

Notice of Measure Election

County

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250.175, 254.103, 254.465

Notice

Date of Notice

September 7, 2022

Name of County or Counties

Multnomah County

Date of Election

November 8, 2022

Final Ballot Title The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the county'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.

See attached

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

See attached

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

See attached

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MULTNOMAH COUNTY
DIRECTOR OF ELECTIONS

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 county governing body; or
- any initiative or referendum, if required by local ordinance.

Explanatory Statement Attached?

Yes

No

Authorized County Official Not required to be notarized.

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By signing this document:

- I hereby state that I am authorized by the county 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.



September 7, 2022

Signature

Date Signed

Auditor Access to Information Ballot Title & Explanatory Statement

Caption (10/10): Amends charter: auditor unrestricted access to information, requires "right-to-audit" clause

Question (19/20): Should charter provide county auditor timely, unrestricted access to employees, information, records, and require "right-to-audit" clause in county contracts?

Summary (175/175): Under current charter, the county auditor conducts performance audits and makes reports according to generally accepted government auditing standards; may conduct studies to measure and improve county performance; assists with redistricting; appoints salary commission. Other than the reference to generally accepted government auditing standards, the charter does not expressly address or limit the method or means of conducting audits, including the auditor's access to employees, information, or records.

Under this amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee, the charter would require that the auditor be provided with unrestricted, timely access to county employees, information, and records required to perform auditor duties. The county and the auditor would determine how to provide and manage confidential or limited-access records or property consistent with any legal obligations.

The amendment would require all county contracts with outside contractors and subcontractors to contain a "right-to-audit" clause. Contracts would also be required to provide for auditor access to the contractor's employees and to all financial and performance related records, property, and equipment purchased in whole or in part with county funds.

Explanatory Statement (268/500): Under the current county charter, the county auditor conducts performance audits of all county operations and financial affairs and makes reports about those audits to the board of county commissioners according to generally accepted government auditing standards. The auditor may conduct studies intended to measure or improve the performance of county efforts. In addition, the auditor's duties include a role in redistricting, including determining the population distribution among the commissioner districts after the federal decennial census and, if needed, preparing and presenting to the board of county commissioners a plan for modifying the boundaries of commissioner districts. The auditor also appoints a salary commission. Other than the reference to generally accepted government auditing standards, the charter does not expressly address or limit the method or means of conducting audits or performing other duties of the auditor. In particular, current charter does not expressly address or limit the auditor's access to employees, information, or records.

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