

Charter Amendment Process



April 20, 2022
Charter Review Committee Meeting
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Overview

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Multnomah County Home Rule Charter

- The Charter establishes the structure, organization, and powers of County government
- The Charter does not establish programs, operation, or administration, such as departmental functions and budgets
- The Charter is often described as functioning like a constitution
 - Foundational principles
 - Balancing enough detail to convey intent with enough flexibility to allow for adjustments as circumstances change and lessons are learned
- The Charter can be amended only by the voters—Charter Review Committee, initiative petition, Board referral

Process Timeline



Process Timeline: Before Filing with the Elections Division

Timeline	Action Item
January–June	MCCRC identifies concepts for proposed Charter amendments
April–July	County Attorney’s Office conducts legal review and drafts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="993 528 1586 568">● Text of Charter amendment<li data-bbox="993 579 1251 620">● Ballot title<li data-bbox="993 631 1495 671">● Explanatory statement
No later than August 4, 2022 Charter Section 12.60—at least 95 days before election	MCCRC presents final report, including text of amendments, ballot title, and explanatory statement, to the Board
No later than August 18, 2022* <i>*Recommended</i>	Board adopts Resolution submitting proposed amendments to the voters

Procedural Review

- Single Subject
- Separate Vote
- Legislative Enactment

- Single Subject: Each amendment covers “one subject and matters properly connected therewith”
 - Separate Vote: Amendments submitted so that “each amendment shall be voted on separately”
 - Legislative Enactment: Policy of general applicability that is permanent in nature
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Ballot Title

ORS 250.035

- **Caption:** 10 words which reasonably identify the subject of the measure
- **Question:** 20 words which plainly phrase the chief purpose of the measure
- **Summary:** 175 words concisely and impartially summarizing the measure and its major effect

Ballot

26-182 Amends charter, commissioners may run for Chair midterm without resigning.

Question: Should charter be amended to allow commissioners to run for Chair mid-term without resigning their current elected office?

Yes

No

Voters' Pamphlet

Measure 26-182

Referred to the people by the Board of County Commissioners as recommended by the Multnomah County Charter Review Committee.

BALLOT TITLE

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Summary: The current Charter provides that if an elected official files to run for another elective office midterm they effectively resign their office on the date they file for another office. The only exception occurs in the last year of an elective term. Filing for another office in the last year of an elective term does not constitute resignation. The proposed amendment allows a county commissioner to run for county chair midterm without resigning their current elected office, and clearly specifies that no other elected official may run for another elective office midterm without resigning.

A county commissioner running for an elected office midterm other than the chair's office will remain subject to the resignation provision. Similarly, the chair, auditor, and sheriff – the three other elected officials in the county – must resign their office if they run for another elective office midterm, unless they do so in the last year of their elective term.

Ballot Flyer

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

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26-181 Amends charter, extends term limits to three consecutive terms

Question: Should charter be amended to extend term limits to three consecutive four-year terms in any one office in 16 years?

Summary: The current Charter limits elected officers to two full consecutive four-year terms in any one elective county office in a 12 year period. The proposed amendment would allow elected officers to serve up to three full consecutive four-year terms in any one elective county office within a period of 16 years. The Charter would retain the provision stating that if an officer is elected or appointed to an elective county office for a term of less than four years, the time served does not count against the limitation on terms within any 16-year period.

Explanatory Statement

ORS 251.345

- 500 words
- Impartial, simple and understandable statement explaining the measure and its effect

Voters' Pamphlet

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The current Charter provides that if an elected official files to run for another elective office midterm they effectively resign their office on the date they file for another office. The only exception occurs in the last year of an elective term. Filing for another office in the last year of an elective term does not constitute resignation. The proposed amendment allows a county commissioner to run for county chair midterm without resigning their current elected office, and clearly specifies that no other elected official may run for another elective office midterm without resigning.

