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Notice of District Measure Election

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Name of District Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue

Notice is hereby given on *date of election* November 7, 2006. A measure election will be held in
name of county or counties Washington, Clackamas and Multnomah County, Oregon.

The following shall be the ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the district's voters on this date: 11-7-2006

CAPTION 10 words

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue (TVF&R) General Obligation Bond Authorization

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QUESTION 20 words

Shall TVF&R issue \$77.5 million in general obligation bonds for capital improvements that support fire and emergency medical response? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property ownership that are not subject to the limits of 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY 175 words

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue provides fire and emergency medical response to approximately 420,000 people.

The bonds would fund:

- Constructing, furnishing, and equipping two additional fire stations to help meet response time goals;
- Purchasing new and replacement fire engines and other emergency response vehicles to help ensure safe and timely emergency response;
- Buying land and making site improvements for future stations and other TVF&R facilities;
- Replacing five older stations which have operational and safety issues;
- Making safety upgrades to eight stations and other TVF&R facilities to maintain response following an earthquake or other major event; and
- Constructing, furnishing, and equipping a command and business operations center to consolidate facilities and improve access to District.

Bonds would be issued over time, as funds are needed, resulting in lower costs the first two years when fewer projects would be underway.

The annual cost for a home with an assessed value of \$200,000 is estimated at \$14 in 2007 and 2008 (.07/\$1,000), and is estimated to average \$29 for years 2009-2026 (.11/\$1,000).

↓ **signature**

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

signature of authorized district official *not required to be notarized*

Jeffrey D. Johnson

printed name of authorized district official

Fire Chief

title

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 DIRECTOR OF ELECTIONS
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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT FOR COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET

Election Date: November 7, 2006

Ballot Title Caption: Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue (TVF&R) General Obligation Bond

Measure Number: _____

Name of person responsible for the content of explanatory statement

Jeffrey D. Johnson

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Title of above person

Fire Chief and Administrator

Name of the Governing Body represented

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue

By signing this document, I hereby state that I am the person responsible for the content of this statement.

✓ 
Signature

8-16-2006
Date

Instructions

- Total word count must not exceed 500 words.
- The explanatory statement is an impartial, simple and understandable statement explaining the measure and its effect (ORS 251.285).
- The explanatory statement must be typed.
- The explanatory statement must be filed with the County Elections Office in which the administrative office of the electoral district is located.
- The explanatory statement should be filed when measure filing is submitted, or no later than 5:00pm on the measure filing deadline.

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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue (TVF&R) provides emergency medical, fire suppression and prevention, and specialized rescue and HazMat services to approximately 420,000 citizens in a 210-square mile area. TVF&R serves the cities of Beaverton, Durham, King City, Rivergrove, Sherwood, Tigard, Tualatin, West Linn, and Wilsonville as well as unincorporated portions of Washington, Clackamas, and Multnomah Counties.

TVF&R has approximately 400 employees and 100 volunteers who respond to more than 31,000 emergency incidents annually.

What does this measure call for?

Voters are being asked whether TVF&R should issue \$77.5 million in general obligation bonds to:

- Construct two additional fire stations;
- Purchase replacement fire engines and other emergency response apparatus;
- Purchase land for future stations;
- Rebuild five fire stations;
- Make operational and safety improvements to eight stations; and
- Relocate the command and business operations center.

If approved, bonds would be repaid over a maximum of 20 years from their issue date.

Why has TVF&R proposed these projects for funding?

- Emergency calls responded to by TVF&R increased by over 60 percent between 1995 and 2004, according to 9-1-1 data. Construction of two additional fire stations would help TVF&R meet response time goals.
- To help ensure reliable operation, TVF&R typically replaces its fire engines and other response units after 15 years or 150,000 miles of service. The bonds would pay for approximately 15 fire engines and eight additional response units over several years.
- Competition for developable land has prompted the TVF&R Board of Directors to prioritize property acquisition for future fire stations. The bonds would contribute funds for at least two future station sites.
- Five current stations are undersized and/or have safety issues that impact daily operations. Rebuilding these stations and making safety improvements to eight others would help ensure that TVF&R is able to quickly respond to emergencies, particularly after an earthquake or other major event.
- The bonds would fund relocation and consolidation of support facilities into a new command and business operations center, which would provide easier access to TVF&R's 210-square mile service area. The current command center is on the far western edge of the service area where it is part of a neighborhood and industrial area slated to eventually be annexed into the city of Hillsboro, a community not served by TVF&R.

What would the cost be to the typical homeowner?

If authorized by voters, TVF&R would issue the bonds over time to fund the identified projects. In 2007 and 2008, when fewer projects would be under construction, only a portion of the bonds would be issued and the cost would be lower.

For a typical homeowner with a \$200,000 assessed value (AV)* the annual cost of the bond is estimated at \$14 in 2007 and 2008, or \$.07/\$1,000 AV. Over the 20-year repayment period, that same homeowner would see an estimated average annual payment of \$29, or \$.11/\$1,000 AV.

** Market value is currently 40-45% higher than assessed value per county assessors.*

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