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# Notice of Measure Election

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City

### Notice

<b>Date of Notice</b> 9/3/2024	<b>Name of City or Cities</b> City of Gresham	<b>Date of Election</b> 11/5/2024
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**Final Ballot Title** The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the city'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.

Amends Charter, charter amendments require approval by majority of votes.

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

Shall the Charter be amended such that changes require the approval of a majority of electors voting on the measure?

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

The Gresham Charter, adopted in 1978 and last amended in 2012, is the constitution of the City of Gresham. This amendment is referred to the voters on behalf of the Gresham Charter Review Committee (CRC); a committee of Gresham citizens.

The CRC determined the current Charter denies the will of the majority of voters approving a Charter change.

The Charter requires voter approval to change any word, phrase, grammar, or punctuation in the document. The current Gresham Charter requires that amendments must receive 60% or more of the votes in favor of the change.

If this ballot measure is approved, any amendment of the Charter would still require voter approval. Charter Section 45A would be amended to change the voter approval requirement to "A majority of votes cast on the proposed measure".

This measure has no known fiscal impact.

This measure would take effect when approved by at least sixty percent (60%) of the votes cast for or against this measure.

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

**Explanatory Statement Attached?**  Yes  No

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

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*By signing this document:*

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

*Rachael Gangelhoff*

9/3/2024

Signature

Date Signed

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CITY OF GRESHAM

The 60% vote threshold to amend the Charter is unique to Gresham. The Oregon Constitution and other cities of similar size to Gresham allow Charter amendments to be approved by a majority of electors voting on the measure.

This measure has no known fiscal impact.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS  
SECTION 45A. CHARTER AMENDMENTS

Any measure which proposes to amend, repeal or replace this Charter shall take effect only if it is approved by at least 60 percent ~~a majority of votes cast on the proposed measure.~~ ~~electors casting votes for or against such measure.~~

(Added November 4, 1986; effective November 5, 1986. Amended ...)

(New language is underlined; deleted text is ~~strikethrough~~.)

Additional Charter Review Committee information is available at: <https://greshamoregon.gov/charter-review-committee/>