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Notice of Measure Election  
District

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Notice

Date of Notice 1/4/2018	Name of District Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue	Name of County or Counties Washington, Clackamas, Multnomah	Date of Election March 13, 2018
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**Final Ballot Title** The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the district's voters. The ballot title notice has been published and the ballot title challenge process has been completed.

**Caption** 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure.

Annexation of City of Newberg Territory by TVF&R (8 words)

**Question** 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure.

Shall Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue annex the City of Newberg territory to provide fire, emergency medical, and ambulance services? (20 words)

**Summary** 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect.

In 2016, the City of Newberg signed a two-year contract with Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue District (TVF&R) to provide fire protection, advanced emergency medical, and ambulance services. During the contract, elected leaders of TVF&R and Newberg evaluated the feasibility and cost-benefit of annexation. In June 2017, the Newberg City Council approved annexation to TVF&R, subject to voter approval. Voters residing within the City of Newberg voted on the question of annexation to TVF&R in Yamhill County measure 36-190. The outcome of that November 8, 2017, election was 69.32% in favor of annexation.

This measure seeks approval of the annexation from voters residing in TVF&R's existing service area. Once annexed, the City of Newberg residents will pay the same tax rate as existing TVF&R patrons. They will also become eligible to vote for TVF&R directors and on any future TVF&R property tax proposals. This measure will not increase taxes paid by existing TVF&R patrons. (154 words)

**Explanatory Statement** 500 words that impartially explains the measure and its effect.

If the county is producing a voters' pamphlet an explanatory statement must be drafted and attached to this form for:  
→ any measure referred by the district elections authority; or  
→ any initiative or referendum, if required by local ordinance.

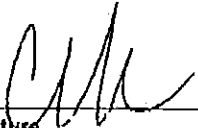
Explanatory Statement Attached?  Yes  No

**Authorized District Official** Not required to be notarized.

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By signing this document:  
→ I hereby state that I am authorized by the district elections authority to submit this Notice of Measure Election; and  
→ I certify that notice of receipt of ballot title has been published and the ballot title challenge process for this measure completed.

Signature 

January 4, 2018

Date Signed

## **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT (500 words maximum)**

Approval of this measure would annex all the territory within the City of Newberg into Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue. Annexation was proposed by the elected bodies of TVF&R and the City of Newberg. Voters residing within the City of Newberg voted on the question of annexation to TVF&R in Yamhill County Measure 36-190. The outcome of that November 8, 2017 election was 69.32% in favor of annexation.

If TVF&R voters also approve annexation of the City of Newberg territory, the City of Newberg residents will pay the same tax rate as current TVF&R residents beginning July 1, 2018. They will also become eligible to vote for TVF&R directors and on any future TVF&R property tax proposals. TVF&R's combined tax rate is \$2.0799, which includes a permanent tax rate of \$1.5252 per \$1000 of assessed valuation, a local option levy of \$0.45 (expiring in 2020), and a bond levy of \$0.1047.

Approval of this measure will not increase taxes for existing TVF&R residents and could possibly decrease the rate paid on bonded debt. TVF&R will also receive all fire and emergency response assets such as fire stations, equipment, and apparatus, from the City of Newberg.

TVF&R's history is based on similar voluntary and mutually beneficial annexations. TVF&R took shape between 1972 and 2016, as a number of city fire departments and rural districts consolidated to share limited resources and save money. TVF&R achieves cost savings through economies of scale such as buying trucks and equipment in bulk, reducing administrative overhead, and leveraging a system of response to strategically locate stations, resources, and personnel.

A "yes" vote approves annexation. A "no" vote rejects annexation. (273 words)