, the school had to set up a portable on the front lawn. Our lunchtimes are so crowded that not every student has a chair to sit on. Instead, our stairs and hallways double as lunch areas. There are so many students that it's an incredibly tight fit when we try and get everyone into the gym for a schoolwide assembly.

Measure 34-254 will really help the students in Sherwood. Building a new high school will create enough room for the

students already in our school, and those that will be here once we graduate. By reusing the other buildings, there will be enough room for years to come. The bond will also make needed repairs and safety improvements at every school, and it will help with technology and curriculum.

The students of Sherwood need this bond to build new space to learn, because right now we're out of room!

#### Please vote YES on Ballot Measure 34-254! Go BOWMEN!!!

Ben Christianson, Sherwood High School Student Nick Hekker, Sherwood High School Student Sarah Hekker, Sherwood High School Student Kierin Noreen, High School Senior, Super Fan Emma Tognoli, Sherwood High School Student Arjun Vijay, Sherwood High School Student

This information furnished by: Jessica Adamson

## Argument in Favor

Fellow parents and community members,

Many of us live in Sherwood because of our outstanding public schools. Whether or not you have kids in school, everyone benefits from high-quality schools. We must act now to ensure our community's continued success by voting **Yes on Measure 34-254**.

Sherwood schools are overcrowded. Classrooms designed for 20 students are filled with 30 or more, and students are sometimes forced to eat lunch in the halls and stairwells due to a lack of space in the cafeterias. In an attempt to keep funds in the classroom, some maintenance has been deferred, and the growing backlog must be addressed soon. We need a bold, long-term solution to meet the needs of our growing population and prepare our kids for success.

Fortunately, there is a solution on your ballot: Measure 34-254. Over the summer, the Sherwood School Board voted unanimously to place this measure on the November ballot, which will fund:

- New high school with auditorium, sports stadium, fields and gyms
- Curriculum and technology updates at all schools
- Security and safety improvements at all schools
- · Deferred building maintenance at all schools
- · Seismic upgrades at all schools

This measure is an investment in the success of current and future Sherwood students and our community as a whole. Please join us in voting Yes on Measure 34-254.

Dr Ben Aanderud
David Baehler
Valerie Baehler
JJ Bittner
Sarah Bittner
Jason Brutosky
Nicole Brutosky
Sean Clay, Booster Club President
Jimmy Davis
Kari Davis

Dr. Jeff Douglass MD Dr. Kristen Douglass MD

Pastor Paul Duppenthaler Countryside Community Church

Scott Edinger James Grothe

Pam Grothe

Tim Grunow Kylie Grunow

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Ryan Hawkins

Abigail Hawkins

Dan Jamison, former Superintendent Sherwood School District Jimmy Leon Sena Leon

Kevin Noreen, former Sherwood School District Board Member Kate Noreen, Owner, MudPuddles Toys & Books Arjun Vijay, Sherwood High School Student Body President

This information furnished by: Sherwood parents and community members

## **Argument in Favor**

We, the licensed educators and staff of the Sherwood Education Association and the Oregon School Employees Association Sherwood Chapter 103, urge you to vote **YES on Measure 34-254**. Passing this measure is essential for the present and future success of our children and the Sherwood community at large.

- This measure will reduce overcrowding at all Sherwood schools by building a new high school and combining the two middle schools into the current high school. All Sherwood schools are approaching maximum capacity, and we expect 1,400 additional students over the next 10 years. Class sizes are already too large, and this makes it difficult for educators to do their jobs to ensure student success. Measure 34-254 is a smart, long-term solution that will accommodate population growth into the future.
- Measure 34-254 will fund curriculum enhancements, such as technology upgrades and new program offerings, for students at all Sherwood schools starting immediately. It has been many years since some subject areas have adopted new curriculum. This measure will help update classroom equipment and curricula to help students get ahead in the twenty-first century economy.
- This measure will fund much-needed safety and security upgrades as well as deferred maintenance in all Sherwood schools. Safety and security upgrades will include new public announcement systems, secure entrances, surveillance cameras and lockdown systems. Measure 34-254 specifically allocates money to address maintenance issues and facilities improvements including heating/ventilation, roofing, plumbing and seismic upgrades. This measure will benefit not just future students, but current students at all levels.

Another reason you should vote YES: if voters approve Measure 34-254, the State of Oregon will contribute an additional \$4.469 million in matching funds.

This measure is the result of substantial community input and careful planning, and the Sherwood School Board voted unanimously to put it on the ballot. Please join us in helping Sherwood students excel by **voting yes on Measure 34-254**.

Nanci Stauffer Sherwood Education Association President

Patina Fieken OSEA President, Sherwood Chapter 103

This information furnished by:

Sherwood Education Association and Oregon School Employees Association Sherwood Chapter 103

## **Argument in Favor**

Sherwood schools are extraordinary because of the strong support they receive from the community. Today, we need the community to continue its support by voting **yes on Measure 34-254**, which will provide much-needed funding for **construction**, maintenance, safety/security upgrades and curriculum enhancements.

As Sherwood continues to grow, classrooms and facilities are becoming overcrowded in all its schools. Crowded classrooms hinder teachers' ability to support student success. School administrators have been creative with scheduling and building utilization, and portable classrooms have provided temporary relief. These temporary fixes are not practical going forward because of Sherwood's expected growth in student enrollment—1,400 additional students over the next decade.

Measure 34-254 will build a new high school and, by doing so, create space for all students throughout the district. Construction is expected to be complete in 2020; however, the bond will immediately fund improvements that will impact current students. For example, this measure will ensure all maintenance projects, such as heating and ventilation systems, roofing, plumbing and seismic upgrades, are addressed and brought up to date. It will also pay for curriculum enhancements throughout the district, including technology upgrades and new program offerings.

By including curriculum, technology upgrades and maintenance in the bond, we will free up general fund dollars to pay for additional staff, new program offerings and increased support for students. Again, these benefits will be enjoyed by current students starting immediately after the bond passes.

This measure is the product of community input and careful planning by the school board. We, the members of the parent and teacher advisory groups (PAC/PTAC) of all Sherwood schools, support Measure 34-254 and ask you to vote "yes" for this important school measure.

Sherwood High School, PAC President Nicole Brutosky Sherwood Middle School, PAC President Michelle Ettelstein Laurel Ridge Middle School PAC President Jamie Fillinger-Palotay Hopkins Elementary PTAC, Co-President Tiffani McCoy Hopkins Elementary PTAC, President Orion Anderson Archer Glen Elementary School, PAC President Kelly McCulloch Middleton Elementary School, PAC President Gia Waugh Edy Ridge Elementary School, PAC President Julie Traina

This information furnished by:

Parent and teacher advisory committees (PACs and PTACs) of Sherwood schools

## **Argument in Favor**

Sherwood is one of the fastest-growing communities in Oregon. To accommodate this growth, our schools need to increase capacity.

