

Notice of County Measure Election

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County and Notice Information

Notice is hereby given on July 14, 2010, that a measure election will be held in

Multnomah County
Name of County or Counties

County, Oregon on Nov. 2, 2010.
Date of Election

The following shall be the ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the county's voters.

Caption 10 words

See attached Measure E.

Question 20 words

Summary 175 words

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Jeff Cogen
Printed Name of Authorized County Official

Chair
Title

MEASURE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Required for all Measures
Submitted with Multnomah County Elections

ELECTION DATE Nov. 2, 2010		MEASURE NUMBER 26-113
BALLOT TITLE CAPTION Multnomah County Election to Fill Vacancies		
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BALLOT MEASURE E

CAPTION: Multnomah County Election to Fill Vacancies.

QUESTION: Shall election dates for vacancies be limited to the May and November elections?

STATEMENT: The measure amends the Charter. Currently an election must be held at the next available election date to fill a vacancy of a year or more in a county elective office. If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, the Board must call a special runoff election. The primary and general election dates in even-numbered years normally have multiple issues and jurisdictions that share the cost of the election. If the Board calls for an election on a date when no other matters are on the ballot, it must pay the entire cost of the election. This measure amends the Charter to limit the election dates for vacancies to the May or November elections. The measure takes effect on November 3, 2010.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Oregon statutes allow that a local government may hold elections on four dates:

1. second Tuesday in March;
2. third Tuesday in May;
3. third Tuesday in September; or
4. first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

The Charter now requires the Board to call an election to fill a vacancy on the next available election date, and if no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, the Board must call a special runoff election.

Normally, other local governments share the cost of primary and general elections in even-numbered years. If the Board must call an election for a date when there are no other matters on the ballot, the county must pay the entire cost of the election.

This measure amends the Charter. It limits elections to fill vacancies to the May and November election dates. This measure may reduce County election costs.

The Charter Review Committee recommends this measure.

The measure will take effect November 3, 2010.

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