

Notice of District Measure Election

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District and Notice Information

Notice is hereby given on January 26, 2015, that a measure election will be held in Clackamas County Fire District No. 1
 located in Clackamas County County, Oregon on May 19, 2015.
Name of County or Counties Date of Election

The following shall be the ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the district's voters:

Caption 10 words

GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND TO IMPROVE SAFETY AND SERVICE DELIVERY

Question 20 words

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Summary 175 words

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- Pay the costs of issuing the bonds

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The following authorized district official hereby certifies the above ballot title is true and complete.

Signature Redacted

Signature of Authorized District Official not required to be notarized

Fred Chantler

Printed Name of Authorized District Official

2/12/2015

Date Signed mm/dd/yy

Fire Chief

Title

Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet

Important! Please read all instructions before completing this form. This form is to be used when filing a 'Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet' with your County Elections office. If a local government is located in more than one county, the county clerk of the county in which the city hall of the city or the administrative office of the local government is located shall be the filing officer for the 'Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet'.

Filing Information

Election: Primary 20____ General 20____ Special May 19, 2015 Measure # _____

Ballot Title Caption

GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND TO IMPROVE SAFETY AND SERVICE DELIVERY

Name of Person responsible for content of 'Explanatory Statement' (as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):

Fire Chief Fred Charlton

Name of Jurisdiction/Organization Person is authorized to represent (as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):

Clackamas County Fire District No. 1

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SIGNATURE

Signature Redacted

2/12/2015

Signature of person responsible for content of 'Explanatory Statement'

Date

MEASURE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

See attached for 'Measure Explanatory Statement' (500 word/number MAX).

For Office Use only:

County: _____

Signed? Yes No

'Measure Explanatory Statement' attached?

Yes No

Intake Staff Initials:

Word Count (500 max):

Digital copy? Yes No

Review Staff Initials:

Clackamas County Fire District No. 1

CAPTION: General Obligation Bond to Improve Safety and Service Delivery

QUESTION: Shall Fire District issue \$29,000,000 in general obligation bonds for capital costs of emergency apparatus, firefighting equipment and District facilities?

SUMMARY: Clackamas County Fire District No. 1 is seeking voter approval to issue general obligation bonds to finance capital costs for improvements across the Fire District. Specifically, if approved, this measure would fund the construction and equipping of new facilities, purchase emergency apparatus and firefighting equipment, and improve Fire District facilities focusing on safety and service delivery. Projects include the following:

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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT:

Clackamas Fire District #1 is one of the largest fire protection districts in Oregon serving approximately 200,000 citizens within the cities of Damascus, Happy Valley, Johnson City, Milwaukie, Oregon City and the unincorporated areas of Carver, Beaver Creek, Carus, Central Point, Clarkes, Oak Lodge, Redland, South End, Sunnyside and Westwood.

The Fire District provides a wide range of services including fire suppression, advanced life support emergency medical care, fire prevention, swift water rescue, hazardous materials response, Community Emergency Response Teams, emergency management, community education and other programs. The Fire District responds to the communities' needs from 17 strategically located community fire stations with a workforce of approximately 240 employees and 100 community volunteers.

One of the Fire District's top priorities is to plan for the replacement of capital assets to include emergency fire apparatus, firefighting and communications equipment, replacement and construction of fleet maintenance and training center facilities, and to make needed improvements to community fire stations and facilities.

To manage these needs and address both safety and service delivery, Clackamas Fire District #1 is seeking voter authorization to issue general obligation bonds not to exceed \$29 million to fund certain capital projects.

The list of purchases and projects includes:

- Purchase emergency response apparatus to replace aging fire engines, ladder trucks, water tenders and other emergency response vehicles. Plans include replacing emergency response apparatus across the Fire District to meet safety standards for responders and increasing demands for service.
- Replace self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighter health and safety. Career and volunteer firefighters use breathing apparatus as respiratory protection during emergencies that are dangerous to life and health.
- Construct and equip a Fleet Maintenance Center to maintain, repair and service emergency apparatus. A new facility is needed for emergency repairs, preventative and annual inspections and vehicle maintenance of the Fire District's emergency response vehicles.
- Construct a new training center to include community training sites. The Fire District plans to replace its current training center classroom building, simulation warehouse and training tower, and make improvements to existing community training sites throughout the Fire District.
- Upgrade and improve Fire District community fire station(s), facilities and infrastructure. The Fire District plans to make seismic upgrades, improvements and major repairs to ensure a safe and productive work environment.
- Replace and upgrade communications equipment and infrastructure. Plans include upgrading and improving communications equipment firefighters use every day for emergency, non-emergency and training purposes.
- Addition and/or replacement of community fire stations to include land acquisition. The Fire District must prepare for growth to include increasing demands for service by replacing and or siting new facilities.