Measure 34-254 will grow our capacity while minimizing the disruptive effects of construction. It will cover deferred maintenance on existing buildings, including important seismic and security upgrades. The measure will also keep our learning environment competitive by helping us stay current with technology and curriculum. Additionally, Measure 34-254 will allow the district to focus its general fund on classroom resources.

Of all the schools, Sherwood High School is experiencing the most overcrowding, and its footprint cannot be expanded further. A key aspect of the bond is funding for a new high school. The existing high school would then become the middle school, and the existing middle schools would become the new elementary schools.

This is an investment not only in our schools, but the Sherwood community. We succeed together as families and businesses by having a solid education foundation on which Sherwood's future is built!

The Sherwood Education Foundation has endorsed the bond and urges Sherwood voters to vote "yes" on Measure 34-254.

This information furnished by: Sherwood Education Foundation

# Tigard-Tualatin School District No. 23JT

# Measure No. 34-248

#### **Ballot Title**

# Bonds to Modernize Schools, Improve Safety and Technology; Reduce Overcrowding

**Question:** Shall district construct, update and repair schools; improve safety and technology; purchase curriculum, by issuing up to \$291,315,000 in bonds? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**Summary:** If approved, general obligation bonds are expected to provide funds to:

- Complete student safety and security improvements at every school;
- Rebuild Templeton Elementary School; substantially rebuild Twality Middle School and portions of Tigard High School;
- Add or renovate career education and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering Math) classrooms;
- Complete scheduled facility improvements including roof repairs/replacement, heating and ventilation improvements, worn flooring, furniture and locker replacement and field improvements;
- Add classrooms and construct one new elementary school to serve existing enrollment and future growth;
- Purchase new and replacement technology devices at every school;
- · Purchase updated textbooks and digital curriculum;
- Provide furnishings, equipment, demolition and site improvements and pay bond issuance costs.

If approved, the current tax rate is estimated to increase by approximately 37 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value or about \$111 a year on a home assessed at \$300,000.

The bonds would mature in twenty-one years or less from issuance date and may be issued in one or more series.

## **Explanatory Statement**

A committee of staff and community members spent 2015-16 studying the district's existing school facility needs, projected enrollment growth and bond measure options and costs.

The committee presented initial recommendations to the public at three Community Feedback sessions and then met again to develop a final proposal that was presented and approved by the school board.

This final bond measure recommendation includes projects that would:

#### Bring aging schools up to today's safety and educational standards:

- Templeton Elementary School rebuild;
- Twality Middle School substantial rebuild;
- Tigard High master plan renovation completion.

#### · Improve student safety and security

- School entry improvements and remote control door closures to manage visitor access;
- Replace interior locks district-wide so doors can be locked from inside the classroom;
- Security cameras;
- Fire code upgrades;
- School office relocations to improve visibility and control visitor access at Woodward, Byrom, Bridgeport, Durham

Elementary, Fowler Middle School, Tigard High and Tualatin High.

# • Complete repairs and improvements that protect and upgrade existing school facilities

- Roof repairs/replacement;
- Heating and ventilation system upgrades;
- Worn paving, flooring, furniture and locker replacement;
- Field improvements.

#### · Solve existing and projected enrollment needs

- Tualatin High School expansion;
- Art Rutkin Elementary School construction;
- Durham Center expansion.

#### • Add career education and STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Math) classrooms

- Fowler Middle School science classroom rebuild and STEM classroom remodel:
- Career and STEM classroom additions/renovations at Tualatin High, Tigard High and Durham Center.

#### · Purchase new and replacement technology

- Expand access to technology for all students;
- Make technology infrastructure improvements that provide long-term, cost-effective Internet access.

#### · Purchase new textbooks and digital curriculum

 Purchase new textbooks, updated instructional materials and digital curriculum.

#### **Cost Information:**

Cost for all projects is estimated to be \$291,315,000. If approved, the current tax rate is estimated to increase by approximately 37 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value—or about \$111 a year on a home assessed at \$300,000.

#### Citizen Oversight:

To ensure funds are used as intended, an independent citizen oversight committee would be established.

Submitted by: Supt. Ernie Brown

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## **Argument in Favor**

10 Reasons to Vote YES on Tigard-Tualatin School Bond

- Rebuilding Templeton and substantial parts of Twality and Tigard High will modernize these schools and improve safety by eliminating portables and outside classrooms.
- Building classrooms for career education and STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Math) will expand learning options and keep our Tigard-Tualatin students competitive.
- 3. Adding classrooms and a new elementary school will solve existing and projected enrollment needs.
- Replacing worn roofs, upgrading heating and ventilation systems and making other facility improvements will reduce maintenance costs and protect our community's investment in existing schools.
- New classroom door locks, school entry improvements, security cameras and school office relocations will improve student safety, district-wide.
- New and replacement technology devices will give ALL students access to updated technology.
- New textbooks and digital curriculum will provide updated instructional materials for all students.
- 8. Construction costs are rising. Building these projects today will cost less than in the future.
- 9. Safe, up-to-date schools will benefit ALL students.
- Strong schools and well-educated students will benefit our community.

Maureen Wolf Jill Zurschmeide Barry Albertson Terri Rurnette Dana Terhune Ann Dupuis Kim Kelleher Jerry Larsen Marcia Chapman Ken Betschart Shannon Moxley Darin Barnard Karen Emerson Karen Hughart Pamela Leavitt Jeff Mimnaugh Allan Niemi Jerry Nihill Sarah Rough Al Spencer John Weber Margie Greene Tristan Irvin

Tanner Johnson Stephanie Ung

This information furnished by: Maureen Wolf

## **Argument in Favor**

Keep Tigard-Tualatin a Great Place to Live, Work and Do Business

The boards of the Tigard and Tualatin Chambers of Commerce have voted to endorse the Tigard-Tualatin School District Bond Measure.

This measure would:

- Update school facilities to meet today's safety and educational standards;
- Expand access to technology and keep Tigard-Tualatin students competitive with their peers in Oregon and the US:
- Prepare students for future jobs by building more classrooms for career education and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math);
- Provide the classrooms needed to serve existing and projected student enrollments.

Tigard and Tualatin Chambers of Commerce Urge You to Vote Yes on Measure 34-248

**Debi Mollahan, CEO**Linda Moholt, CEO
Tigard Chamber of Commerce
Tualatin Chamber of Commerce

## Business Community Supports the Tigard-Tualatin School Bond

Education is the most critical link to a healthy and vibrant economy. Over and over, we have seen that good schools attract great neighbors and prosperous businesses.

Businesses know that excellent school districts contribute to employee satisfaction, company success and a positive bottom line.

#### Good schools are good for business.

In turn, businesses coming into our area provide good jobs, pay taxes that support education, contribute to school activities and athletics, and add to our overall quality of life.

#### Good schools are good for the community.

We urge you to invest in education for the long-term, positive impact it will have on our businesses, our economy, our kids and the future of our community.