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Submitted by
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Multnomah County

Ballot Title - Ballot

<p>Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District</p> <p>West Side Water, Director, Zone 3</p> <p>Vote for One</p> <p><input type="radio"/> George Souder</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Abdullah</p> <p>See Full Text of Measures on Separate Sheet</p> <p>State Legislative Measures Referred to the People by the Legislative Assembly</p> <p>84 Amends Constitution: eliminates mandatory retirement age for state judges</p> <p>Result of "Yes" Vote "Yes" amends constitution, state judges not required to retire from judicial office after turning 70 years old. Mandatory retirement age.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>85 Amends Constitution: allows investments to be qualified by public universities to boost financial risk and increase investments to benefit students.</p> <p>Result of "Yes" Vote "Yes" vote allows public universities to invest in equities.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>86 Amends Constitution: requires 1.5% of state lottery net proceeds to fund support services for Oregon veterans.</p> <p>Result of "Yes" Vote "Yes" vote requires 1.5% of state lottery net proceeds to fund support services for Oregon veterans.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>87 Amends Constitution: requires current list of authorized purposes for spending state bonds to be available to the public.</p> <p>Result of "Yes" Vote "Yes" vote requires current list of authorized purposes for spending state bonds to be available to the public.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>Review Both Sides</p>	<p>State Initiative Measures Proposed by Initiative Petition</p> <p>87 Increases corporate income tax while sales exceed \$25 million. Funds education, healthcare, senior services.</p> <p>Result of "Yes" Vote "Yes" vote increases corporate income tax when sales exceed \$25 million. Funds education, healthcare, senior services.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>88 Requires state funding for drug prevention, career and college readiness programs in Oregon high schools.</p> <p>Result of "Yes" Vote "Yes" vote requires state funding for drug prevention, career and college readiness programs through grants to Oregon high schools to fund a new program.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>89 Amends Constitution: allows investments to be qualified by public universities to boost financial risk and increase investments to benefit students.</p> <p>Result of "Yes" Vote "Yes" vote allows investments to be qualified by public universities to boost financial risk and increase investments to benefit students.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>89 Creates "Outdoor School" and increases funding available to help students.</p> <p>Result of "Yes" Vote "Yes" vote permits public universities to invest in equities.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>90 Amends Constitution: requires 1.5% of state lottery net proceeds to fund support services for Oregon veterans.</p> <p>Result of "Yes" Vote "Yes" vote requires 1.5% of state lottery net proceeds to fund support services for Oregon veterans.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>90 Prohibits purchase or sale of assets or products from certain military service occupations; civil penalties.</p> <p>Result of "Yes" Vote "Yes" vote prohibits purchase or sale of assets or products from certain military service occupations, and creates civil penalties.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>	<p>County Measures</p> <p>Referred to the people by the board of County Commissioners as recommended by the Multnomah County Charter Review Committee.</p> <p>26-181 Amends charter, extends term limits to three consecutive terms.</p> <p>Question: Should charter be amended to extend term limits to three consecutive terms?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>26-182 Amends charter, commissioners may run for Chair midterm without resigning.</p> <p>Question: Should charter be amended to allow commissioners to run for Chair midterm without resigning their current elected office?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>26-183 Amends Charter, changes elected sheriff position to appointed department head.</p> <p>Question: Should the Charter be amended to change from an elected to an appointed sheriff, effective January 1, 2017?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>26-184 Limits contributions, expenditures, requires disclosure in Multnomah County candidate elections.</p> <p>Question: Should charter require limit contributions, contain funding disclosure, expenditures by individuals and certain entities to participate candidate for county offices?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>26-185 Amends charter review committee appointment process, sets appointment, covering timelines.</p> <p>Question: Shall Office of Citizen Involvement create charter review committee candidate pool, sets timeline for application, appointment, covering committee?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>	<p>City of Portland Measures</p> <p>Referred to the People by the City Council</p> <p>26-180 Establish tax on recreational marijuana sales; dedicate proceeds for funds.</p> <p>Question: Shall Portland establish 3% tax on recreational marijuana sales, including alcohol treatment and public safety support neighborhood small business?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>Metro Measures</p> <p>Referred to the People by the Metro Council</p> <p>26-178 Revises local option levy projects related to water, water quality, fish.</p> <p>Question: Shall Metro project water, water quality, fish \$4 per 12,000 gallons of water.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>26-179 Bonds to fund affordable housing.</p> <p>Question: Shall Portland issue bonds, fund affordable housing for low income families, veterans, people with disabilities, require public oversight?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>
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Yes

No

Ballot Title Callot Flyer

FULL TEXT OF BALLOT TITLES—NOVEMBER 8, 2016 MULTNOMAH COUNTY • STATE OF OREGON

ONLY THE CAPTION AND QUESTION APPEAR ON YOUR BALLOT AND ONLY THE MEASURES FOR YOUR RESIDENCE WILL APPEAR ON THAT BALLOT.

STATE MEASURES

Referred to the People
by the Measure Advisory Committee

34 Amends Constitution: Eliminates mandatory retirement age for state judges

Referred to the People "Yes" vote amends constitutional state judges not required to retire from judicial office after turning 75 years old. Statutes currently establish mandatory retirement age.

