



Program #90010C - Elections Capacity - Ballot Production 5/2/2022

Department: Community Services **Program Contact:** Tim Scott
Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Proposed
Related Programs: 90010A, 90010B, 90010D, 90010E
Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

Executive Summary

This program offer provides additional one time only (OTO) funds to pay for the estimated \$300,000 in additional printing and processing costs associated with a two page ballot for the November 8, 2022 election. A two page ballot is a very unusual situation that has not happened since the November 7, 2000 election.

Program Summary

The City of Portland and Multnomah County have both convened statutorily required Charter Review Commissions (CRC) to examine the charters of their respective organizations and make recommendations for changes to the charter language. The recommendations by each CRC would become measures on the November 2022 ballot. Based on history, it is possible that both organizations could submit five charter measures, adding ten measures to the ballots of more than 450,000 out of 570,000 Multnomah County voters. This many measures being added to an already crowded November ballot would likely push the ballots of almost every voter to two pages. The November 2022 ballot will contain votes on Federal, State and Local candidate contests as well as many state and local measures.

Elections has estimated that the second ballot page printing costs and labor for processing the additional page would cost \$300,000. Elections' main program offer (90010A) does not have the capacity to absorb an additional \$300,000. This one-time-only program offer would cover these additional costs.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY21 Actual	FY22 Budgeted	FY22 Estimate	FY23 Offer
Output	Minimum number of voters served by the second page ballot	N/A	N/A	N/A	456,492
Outcome	Two page ballot printed	N/A	N/A	N/A	yes

Performance Measures Descriptions

Minimum number of voters served by the second page ballot is the number of voters likely to receive a ballot that contains both City of Portland and Multnomah County charter amendment measures along with other candidate contests and measures.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Multnomah County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 5, describes the process for county initiative/referendum petitions and how to fill vacancies in county elective offices. Multnomah County Administrative Rules, Multnomah County Language and Effective Communication Policy, Oregon Administrative Rules, Chapter 165, addresses state-wide uniformity in the conduct of elections. Oregon Revised Statutes, Chapters 246 through 260, provide legal authority for conducting elections in Oregon. Federal mandates (Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, The Voting Rights Act, The National Voter Registration Act, The Help America Vote Act and the Military and Overseas Empowerment Act) establish election administration standards.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2022	2022	2023	2023
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$43,200	\$0
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$256,800	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$300,000	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$300,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

This program is supported by County general funds one-time-only.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was:

New program offer request in FY 2023.