Tigard Chamber of Commerce
Tualatin Chamber of Commerce
Robin and Tim McFall, owners Infinity Impressions
Monty Hawkins, owner Tualatin Indoor Soccer LLC
Ian Walters, Primo Espresso
Gerald (JR) Wegehaupt, Quality Counts, LLC
Laura Johansen, Real Estate Broker, Premiere Property Group, LLC

This information furnished by: Margie Greene

## **Argument in Favor**

Parents know School Bond Measure will make a difference for All Tigard-Tualatin Schools

Please join us in voting YES to:

- Bring our oldest schools up to today's standards

Templeton, Twality and the oldest parts of Tigard High were built when the world was a much different place. All require students to travel out of the main building to classrooms that

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open directly to the outside. The original structures are aging and their mechanical systems (heating, electrical and plumbing) are inefficient and require major updates or replacement.

This bond would rebuild Templeton, substantially rebuild Twality and rebuild the oldest parts of Tigard High. It would create updated schools with enclosed classrooms and modern systems that operate efficiently.

Measure 34-248 would also:

#### - Make improvements at ALL schools including

- Roof repairs and replacement
- Worn paving, flooring, furniture and locker replacement
- · Heating and ventilation system upgrades
- Field improvements

AND

#### - Upgrade safety and security district-wide by

- Improving school entries and replacing interior locks so teachers can lock their doors from inside their classrooms
- Adding or upgrading security cameras
- Relocating school offices to improve visibility and control visitor access at Woodward, Byrom, Bridgeport, Durham, Fowler, Tigard High and Tualatin High.

Jason Ager Rachel Ager Michael & Michelle Barrett Charles Beck Sarah Beck Carolyn Brenner Randall Brenner Lesley Clanton Natalie Como Mark & Mary Dernedde Mark & Madae Fast Susan Gage Sara Gomez Matt Hughart Les and Lori Joel Heather Keister Matt Keister Jim Kelleher Brian Leet Angela K. Leet

Lindsay Looney Tim Looney Kelly McCállister Naomi Mimnaugh Kristin Niebur Michael Niebur Julie and Matt Popma Beth and Jason Roach Katie Roberts Clair Sawin Dave Sawin Brandy Shrope Jason Snider Jodi Snider Ryan & Jennifer Walters Cori Waufle Mark Waufle Craig Wihtol

Jenny Wihtol

This information furnished by: Ann Dupuis

### **Argument in Favor**

More Reasons Why Parents Support Our Tigard-Tualatin School Bond

Measure 34-248 will benefit every student attending Tigard-Tualatin Schools by providing:

- New and replacement technology to expand access for ALL students;
- ALL students;Updated textbooks and digital curriculum at ALL schools;
- Additional classrooms to serve existing and projected student enrollments;
- More STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) classrooms to expand college and career-readiness opportunities.

Join us in **Voting YES** to maintain our excellent schools and keep our Tigard-Tualatin students competitive and prepared for future success.

Kevin & Jamie Anderson Mark and Audrev Bav Audrey Borgman Matthew Borgman Jimmy Brown Cami Bunnell Greg Bunnell Candice Coleman Dave & Dayna Cook Cruz Coronel Amanda Dickson Peter Emerson Tiffany and Ed Farah Sandee Flores Julie Frye Angela Gassner Brent Gaston Michelle Germer Matthew & Nicole Goodhue Sonnet Marie & Kodi Hermann **Brandt Hulse** Shahin Huneke Wendy Jenkins Kariná Jiricek Mark Johansen Jeff & Cindy Kamp Kendall Kamphuis Shelley Kamphuis Gretchen Kehoe Bala Kothandapani Keith and Pamela Leavitt Andrea Lenzy Amanda Lesher Sharell Lien Joe Lokis

Matt and Sarah Mattecheck Jenifer McDonald Charity & Mike McInnis Kayleen Mendenhall Angela and Bill Mullins Deanna Nihill Andres Palomino Jenna Palomino Tanya and Craig Peebles Jamie Pickens Jason and Katherine Plotkin Jennifer K. Price Mike and Jackie Purcell Prasanna Raghupathi Kelly Roberts Melissa Roderick Martin and Natasha Ryan Renee Schlachter Stacie and Michael Schoonmaker Eric & Melissia Schulz Kelly Severson Camie Sharp Enid Sorkowitz Christina Stamey Nicole Statter Betsy Volm Michael Volm Kristy Whaples Nicole and Jon White Melanie Whitt Laura Wieking Ronnda Zezula Amy Zuckerman Howard Zuckerman

This information furnished by: Karen Emerson

Megan Lokis

### Argument in Favor

Students Ask for Your YES Vote on Tigard-Tualatin School Bond

A devoted teacher and a functioning classroom produce priceless student learning. Tigard-Tualatin teachers epitomize passion and commitment. They make each student feel important and valued. We want to provide our teachers with the educational tools necessary to support their dedication and create learning spaces that inspire student success.

We ask you to help Tigard-Tualatin build this positive learning environment by Voting YES on Measure 34-248.

It would provide funding to:

- Create a safer and more secure setting for students to flourish;
- Expand our access to technology, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math) courses, and classes designed for college and career-readiness;
- Enhance the hands-on learning capability of labs, art spaces and shops;
- Provide updated textbooks and curriculum to give students the best resources for success;
- Add classrooms to create a less stressful, more productive learning environment.

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We, as Tigard-Tualatin students, gain from our instructors the skills and knowledge to last a lifetime. The passion of our teachers, combined with these needed facility improvements, will create an unstoppable force of lifelong learners.

Within Tigard-Tualatin's 10 elementary schools, 3 middle schools and 2 high schools, nearly 13,000 young minds will greatly benefit from your YES vote for this bond.

Katherine Ager Haley Barnard Lauren Brown Julia Butts Alex Coco Matthew Coco Lauren Doan Camryn Flint Nicole Hagberg Simran Kadam Teagan Langseth-DePaolis Charles Larson Lauren McFall Sam Nihill Kaylee Price Lexie Sawin **Brett Thomas** Victor Torres Reilly Wadsworth Jacob Wolf

This information furnished by: Emma Wolf

### **Argument in Favor**

Educators Urge You to Support Tigard-Tualatin School Bond

We are current and retired educators. We know that sufficient, safe and structurally sound classrooms make a difference for student learning.

That's why we are urging you to **Vote YES** on Measure 34-248.

Measure 34-248 would:

- Solve existing and projected enrollment needs by building additional classrooms and a new elementary school;
- Protect the community's investment in our schools by completing needed repairs and improvements;
- Improve safety and security at every Tigard-Tualatin school.

We are grateful to be part of this community. Tigard-Tualatin students are outstanding. Our volunteers are exceptional and our community is highly supportive.

We thank you in advance for your **YES Vote** and your continued support for *our* Tigard-Tualatin Schools!