Result of "No" Vote: "No" vote retains constitutional provisions requiring state judges to retire from judicial office after turning 75 years old, authorizing judges establishing lower mandatory retirement age.

Summary: Article VII (Amended), section 16, of the Oregon Constitution, requires state judges to "retire from judicial office at the end of the calendar year in which they turn 75 years old. Section 16 (7) authorizes laws that establish a lower age—not younger than 70 years—for mandatory retirement. Measure amends Constitution to remove provision requiring mandatory retirement at age 75, as well as provision authorizing laws requiring mandatory retirement at age 70 or older. Measure retains constitutional provision that authorizes laws permitting retired judges to be recalled to temporary active service. Measure retains constitutional provision that authorizes laws permitting or requiring judges to retire due to a physical or mental disability or any other cause that renders them incapable of performing their judicial duties.

Estimate of Financial Impact: There is no financial impact on local government revenues or expenditures. There is no financial impact on local government revenues or expenditures.

35 Amends Constitution: Allows investments in equities by public universities to reduce financial risk and increase investments to benefit students.

Referred to the People "Yes" vote allows public universities to invest in equities to reduce financial risk and increase funds available to help students. "No" vote prevents public universities from investing in equities.

Summary: This measure allows investments in equities by public universities to reduce financial risk and increase investments to benefit students. Additional investment income could benefit students by minimizing tuition increases and enhancing student programs.

Estimate of Financial Impact: This measure would have no financial impact on the state economy or local government. Section 9 of the Oregon Constitution to exempt public universities from additional prohibition on ownership by the State of stock of any company, association, or corporation.

36 Amends Constitution: Eliminates or reduces certain taxes and expenditure impact on the type and amount of private equity in which they choose (or choose not) to invest, and on the return on these investments.

Referred to the People "Yes" vote eliminates or reduces certain taxes and expenditure impact on the type and amount of private equity in which they choose (or choose not) to invest, and on the return on these investments.

36 Amends Constitution: Dedicates 1.5% of state lottery net proceeds to funding support services for Oregon veterans.

Referred to the People "Yes" vote dedicates 1.5% of state lottery net proceeds to fund veterans' services, including assistance with education, healthcare, and physical/mental health care.

Result of "No" Vote: "No" vote retains current level of authorized provisions for spending state lottery net proceeds. 1.5% dedication to fund veterans' services not required.

Summary: Article 5 (Amended), dedicates lottery funding for veterans' support services. Current law requires that 1.5% of state lottery net proceeds be used to create jobs, further education, and financial assistance. Measure dedicates 1.5% of state lottery net proceeds as follows: 1.8% to finance education, 1.5% to finance statewide and local workforce and workforce training, 1.5% to fund physical, mental health services for Oregon veterans. Veterans' services include assistance with employment, education, housing, physical/mental health care, addiction treatment, navigation, access to employment benefits, and other services for veterans, spouses and dependents. Other provisions:

Estimate of Financial Impact: This referral amends the Oregon Constitution to dedicate 1.5% of net lottery proceeds to fund veterans' services. The money in the veterans' services fund to be deposited in a veteran's services fund, to be created by the Legislature. The money in the veterans' services fund from the proceeds earned on veterans' services may include (1) reassignment, retirement, education benefits and other federal and state employment health care and addiction treatment programs; (2) assistance for veterans and their dependents to access medical and education benefits; (3) funding for services provided by veteran services agencies; (4) assistance for veterans' services officer or nonprofit or other veterans' services officers. The referral dedicates a veteran as a resident of the state of Oregon who served in the Armed Forces of the United States.

Based on the June 2016 forecast from the Office of Economic Analysis, 1.5% of net lottery proceeds for veterans' services would be approximately \$2.3 million annually for the 2017-19 biennium. The

measure would not have an impact on the constitutionally dedicated amounts for the Educational Stability Fund or the Parks and Natural Resources Fund. The measure would not affect the amount of funds collected for or expended by state government. The measure would result in an expenditure of \$1.9 million annually, during the 2017-19 biennium, to the Veterans Service Fund from economic development and public education expenditures.

Proposed by Initiative Petition

37 Increase corporate minimum tax when sales exceed \$25 million, funds education, healthcare, senior services.

Result of "Yes" Vote: "Yes" vote increases corporate minimum tax when sales exceed \$25 million; retains tax limit, exempts "small companies"; increases revenue funds education, healthcare, senior services.