The proposed amount of the general obligation bonds may be issued in one or more series. The bonds will retire within 16 years of issuance of each series. The approximate levy rate is estimated to be \$.10 (ten cents) per \$1,000 of assessed value. The estimated cost per \$300,000 of assessed value would be \$2.50 per month or \$30 per year.

Clackamas Fire District #1



CLACKAMAS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1 RESOLUTION #15-01

A Resolution of Clackamas County Fire District No. 1, Clackamas County, Oregon Calling a Measure Election to Submit to the Electors of the District the Question of Contracting a General Obligation Bonded Indebtedness in an Aggregate Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$29,000,000 to Finance Capital Costs; Declaring Intent to Reimburse Expenditures; and Related Matters.

Whereas, the Board of Directors of Clackamas County Fire District No. 1, Clackamas County, Oregon (the “**District**”), has determined that a need exists for the District to finance capital costs, as more fully described in Exhibit A attached hereto, and pay bond issuance costs (the “**Project**”); and

Whereas, the costs of the Project are estimated to be not less than \$29,000,000; and

Whereas, ORS 478.410, as amended (the “**Act**”), authorizes the District to contract a bonded indebtedness, upon approval by the voters, to provide funds to finance the costs of the Project and to pay bond issuance costs, provided the total outstanding general obligation bonds, together with liabilities outstanding incurred under rental or lease-purchase agreements, may not exceed one and one-fourth percent (0.0125) of the real market value of all taxable property within the District; and

Whereas, the District anticipates incurring expenditures (the “**Expenditures**”) to finance the costs of the Project and wishes to declare its official intent to reimburse itself for any Expenditures it may make from District funds on the Project from the proceeds of voter-approved general obligation bonds (the “**Bonds**”), the interest on which shall be excluded from gross income under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “**Code**”).

Now, Therefore, the Board of Directors of Clackamas County Fire District No. 1, Clackamas County, Oregon, resolves as follows:

1. A measure election is hereby called for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the District the question of contracting a general obligation bonded indebtedness in the name of the District in an amount not to exceed \$29,000,000. Bond proceeds will be used to finance the costs of the Project and pay all Bond issuance costs. The Bonds shall mature over a period of sixteen (16) years or less from the date of issue and may be issued in one or more series.

2. The measure election hereby called shall be held in the District on the 19th day of May, 2015. As authorized by the County Clerk of Clackamas County, Oregon, and the Oregon

Secretary of State, the election shall be conducted by mail pursuant to ORS 254.465 and 254.470.

3. The District designates the Fire Chief and Finance Director as authorized representatives (each, an "Authorized Representative") to act on behalf of the District, to submit the final ballot title and explanatory statement and to take such further action as is necessary to carry out the intent and purposes described herein in compliance with the applicable provisions of law.

4. The Authorized Representative shall cause to be delivered to the Election Officer of Clackamas County, Oregon a Notice of District Measure Election in substantially the form as attached hereto as Exhibit A, which shall be approved and filed by the Authorized Representative of the District not later than March 19, 2015 (61 days prior to the election date).

5. The District hereby declares its official intent to reimburse itself with the proceeds of the Bonds for any of the Expenditures incurred by it prior to the issuance of the Bonds.

6. The law firm of Mersereau Shannon LLP is appointed to serve as bond counsel with respect to the Bonds. The District will pay the fees and expenses of bond counsel from Bond proceeds.

7. The firm of Wedbush Securities Inc. is appointed to serve as financial advisor to the District with respect to the bonds.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Clackamas County Fire District No. 1, Clackamas County, Oregon this 26th day of January, 2015.

**CLACKAMAS COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
CLACKAMAS COUNTY, OREGON**

Signature Redacted

President, Board of Directors

Signature Redacted

Secretary, Board of Directors

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF DISTRICT MEASURE ELECTION

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CLACKAMAS COUNTY, OREGON

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Signature of authorized District Official

Fred Charlton
Printed name of authorized District Official

01/28/15
Date signed mm/dd/yy

Fire Chief
Title