Greg Abbott
DeeAnn Albaugh
Shawn Alderman
Tori Alderman
Brenda Anderton
Karen Aube
Shawnie Bailey
Jo Barendse
Lauri Barry
Carla Birkholz
Diane Bonica
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This information furnished by: Karen Hughart

#### **Argument in Favor**

#### Community Members STRONGLY support Tigard-Tualatin Bond Measure

We are community members without children in schools – <u>and</u> <u>we are voting YES on 34-248 and urging you to vote YES on 34-248, too.</u>

Our community is now and always has been shaped by our excellent schools. Our lives are better because we live in a community with a quality school system that produces well-educated students.

#### **Our Strong Schools:**

- Educate students who become successful adults and members of the community;
- Attract productive families who care about living in areas with high-quality schools;
- Draw successful businesses that require a talented, educated work force.

We must renew our commitment to keep our Tigard-Tualatin Schools Safe and Strong.

#### We must help our schools:

- Expand to meet growing educational and enrollment demands;
- Improve safety and security for students;
- Adapt to changing technology and classroom needs.

John Cook, Tigard Mayor Lou Ogden, Tualatin Mayor Lois Rutkin Dawn Brase Lisa M. Brownlie Jack W. Clinton Mary A. Clinton Alvin Emerson Judith Emerson Geoffrey Emerson

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Ralph Greene Carolyn Griffith Candice Kelly Wayne Kittelson Christine Larsen Jan Larsen Barbara Linder Denise McArthur Dwight McArthur Larry McClure Linda Moholt Ron Moholt Phillip Pasteris Rosemary Pasteris Mike Small Connie Tarasawa **Bonnie Taylor** Pete Taylor Paul Taylor Damon Webb Kelly Webb

This information furnished by: Dana Terhune



# The Alternate Format Ballot (AFB)

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### Vernonia School District 47J

# Measure No. 5-259

#### **Ballot Title**

#### Campus Completion, Facility Enhancements, **Technology Upgrades and Construction Debt**

Question: Shall Vernonia Schools enhance facilities and refinance debt by issuing \$6,800,000 in bonds, receiving up to \$2,700,000 matching State grant? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Summary: Up to \$2,700,000 in matching State grants are awarded to the District if voters approve this measure. If rejected, grants will be diverted to another district. A major portion of the bonds will refinance existing debt, thereby freeing up resources for general operations.

Bond and grant proceeds are also expected to fund: Construction:

- Four classrooms; one for art
- welding/metals shop building
- playground equipment at Mist and Vernonia Schools
- additional solar panels
- · football field, track, stadium and parking area
- lighting of baseball/softball fields
- cross-country/fitness/nature trail
- Indoor walking track in gym
- Upgrades:
- Mist interior and exterior: roof, gutters, siding, gym floor and classrooms
- security/surveillance systems at Mist and Vernonia
- · mechanical systems at Mist
- Improved technology
- Install well and Irrigation
- enhanced lighting systems
- site improvements, furnishing and equipping of projects and bond issuance costs

Bonds would mature in not to exceed 26 years. The estimated incremental tax rate is approximately \$0.24 per \$1,000 of assessed property value above November 2016 levels. Actual rates may differ based upon interest rates incurred and growth in assessed value.

### **Explanatory Statement**

Following catastrophic floods in 1996 and 2007, voters approved a 2009 bond measure to move the three impacted Vernonia School District schools and District Office to higher ground. The school opened in 2012, meeting FEMA deadlines and before another major flood event occurred (December 2015).

Total cost of moving the District to higher ground was \$42 million, with approximately \$13 million coming from the 2009 bond, \$12 million from FEMA, and the remainder from state and federal grants, and individual and private foundation donations. The final \$5 million needed to complete construction was borrowed.

Fundraising efforts and receipt of grants have paid these loans for seven years, but these opportunities are no longer available. Payments on these loans will now come 100% from the general fund budget, impacting classroom programs. Further, certain key capital projects from the original campus design were never completed due to lack of funding. The proposed bond will tackle all of these issues. Importantly, the District was recently awarded a \$2.7 million matching grant from the State of Oregon; however that money will only be available if voters approve this bond.

This bond will refinance construction debt of approximately \$4.1 million. Current loan payments of \$408,000/year (equivalent to 5 full-time teachers, or 20 days of school) will be eliminated

if voters approve this bond. These loan payments will continue, and be paid from general funds, if voters reject this bond.

If this bond is approved Vernonia voters will have a \$47 million dollar school campus project for the overall price of \$19.8 million in local bonded debt.

The bond and matching grants are expected to fund:

- Refinancing existing debt, freeing up resources for general operations to support classroom learning.
- Constructing, furnishing and equipping new classrooms (including a dedicated art room) and welding/metals shop.
- Protecting the community's investment in Mist Grade School by replacing roofs, gutters, siding, flooring and mechanical systems.
- Improving technology with additional equipment and wireless access.
- Installation of playground equipment at both school campuses.
- Additional investments in school safety through installation of supplementary security systems.
- Completing athletic fields and facilities on the Vernonia Schools campus.
- Installation of irrigation system for natural resource programs and landscaping.
- Other site improvements, furnishings, equipping of projects and Bond issuance costs.

For the 2009 Bond, the District estimated a tax rate of \$1.90 per thousand of assessed value. Because of low interest rates, strong growth in assessed values, and a recent refinancing of the 2009 Bond, the actual rate paid was lower. The addition of this bond is estimated to not exceed that original \$1.90 per thousand rate, with an incremental cost of approximately \$48 per year for property assessed at \$200,000. Actual rates may differ depending on interest rates incurred and changes in assessed value.

New property owners moving into the community would pay for the projects through new property taxes that could reduce the share paid by existing property owners.

Submitted by: Aaron Miller, Superintendent

No Arguments in Favor or Opposition of this measure were filed.

# Washington County Fire District #2

# Measure No. 34-268

#### **Ballot Title**

#### **Dissolution of Washington County Fire District #2**

**Question:** Shall Washington County Fire District #2 be dissolved and its assets transferred to Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue?

**Summary:** This measure will dissolve Washington County Fire District #2 (District #2) and complete annexation to Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue (TVF&R) effective June 30, 2017.

District #2's budget will not sustain current or future staffing levels needed to meet increased demands for service. This measure will stabilize funding for fire, medical and emergency services and ensure continued fire protection to area residents. District #2's tax rate of \$1.12 and local option levy of \$0.57 (total of \$1.69) will be eliminated. TVF&R's permanent tax rate of \$1.52, and local option levy of \$0.45 (total of \$1.97) will be assessed. TVF&R's bonded indebtedness will also be assessed, currently at \$0.1026.

Annexation would mean the addition of firefighter paramedics with advanced life support training to every medical call, improving response to emergencies such as heart attacks or traumatic injuries. Annexation would improve the ability to get enough firefighters on scene quickly to start fire attack methods that would otherwise be delayed. TVF&R would take ownership of buildings and equipment currently being used for fire protection services.