Result of "No" Vote: "No" vote retains existing corporate minimum tax based on Oregon sales, tax limited to \$100,000; revenue not dedicated to education, healthcare, senior services.

Summary: Current law requires each corporation or affiliated group of corporations filing a federal tax return to pay annual minimum tax amount of 1% as determined by tax bracket corresponding to amount of corporation's Oregon sales; corporations with annual \$100 million or more pay \$100,000. Measure increases annual minimum tax on corporations with Oregon sales of more than \$25 million; imposes minimum tax of \$100,000 plus 2% of amount of sales above \$25 million; eliminates tax cap; benefit companies (business entities that create public benefit based on current law. Applies to tax years beginning after January 1, 2017. Revenue from tax increase goes to public education (early childhood through grade 12), healthcare, services for senior citizens.

Estimate of Financial Impact: The measure is anticipated to increase state revenue by \$348 million from January 1st to June 30th of 2017, and approximately \$3 billion for every year beginning July 1st after that.

The financial impact on state expenditures by program is indeterminate. The increased revenue will require increased expenditures by the state in areas of public early childhood and kindergarten through grade 12 education, health care, and senior services, but the exact amount and the specific uses within the state will vary. The measure will have no impact on local government revenues or expenditures.

38 Requires state funding for dropout prevention, career and college readiness programs in Oregon high schools.

Referred to the People "Yes" vote requires state to fund dropout-prevention, career and college readiness programs in Oregon high schools. "No" vote requires state to fund dropout-prevention, career and college readiness programs in Oregon high schools.

Result of "No" Vote: "No" vote retains current law; legislature not required to commit funds to career-technical-college-level education dropout-prevention program, retains discretion to allocate funding.

Summary: Currently, the Oregon legislature provides General Fund revenue to the State School Fund based on constitutionally required quality goals; those funds are distributed directly to school districts under a formula. The measure would require the legislature to provide at least \$800 per high school student—adjusted upward annually for inflationation—by a Department of Education (ODE) administered account. ODE distributes those funds to school districts. School districts must apply for and receive funding for career-technical education, college-level courses, and dropout-prevention programs. School districts must apply for and receive funding for specified interventions. Districts may use limited portion of the funding for additional costs but not unrelated activities. ODE administers school district performance, annuals compliance, facilitates programs. Secretary of State administers ODE transfers. Other provisions:

Estimate of Financial Impact: The measure does not affect the aggregate amount of funds collected or expended by state or local government. The measure does, however, commit a minimum increase of \$47 million to fund expenditures on career and technical preparation, accelerated learning and high school graduation improvement programs. This number could be higher if state revenues do not grow by \$1.5 billion in the 2017-2019 biennium.

Because the measure does not fund additional revenue, the measure would require the legislature to reallocate dollars from other programs expenses will be funded.

39 Creates "Outdoor School Education Fund," continuously funded through the state's outdoor school education fund.

Referred to the People "Yes" vote creates separate fund, financed through Oregon Lottery Economic Development Fund and administered by Oregon State University (OSU), to provide outdoor school programs statewide.

Result of "No" Vote: "No" vote rejects creation of fund to provide outdoor school programs statewide; retains current law; allows other OSU administrators outdoor school grants if funding available.

Summary: Presently, Oregon does not fund outdoor school programs

statewide, but, under current law, OSU assigns school districts by awarding grants according to specified criteria and providing program "Outdoor School Education Fund" (Fund) that is financed by Oregon State Lottery money distributed for economic development. Current annual distributions of Lottery revenue to Fund: Specific Fund purposes to provide outdoor school education for outdoor students; existing outdoor school program or equivalent. Continuously appropriate Fund to OSU to administer and fund outdoor school programs statewide consistent with current law's grant program criteria, may require Fund dispersal outside of grant program. Allocations to Fund shall not reduce lottery proceeds dedicated under Oregon Constitution to education, parks, beaches, water/wildlife, fish, wildlife.

Estimate of Financial Impact: This measure amends Oregon Revised Statutes to dedicate a portion of lottery proceeds for a statewide outdoor school program. In 2015, the Oregon State Legislature established an Outdoor Education Account for the purpose of funding a six day, residential, hands-on outdoor school program or equivalent for 8th and ninth grade students across the state. The Legislature did not provide funding for that fund. This measure would add \$4 million from the Department of Administrative Services Economic Development Fund. I dedicate the lesser of the following two amounts to the Outdoor Education account after the percent of the quarterly transfers to this fund or \$5.5 million quarterly, with a maximum of \$22 million each year.