### **Explanatory Statement**

The purpose of this measure is to stabilize funding for fire, medical and emergency services and to ensure continued fire protection to area residents.

Washington County Fire District #2's tax rate of \$1.12 and local option levy of \$0.57 (total of \$1.69) will be eliminated. Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue's permanent tax rate of \$1.52, and local option levy of \$0.45 (total of \$1.97), will be assessed. TVF&R's bonded indebtedness will also be assessed, currently at \$0.1026. TVF&R's local option levy is scheduled to expire on July 1, 2020.

As of March 1, 2016, TVF&R has provided all of the services previously provided by District #2 to residents in North Plains, Midway, Scholls, Helvetia, Rock Creek and central Washington County. Washington County Fire District #2 leaders approached TVF&R for a partnership since their budget and resources will not sustain current or future staffing levels needed to meet rising demands for service.

Annexation would mean the addition of firefighter paramedics with advanced life support training to every medical call, improving response to emergencies such as heart attacks or traumatic injuries. Annexation would improve the ability to get enough firefighters on scene to start fire attack methods that would otherwise be delayed.

TVF&R would provide all administrative services, training, maintenance, facility upgrades, and take ownership of District #2 buildings, property and equipment.

Submitted by:

Cassandra Úlven, Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue

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### **Argument in Favor**

#### **District 2 Firefighters Support Annexation**

For many years, we have proudly served the citizens of North Plains, Midway, Rock Creek and central Washington County. Though we've done our best with limited resources, our communities and call volume have grown to the point that we need more firefighters to be able to respond quickly and effectively.

Before the contract with TVF&R, there were only two firefighters on duty at each of our two fire stations. Though some emergencies can be handled by just two firefighters, it can be difficult and dangerous during a fire, complicated medical call or car crash when there aren't enough people to perform important work.

By joining Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue permanently, our communities will be served by more firefighters, including those who are also trained paramedics. This brings a higher level of medical care to our communities than we've ever been able to provide before. We will also get better tools, vehicles and training.

We joined the fire service because we care about helping people when they need it most. Voting yes for Measure 34-268 will ensure your firefighters are equipped to serve you today and in the future.

District 2 Firefighters: Dexter J. Kindel, Scott Holverson, Mick Carey, Trevor Herb, Tom Lillegard, Nathan Kust, Jordan Graybeal, Pete Lux, Billy Tuning, Frank Ewing, Tim Hays, Carl Horning

This information furnished by: District 2 Firefighters

### **Argument in Favor**

**Tualatin Valley Firefighters Support Annexation** 

TVF&R and Washington County District #2 firefighters have long-shared the same outlook:

We're willing to risk our lives to save yours.

There are a lot of things we do to ensure we're prepared to answer a call for help.

We stay fit. We train hard. We act with integrity. We exercise compassion. We work as a team.

Tualatin Valley Firefighters believe that the team of responders serving central Washington County will grow even stronger if the community chooses to support annexation.

We can provide a deeper level of service by adding more firefighters and leveraging an established emergency response system at a better cost than District #2 could achieve on its own.

#### In service,

International Association of Fire Fighters, Local 1660

This information furnished by: International Association of Firefighters, Local #1660

### **Argument in Favor**

#### WE CARE ABOUT THE FUTURE OF OUR COMMUNITIES

As the Board of Directors for Washington County Fire District #2, our priority has been to secure the best possible emergency

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services for our citizens at the best price. In recent years, we've faced funding limitations that have made it difficult to sustain adequate staffing, plan for capital improvements and comply with national standards.

Annexing into Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue's service area will increase staffing at our stations to a minimum of threeperson crews, including a paramedic who can provide critical medical care in the field. It will also improve our business functions and infrastructure.

As the city of Hillsboro continues to annex developable properties away from our service area, our revenue is impacted. Our levy, which is due to sunset next year, isn't sufficient to keep up with costs. The rate of a replacement levy that will be needed to maintain, let alone increase, staff will be much higher than TVF&R's.

We strongly believe the transition to TVF&R secures the best possible future for emergency response in our communities.

President Butch Kindel Vice President Don Haynes Secretary Peggy Halley Director Robert Satterwhite Director Mike Thompson

This information furnished by: District 2 Board

### **Argument in Favor**

On a hot, dry day this past August, a brush fire on my property on Mason Hill Road nearly burned down my barn. Firefighters from TVF&R were first on scene. They worked fast, protected structures and kept the fire from spreading into timber. Without their response, it could have become a wildfire.

If there's ever another fire on my property, or at a neighbor's, I want to know there will be enough firefighters with the right training and equipment to respond.

I support TVF&R and the prospect of them providing permanent service to our area.

This information furnished by: Mark Todd

### **Argument in Favor**

#### **TVF&R Makes Sense for North Plains**

Our town is growing. And even though we're working hard to ensure that we grow slowly and carefully, we're experiencing more activity such as traffic, development and service demands... including calls to 911.

TVF&R serves several cities like ours. Due to economies of scale, they're able to provide a deeper level of service at a lower cost than cities can do on their own.

The North Plains City Council believes that TVFR can provide dependable and economical service to the residents of North Plains while maintaining the feel of a small-town department.

**North Plains Mayor David Hatcher Council President Teri Lenahan Councilor Charlynn Newton Councilor Robert Kindel Councilor Scott Whitehead Councilor Larry Gonzales** 

This information furnished by: North Plains City Council

### Argument in Favor

As the owners of a Christmas tree farm, our livelihood grows in the ground.

If there is a nearby grass or brush fire, our livelihood could be at risk. It's important that we have a reliable fire service provider. We support Measure 34-268 and welcome Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue to our community.

Patti and Terry Burns, Owners of Loch Lolly Christmas Forest

This information furnished by: Loch Lolly Christmas Forest

### Argument in Favor

#### **SCHOLLS GRANGE SUPPORTS MEASURE 34-268**

At our regular meeting on September 7, the membership of Scholls Grange #338 unanimously approved support of dissolving Washington County Fire District 2 and receiving service permanently from Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue to improve fire suppression and advanced first aid in our area.

We realize it will cost a bit more initially, but staying with WCFD2 would probably cost more in the long run for a lower level of service. Joining TVFR may also lower our fire insurance

### WE URGE YOU TO VOTE YES ON MEASURE 34-268

Scholls Grange #338

This information furnished by: Scholls Grange #338

### Argument in Favor

Statement in Support

With over 15 years of experience in federal law enforcement and 10 years of service in local law enforcement, I know having reliable emergency services is critical.

I support Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue providing permanent fire protection and emergency medical services to North Plains. Having TVF&R as a service provider enhances the overall security of our community.

TVF&R offers additional resources and highly trained firefighters equipped to help our neighbors and area businesses when they need it most. As a current Police Chief in the state of Oregon, I find it an absolute necessity to have a highly trained and professional emergency fire service protecting our city.

Jesse Baker, North Plains resident

This information furnished by: Jesse Baker

### Argument in Favor

TVF&R is progressive and economical.

For many years, I've worked alongside the firefighters and volunteers of Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue. Whether it's on an emergency scene or during a home visit, their personnel always conduct themselves respectfully and professionally.

Washington County Sheriff's Office and TVF&R have partnered on several programs to create safer communities, including a Mental Health Response Team pilot, demonstrations about

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impaired driving at local high schools and cardiac arrest response to improve survival rates.

TVF&R uses investments wisely and cares deeply about safety in Washington County.

#### **Washington County Sheriff Pat Garrett**

This information furnished by: Pat Garrett

#### **Argument in Favor**

#### Stronger Together

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue's history is based on partnerships.

In the 1940's, farmers and other rural residents of Washington County decided they could pool their resources for better fire protection. Over time, several departments and districts combined to form TVF&R of today that provides high-quality emergency medical care, fire suppression, technical and water rescue services, hazardous materials response, fire prevention, and education. As we've evolved, we've kept same ethic and stewardship of the founding farmers by being resourceful and accountable.

If you choose to join our District, TVF&R's board of directors is committed to ensuring that you and your family receive excellent service and your investments are spent wisely.

TVF&R Board President Gordon Hovies

This information furnished by: Gordon Hovies

### **Argument in Favor**

As county leaders, we support Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue extending service permanently to residents of Washington County Fire District 2 if the district dissolves.

It is critical to the safety and security of county residents, businesses and visitors to have a financially stable and dependable fire and emergency medical services provider.

TVF&R is a trusted community partner across the region that the people of Washington County can rely on for excellent service.

Andy Duyck, Washington County Commission Chair Dick Schouten, Washington County Commission Vice Chair Greg Malinowski, Washington County Commissioner Roy Rogers, Washington County Commissioner Bob Terry, Washington County Commissioner

This information furnished by: Cassandra Ulven

### **Argument in Favor**

The Scholls Women's Club is a volunteer organization in service to the Scholls community. We understand our local firefighters' need for increased resources in both equipment and manpower in order to continue the excellent job they do. We therefore endorse enfolding them into the Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue organization, which can provide the resources to ensure our community's safety.

Mary Jo Bartels President, Scholls Women's Club

This information furnished by: Scholls Women's Club

### **Argument in Favor**

The Rock Creek of today has changed a great deal from the community it was decades ago. Rock Creek deserves a full-service fire department. As a retired fire chief, I support Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue permanently providing fire, medical and emergency services to my community. TVF&R is an agency we can count on.

Dave Fox, Rock Creek resident

This information furnished by: Dave Fox

### **Argument in Favor**

#### **FARMERS SUPPORT 34-268**

Each year, agricultural operations in Washington County generate nearly half a billion dollars in sales. This benefits our economy and contributes to the beauty and livability of our county.

A fire can devastate an agricultural business. If a fire occurs at a farm, nursery or orchard, it's imperative that firefighters can respond quickly to limit damage and protect property.

We support Measure 34-268 because we need a stable fire service provider. This impacts our insurance rates and our livelihood.

#### The Washington County Farm Bureau

This information furnished by: The Washington County Farm Bureau

# Measure No. 34-269

#### **Ballot Title**

#### **Permanent Tax Rate Limit**

**Question:** Shall District adopt permanent rate limit authorizing levy of up to \$0.09 per \$1,000 assessed value, beginning fiscal year 2017-18?

Summary: Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District serves all of Washington County. District services promote voluntary efforts to improve water quality, protect water supply from pesticides, prevent soil erosion, support forest health, enhance fish/wildlife habitat, control invasive/ noxious weeds, restore streams and conserve natural areas. The District does not make or enforce regulations. The District is currently funded through short-term grants or agreements. This request resulted from a multi-year outreach initiative by the District to assess unmet natural resource needs. The District asks voters to approve a permanent rate limit under which the maximum amount the District can levy is \$0.09 per \$1,000 assessed value. This rate by law cannot be raised. If the maximum amount is levied, it will cost no more than \$18 per year on a property valued at \$200,000. The revenue raised will allow the District to provide education, technical assistance, and project funding to urban and rural residents, farmers, foresters, business owners, public schools, and public agencies. District financial reports are audited annually and available to the public.

### **Explanatory Statement**

The Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District was established in 1955 to protect and enhance the natural resources in Washington County. The District's jurisdiction is county-wide. The District provides education, technical assistance, and project funding to local landowners about how to protect our clean water, maintain healthy soil, protect fish and wildlife, and strengthen the agriculture and forest economy. The District's work in rural areas protects waterways that flow through urban and suburban Washington County. To date, the District has worked primarily with rural residents and local farmers. The District frequently partners with local, state and federal organizations to work on projects critical to Washington County's environment and economy. Currently, the District's only sources of revenue are short-term grants or agreements.

In recent years, the District has seen an increased request for services that exceed the District's ability to provide assistance. Starting in December 2014, the District conducted listening sessions with county stakeholders as well as online and mail surveys to solicit citizen input on where the District should invest its resources. Strong community requests were made for the District to increase its efforts for sustainable management of County water, working lands and open areas, increase work in rural and agriculture areas, give technical assistance to private forest/wood land owners, and extend services to urban areas. Stable funding is required to perform core vital functions and also meet the requested services.

The District prepared a business plan incorporating these citizen requests (available on its website) which explains how it intends to meet the needs and how the proposed revenue would be used.

- · Protect clean water for drinking and for fish and wildli fe.
- Encourage good stewardship practices that keep pesticides and fertilizers out of our water supply.
- Educate landowners about efficient irrigation and how to minimize the use of water.
- Improve soil health by controlling erosion, fighting invasive weeds, and protecting against damaging rainstorms and drought.

- Partner with urban landowners, neighborhood organizations, and public agencies to plant trees in urban areas and promote urban farms/gardens.
- Help small woodland and private forest owners improve forest health, protect water quality, reduce fire risks, and improve fish and wildlife habitat.
- Educate county residents, particularly children and youth, educators, and underserved residents, to learn about conservation, nature, and gardening.
- Support local farmers who provide fresh, healthy, affordable food and beverages.
- Promote better protection of pollinators.
- Support partnerships with the Tualatin River Watershed Council and farmers markets.
- Work with partners to fill mutually-identified gaps while avoiding duplication.

Washington County is growing. Protecting natural resources and meeting the growing need for services requires the District grow with these needs. The proposed tax rate limit will allow the District to expand technical assistance, conservation planning, and education to more rural landowners and also to forest owners and urban residents.

Submitted by: John A. McDonald Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District

No Arguments in Opposition of this measure were filed.