The measure would result in an expenditure shift of \$22 million annually to the Outdoor Education Account from the Department of Administrative Services Economic Development Fund. The measure does not affect the overall amount of funds collected for or expended by state government. This measure would not have an impact on the constitutionally dedicated amounts for the Educational Stability Fund or the Parks and Natural Resources Fund.

100 Prohibits purchase or sale of parks or products from certain wildlife species; exceptions; civil penalties.

Referred to the People "Yes" vote prohibits purchase/sale of parks/products from certain wildlife species, exceptions for specified activities, gifts/inheritances, and certain antiquarian/instruments, civil penalties.

Result of "No" Vote: Maintains current Oregon law which does not prohibit purchase or sale of parks or products from species not native to Oregon, except for shark fins.

Summary: Existing Oregon law does not prohibit sale of wildlife products, but not to purchase or sell wildlife products. Existing federal law does not prohibit interstate sales of wildlife parts, with some exceptions. Measure amends ORS 162.222 to prohibit purchase, sale, or possession with intent to sell of park/products from elephant, rhinoceros, whale, tiger, lion, leopard, cheetah, jaguar, panther, sea turtle, shark, ray, imposes civil penalties. Creates exceptions: enforcement with intent to sell; purchase or possession by state managers under federal plan; credits, gifts, possession by sold members; enforcement with intent to sell; purchase or possession by state managers through resale; trade, gift, possession by sold members; enforcement with intent to sell; purchase or possession by state managers including prohibiting purchase/sale of a park; "certainly" including wildlife species parts.

Estimate of Financial Impact: There is less than a \$100,000 impact on local government revenues or expenditures. There is no financial impact on local government expenditures or revenues.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

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Summary: The current Charter limits elected officers to two full consecutive four-year terms in any one elective county office in a 12 year period. The proposed amendment would allow elected officers to serve up to three full consecutive four-year terms in any one elective county office within a period of less than four years. The Charter would extend the term limits for the following offices: (1) county commissioner, (2) county clerk, (3) county treasurer, (4) county auditor, (5) county assessor, (6) county administrator, (7) county health officer, (8) county auditor, (9) county clerk, (10) county treasurer, (11) county assessor, (12) county administrator, (13) county health officer, (14) county auditor, (15) county clerk, (16) county treasurer, (17) county assessor, (18) county administrator, (19) county health officer, (20) county auditor, (21) county clerk, (22) county treasurer, (23) county assessor, (24) county administrator, (25) county health officer, (26) county auditor, (27) county clerk, (28) county treasurer, (29) county assessor, (30) county administrator, (31) county health officer, (32) county auditor, (33) county clerk, (34) county treasurer, (35) county assessor, (36) county administrator, (37) county health officer, (38) county auditor, (39) county clerk, (40) county treasurer, (41) county 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Ballot Title and Explanatory Statement - Voters' Pamphlet

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MULTNOMAH COUNTY	
Measure 26-182	
Referred to the people by the Board of County Commissioners as recommended by the Multnomah County Charter Review Committee.	
BALLOT TITLE	
<p>Amends charter, commissioners may run for Chair midterm without resigning.</p> <p>Question: Should charter be amended to allow commissioners to run for Chair mid-term without resigning their current elected office?</p> <p>Summary: The current Charter provides that if an elected official files to run for another elective office midterm they effectively resign their office on the date they file for another office. The only exception occurs in the last year of an elective term. Filing for another office in the last year of an elective term does not constitute resignation. The proposed amendment allows a county commissioner to run for county chair midterm without resigning their current elected office, and clearly specifies that no other elected official may run for another elective office midterm without resigning.</p> <p>A county commissioner running for an elected office midterm other than the chair's office will remain subject to the resignation provision. Similarly, the chair, auditor, and sheriff – the three other elected officials in the county – must resign their office if they run for another elective office midterm, unless they do so in the last year of their elective term.</p>	
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NO ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OR OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.	
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Process Timeline: Filing with the Elections Division

Timeline	Action Item
No later than August 18, 2022	Board files text of proposed amendment, ballot title, and explanatory statement with County Elections Division* <i>*Restrictions on public employee political activity apply</i>
7 business days after ballot title is filed (August 29, 2022 for August 18 filing)	Last day for any registered voter who is dissatisfied with the ballot title or explanatory statement to petition circuit court for review
No later than September 8, 2022 ORS 254.103–61 days before election	Notice of Measure Election (Form SEL 801) due to county elections official, which includes final ballot title and explanatory statement

Process Timeline: After Filing with the Elections Division

Timeline	Action Item
No later than September 12, 2022 OAR 165-022-0010(2)(g)	Any person may file an argument with County Elections supporting or opposing a measure
October 19, 2022 to October 25, 2022 ORS 251.315(2), ORS 254.370	Window for mailing ballots and County Voters' Pamphlet* *Earlier for out of state electors
November 8, 2022	General Election

Measure Arguments

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

Measure 26-183

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

Don't Surrender Your Voice.