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### **Argument in Favor**

Educators, Outdoor Recreation, and Health Support Measure 34-269

Measure 34-269 will let the Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District (TSWCD) expand its education programs to get youth outdoors and teach about conservation, nature, farming and gardening.

Measure 34-269 will create more classroom time for conservation and land stewardship.

TSWCD visits classrooms each year to teach students about watershed health. In 2016, TSWCD hosted its workshop to train teachers on soil health curriculum for their classrooms. More funding would allow the TSWCD to visit more classrooms, increase teacher training and curriculum development, and increase participation in conservation themed extracurricular activities.

When kids are outdoors, they learn better. When people are outdoors, they are healthier.

Research shows that when kids are outdoors in green spaces 20 minutes during the school day, they can focus and learn more. Other research demonstrates that time in greenspace reduces stress and increases physical activity. Measure 34-269 would allow the District to expand on programs like Know Your Watershed and the Student Watershed Research Project to grow opportunities to get kids outside and active.

Measure 34-269 will help urban residents do more to contribute to conservation.

TSWCD also is a resource for adults. Whether you're interested in a rain garden to capture and clean water, or you want to grow native plants to attract pollinators, TSWCD runs a variety of programs to help urban residents take an active role in conservation. Measure 34-269 will give TSWCD the funds they need to reach the 11,000 new people coming into the County, new farmers taking over their grandparents' grass seed operation, or new forest owners interested in supplying quality furniture.

Join us in supporting an investment in our education and our future. Vote YES for Measure 34-269.

Oregon Public Health Institute
Kaiser Permanente
Enedelia Schofield, Principal-Butternut Creek Elementary School
The Mazamas
Sue Manning, Science Teacher
Ken Barker, President, NW Discoveries
Charissa Jones, Environmental Educator
Jackson Bottom Wetlands Preserve, non-profit organization

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This information furnished by: Yes for Clean Water and Healthy Soil Committee

### **Argument in Favor**

Oregon's Conservation Community Says YES on Measure 34-269

Washington County is growing at a rate of 11,000 people each year, adding more and more pressure on our rivers and natural areas. Organizations like the Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District (TSWCD) help keep water clean and restore natural areas for fish and wildlife. TSWCD will become even more important as Washington County continues to grow.

A YES vote for Measure 34-269 is a YES vote for Washington County's environment.

TSWCD works directly with private landowners helping them to implement conservation practices that lead to enhanced fish and wildlife habitat; reduced pollution in waterways; and more productive and sustainable farms and forest lands. TSWCD's work is limited by the lack of a stable funding source.

To keep our natural areas healthy, the Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District will need a stable funding source.

With stable funding TSWCD will be able to create and expand programs designed to protect the drinking water supply from pesticides and fertilizers, enhance natural areas, restore fish and wildlife habitat, and educate youth on the importance of nature and conservation.

TSWCD is uniquely suited to play this critical role to help enhance conservation on private lands.

Measure 34-269 will allow TSWCD to protect natural habitat and provide clean water for Washington County in the face of climate change and population growth.

# Help our Washington County environment. VOTE YES ON MEASURE 34-269.

Oregon Environmental Council Oregon League of Conservation Voters Oregon Council Trout Unlimited Sierra Club, Oregon Chapter Audubon Society of Portland Tualatin Riverkeepers The Freshwater Trust Richard Van Buskirk, Chair, Tualatin River Watershed Council Urban Greenspaces Institute Wild Salmon Center WaterWatch of Oregon 1000 Friends of Oregon Friends of Trees Save Helvetia Washington County Citizens Action Network (WCCAN) Pinchot Institute for Conservation

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### **Argument in Favor**

Measure 34-269 Will Help Washington County Farms

Farming is an important part of Washington County. We have worked our land for generations and we've adapted to meet the needs of a Washington County that continues to urbanize and change.

Since 1955, Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District (TSWCD) has helped farmers meet new challenges by encouraging practices that lead to productive, sustainable farms while reducing potential pollutants in the streams. Our farms and families depend on clean water and healthy soil.

TSWCD helps farmers better manage water use, control weeds, minimize pesticide use and runoff into streams, all the while increasing productivity of food and ensuring sustainability. TSWCD has a long history of working with landowners and a philosophy to achieve results through technical assistance and incentives, not regulation.

Washington County farms benefit from TSWCD services. We need more of what they offer.

TSWCD has more work to do than its current resources can support. More farms need their expertise. Farmers take pride

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in the fact that we are good community partners. We want to do what we can to protect the quality and the quantity of our County's water supply, and improve the health of our soil so farms can be productive while managing the pressures from regulations, damaging weather events, and the need for quality farm products.

This measure will fund efforts to ensure farmers have the technical and financial assistance to help us stay in business, contribute to the County economy, and make a positive impact on our natural resources.

#### Family Farmers urge you to vote YES on Measure 34-269.

Jim Love, Love Farms, Inc.
Lyle Spiesschaert, Spiesschaert Farms
Unger Farms, Inc.
Leedy Grange
Denfeld Orchards Inc.
George Marsh, Marsh Homestead Inc.
Dave and Ellen Vanashce, Vanashce Farm
Joseph Finegan, Finegan Farms
Alan M. Jesse, Forest Hills Farms Inc.
McKay Creek Farm
McDonald Family Farms
Faun Hosey, Farmer
Blooming Nursery Inc.
Gales Creek Farms

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### Argument in Favor

#### Washington County Forests Need Measure 34-269

Washington County is home to many small family woodland owners who have owned their land for generations and strive to enhance forests' wildlife habitat, water quality and timber production. These woodland owners face many challenges in being good stewards of their forests – fire, insects and diseases, and economic impacts are only a few.

Measure 34-269 will provide the Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District (TSWCD) with a stable source of funding to ensure that working forests in Washington County are healthy forests.

We know that our land is part of the Washington County ecosystem and that our operations are important for fish, wildlife, clean water, and jobs. We support using best practices to manage forestlands and that is why TSWCD is such a valuable partner.

Without stable funding, TSWCD cannot provide the level of service we need to best protect and enhance Washington County forests.

Water quality in rural areas is important because this water feeds larger streams and rivers that flow through urban and suburban areas. TSWCD has worked with many woodland owners to restore stream sides, reduce soil erosion and improve water quality, but there are many more needs that TSWCD could help with.

# Measure 34-269 will give TSWCD the resources to help all woodland owners implement best practices.

TSWCD's past record of providing help to farmers and other landowners can be extended to assist woodland owners with the best and most current management techniques for sustainable, environmentally sound forestry.

# Washington County woodland owners support Measure 34-269.

We encourage all voters who care about clean water, healthy soil, fish and wildlife habitat and sustainable forestry to join us in voting **YES on Measure 34-269.** 

Washington County Small Woodlands Association John Drummer, Co-President Karen Graham, Small Woodland Owner Robert Shumaker, Washington County Small Woodlands, Treasurer Tom Nygren, Small Woodland Owner Hayes Family, Owners of Hyla Woods Neil Schroeder, Woodland Owner Trout Mountain Forestry

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#### Argument in Favor

#### Washington County Leaders Support Measure 34-269

Washington County's combination of great cities, beautiful natural areas, productive farms and strong businesses make this a special place to call home. The work of the Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District (TSWCD) contributes to the success of all of those County institutions.

Measure 34-269 will give TSWCD the resources it needs to continue to protect clean water for homes, businesses and farms; support fish and wildlife habitat; and enhance natural lands critical to agriculture and forestry.

TSWCD has served the residents of Washington County since 1955. Its partnership with Clean Water Services and the USDA is nationally recognized for its work with local landowners for stream protection and enhancement to protect clean water and natural resources. TSWCD is a trusted partner with area agencies like Metro, the Tualatin River Watershed Council, and others.

# TSWCD will need to grow with our County in order to meet its core mission to provide clean water and healthy soil.

TSWCD is the only conservation district in the Portland Metro area without a stable funding base. TSWCD is not able to offer the same services enjoyed by our Portland, Yamhill, and Clackamas neighbors.

# With stable funding, TSWCD can provide new and enhanced services:

- protecting more of the water supply from pesticides and fertilizers
- greater wildlife conservation
- increased farm and forest productivity
- collaboration with cities and the County on water, weed control, food production, and land management
- more comprehensive youth outreach and education programs including demonstration sites where people can learn about conservation and nature.

#### Vote YES on Measure 34-269

Washington County Commissioner, Greg Malinowski Washington County Commissioner, Dick Schouten Bob Terry, Washington County Commissioner Senator Elizabeth Steiner Hayward Senator Chuck Riley Representative Margaret Doherty Representative Jeff Barker Representative Mitch Greenlick

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Representative Ken Helm Representative Susan McLain Tualatin Mayor, Lou Ogden Rick Van Beveren City of Banks Cornelius City Council

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#### **Argument in Favor**

YES on Measure 34-269 for Clean Water for Washington County

Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District (TSWCD) was organized in 1955 to support clean water and healthy soil for Washington County farms. Our services have grown with the County and our core mission of preserving water and soil quality has expanded beyond farms to include forests, homes and cites. TSWCD is a trusted expert and an important partner in providing Washington County with clean water and healthy soil.

Measure 34-269 will give TSWCD the stable funding it needs to protect its core mission of delivering clean water and healthy soil to Washington County.

TSWCD has been able to achieve a lot without stable funding:
• Between 1990 and 2015 TSWCD improved conservation on 15,688 acres of Washington County Farm Land

 In just the last two years, TSWCD contacted and provided technical assistance to over 7,100 landowners in the County and has attended over 100 events, providing information to 3,800 people about clean water, healthy soil, backyard habitat, and school gardens.

TSWCD has a 60-year track record of trusted service to Washington County, but with 11,000 new residents arriving each year, it is straining to meet the growing demand for its services--especially from urban communities and forest landowners.

Measure 34-269 will give TSWCD the resources necessary to meet the needs of a growing Washington County.

Without a stable funding base, the TSWCD is limited in what it can do. We are consistently getting requests for services that we cannot provide.

Measure 34-269 will allow TSWCD to enhance stream restoration, help keep pesticides and fertilizers out of our water, provide more support to foresters and farmers to manage their lands sustainably, work closely with Washington County and cities as they apply the best practices to manage our water and land.

Help us protect clean water and healthy soil in Washington County. Vote YES on Measure 34-269.

The Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Directors

This information furnished by: Yes for Clean Water and Healthy Soil Committee

### Argument in Favor

Measure 34-269 helps Washington County Wineries

Washington County's wine industry has seen tremendous growth in recent years. We are Oregon wine country's northern gateway and we draw visitors, create jobs and give back to local economies.

Washington County wineries support Measure 34-269.

Healthy soil and clean water form the core of our world-renowned wines. For 60 years, the Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District (TSWCD) has provided landowners with the critical education, technical assistance, and conservation planning they need to thrive. TSWCD helps us manage our lands sustainably so we are meeting yields while also ensuring beautiful waterways and natural areas of Washington County are protected.

Washington County's wine industry is growing. We need TSWCD to grow with us.

Most of the County's wineries are family-owned. Many vineyard owners are new to farming. They need technical assistance and education on the best ways to manage soil, water, and other sustainable practices the TSWCD offers. Lack of a stable funding base handcuffs TSWCD's ability to meet the growing needs of our industry along with those of cities, farmers, and foresters.

Measure 34-269 will give TSWCD the funding it needs to perform its vital clean water and healthy soil functions while adding new services that will benefit all of Washington County.

Voters of another wine producing region, Yamhill County, created a permanent funding base for their Conservation District some years ago. That District is now working with Yamhill wineries to restore oak and prairie habitat that improves agriculture and provides homes for wildlife and pollinators.

With Measure 34-269, TSWCD will be able to launch new programs that help landowners keep pesticides and fertilizers out of the water supply, promote sustainable land and water management, and restore natural habitats and greenspaces.

Vote YES for Washington County's Wine Future. Vote YES for Measure 34-269.

Ponzi Vineyards
A Blooming Hill Vineyard
Apolloni Vineyards
Montinore Estate
Mahonia Vineyards and Nursery
Raptor Ridge Winery
Elk Cove Vineyards

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### **Washington County Elections Office hours:**

Monday – Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Saturday, November 5, 2016: 9:00 a.m. – 1 p.m. Tuesday, November 8, 2016: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

### Ballots must be received by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day

### ballot dropsites

#### 24-hour drop boxes

Banks Public Library 42461 NW Market St

Cornelius City Hall 1355 N Barlow St

Forest Grove City
Pacific Ave & Birch St

**Hillsboro Main Library** 2850 NE Brookwood Pkwy

King City City Hall 15300 SW 116th Ave

North Plains City Hall 31360 NW Commercial St Charles D Cameron Public Services Bldg 155 N First Ave Hillsboro (rear entrance of building at First & Main)

Service Center East –
Washington County Elections Office
3700 SW Murray Blvd Beaverton
(front lobby drop slot at Murray & Millikan Way)

Sherwood City Hall 22560 SW Pine St

**Tigard City Hall** 13125 SW Hall Blvd

Tualatin City Offices - Council Building 18880 SW Martinazzi Ave

### Indoor drop boxes (call to confirm hours)

Beaverton City Library 12375 SW 5th St 503-644-2197

Cedar Mill Community Library 12505 NW Cornell Rd 503-644-0043 Hillsboro Shute Park Branch Library 775 SE 10th Ave 503-615-6500

West Slope Community Library 3678 SW 78th Ave 503-292-6416

### **Curbside drop-off**

**Service Center East Building – Washington County Elections Office** 3700 SW Murray Blvd Beaverton

Monday, November 7: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 8: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**K-Mart Parking Lot - South** 3955 SW Murray Blvd Beaverton

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