The Multnomah County Sheriff is your elected voice for law enforcement. As an elected leader the Sheriff is accountable to you, the voters, instead of being controlled by a county board of commissioners.

A "no" vote means voters will retain the right to elect our sheriff.

"We need a sheriff who is independent and accountable. Don't give up your right to make that choice. Just me voting NO." - **Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill**

Community leaders know how important it is to have a sheriff that is directly accountable to the people.

"I strive to earn your trust and your vote every day by working hard to protect and serve this community. I work for you, not an appointment from elected officials. Join me in voting no to keep it that way." **Multnomah County Sheriff Mike Reese**

"I have been a champion for excellence in law enforcement for many years. I believe we should not surrender our voice as voters in favor of trusting politicians." - **Robert Ball**

Some of the community leaders and elected officials are voting no on M 26-183

Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill
 Multnomah County Commissioner Diane McKeel
 Multnomah County Sheriff Mike Reese
 Former Multnomah County District Attorney Mike Schruck
 Former Multnomah County Sheriff Fred Pearce

Robert Ball
 Shannon Pullen, Community Mental Health Advocate
 Doreen Binder, Former Executive Director Transitions Projects Inc.

(This information furnished by Don't Surrender Your Voice)

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

Join Community and Elected Leaders in Voting No on M26-183

In 1967 voters in our community lost the right to elect their sheriff. Over the next ten years county politicians hired and fired sheriffs and put public safety at risk with some very bad choices for the county's top law enforcement officer. Let's not repeat that mistake.

The Multnomah County Sheriff's Office plays an important role in promoting public safety throughout the county. This includes community policing for the cities of Troutdale, Wood Village, and Maywood Park.

"The Multnomah County Sheriff's Office provides the law enforcement for the City of Troutdale. We value having an independently elected sheriff leading the men and women who serve and protect our community. Please join us in voting No on M 26-183."

- **Troutdale Mayor Doug Daoust & Troutdale City Councilor Larry Morgan**

"The residents of Maywood Park depend on the Sheriff's office to keep our community safe. Having an elected Sheriff gives us a voice in the selection and accountability of our law enforcement leadership." - **Maywood Park Mayor Mark Hardie**

Our county sheriff should be directly accountable to the people. Only an election guarantees that the Multnomah County Sheriff will have to appear at public forums and address our concerns. An appointed sheriff need only be responsive to the politician who arranged their appointment.

Leaders across Multnomah County know how important a strong public safety leader is to the livability and safety of our community. Please join us and other community leaders in voting no on this measure.

Gresham Mayor Shane Bemis
 Maywood Park Mayor Mark Hardie
 Fairview Mayor Ted Tostenud
 Troutdale Mayor Doug Daoust
 Troutdale City Councilor Larry Morgan
 Wood Village Mayor Patricia Smith
 Multnomah County Sheriff, Retired Bob Skipper
 Matt Miller, Gresham Business Leader
 Lia Leathers, Gresham Business Leader

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Measure Arguments

OAR 165-022-0050

- Any person may file an argument supporting or opposing a measure
 - Arguments must comply with ORS 251.395 and 251.415
 - Only words or numbers
 - No obscene, profane, defamatory language
 - Cannot incite or advocate hatred, abuse or violence toward any person or group
 - No language which may not legally be circulated through the mails.
 - Certain names of persons or organizations must be excluded (ORS 251.405)
 - Arguments are limited to 325 words.
 - Materials cannot exceed 30 square inches
 - The filing fee is \$400.00
 - A verified signature petition may be substituted for the appropriate filing fee
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Timeline Summary

August

September

October

November

8/4/22: Last day to present final report to Board; Board referral can occur at the same meeting

8/18/22: Last day for Board to refer measures and file ballot title

7 business days after ballot title filed:
Ballot title challenge deadline

9/8/22: Notice of Measure Election, with final ballot title, due

9/12/22: Deadline to file supporting or opposing statements

10/19/22 to 10/25/22: Ballots and Voters' Pamphlets mailed

11/8/22: General Election

Questions

