

MULTNOMAH COUNTY



VOTERS' PAMPHLET GENERAL ELECTION – November 2, 2010

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ATTENTION

This is the beginning of your county voters' pamphlet. The county portion of this joint voters' pamphlet is inserted in the center of the state portion. Each page of the county voters' pamphlet is clearly marked with a red color bar on the outside edge. All information contained in the county portion of this pamphlet has been assembled and printed by your County Elections office.





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Dear Multnomah County Voter:

This part of your Voters' Pamphlet is provided by your Multnomah County Elections Division. It includes information about candidates and measures from local jurisdictions within the boundaries of Multnomah County. We have inserted the County's Voter Pamphlet in the State pamphlet to save on mailing and production costs. The State Pamphlet (on either side of the red color bar portion) includes federal and state candidates as well as state measures. Ballots will be mailed on Friday, October 15, 2010. **If you do not receive your ballot by October 21 please contact our office at 503-988-3720.**

Here are a few things you should know:

- Voted ballots **MUST** be received at any county elections office or drop site location by **8:00 PM, Tuesday, November 2, 2010** to be counted.
- There is something new on your ballot this election. A new law allows cross nomination of partisan candidates. Candidates for partisan office can receive the nomination of up to three political parties. The party names are abbreviated but there is a key to the abbreviations on your ballot in the upper right corner of the front page. **This only affects candidates for partisan offices so none of the candidates in the Multnomah County book will be cross nominated.** For more information please see Secretary of State Kate Brown's letter in the front of the State book.
- Not all the candidates or measures in this Voters' Pamphlet will be on your ballot. Your residence address determines those districts for which you may vote. Your official ballot will contain the candidates and issues which apply to your residence.
- Not all candidates submitted information for the Voters' Pamphlet so you may have candidates on your ballot that are not in the Voters' Pamphlet.
- This Voters' Pamphlet is on our website: www.mcelections.org. Starting at 8:00 PM on election night, preliminary election results will be posted on our website and updated throughout the evening.
- If a ballot was delivered to your residence for someone who should no longer be receiving a ballot at your address, please write "RETURN" on the envelope and place it back in your mailbox. If a ballot was sent to someone who is deceased, please write "DECEASED" on the envelope and place it back in your mailbox.

If you have any questions you can contact our office at: 503-988-3720.

Sincerely,

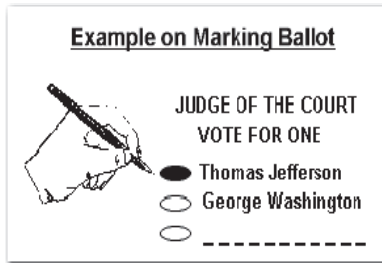
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Multnomah County Director of Elections

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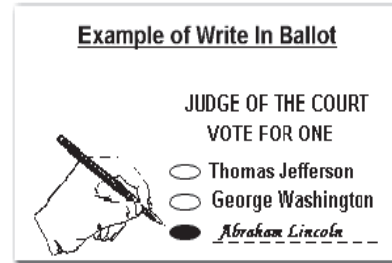
FOR YOUR INFORMATION

To ensure your vote counts, completely fill in the oval (●) to the left of the response of your choice. You may use pen or pencil.

To Write In A Name that is *NOT* printed on the ballot - Fill in the oval (●) to the left of the dotted line (_____) and write in the name on the dotted line.

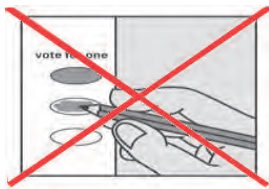


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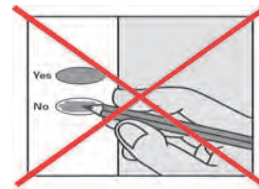


The ballot may have contests printed on front and back. Remember to vote both sides.

If you vote for more than one candidate for an office, your vote for that office will not count (unless otherwise make your intent clear on the ballot).



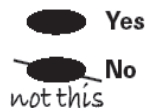
OVERVOTE!



If you make a mistake or change your mind while marking your ballot, you may request a replacement ballot from the Elections Office or you may make your changes on the ballot but it is critical that you make your choice obvious because election workers will inspect each ballot to make sure voter intent is understood and the ballot is counted correctly. Two examples of how to make your intent clear are below.



or



Make your intent clear!

The secrecy envelope is not required. If you forget to enclose the secrecy envelope your ballot will still count. You can open the return envelope and use the secrecy envelope or just deliver it without the secrecy envelope. Election workers will still preserve your privacy even if you do not use the secrecy envelope.

You are not required to vote for all offices or measures on the ballot.

Each time you move you must update your voter registration. Ballots are not forwarded. You can now update your registration online (with Oregon DMV ID). www.OregonVotes.org

If you have a disability or are otherwise unable to mark your ballot you may contact the Elections Division for assistance. Phone 503-988-3720 / Oregon Relay Service 1-800-735-2900.

Don't forget to sign your return envelope. Your ballot will not count if you do not sign the return envelope.

If you sign the wrong return envelope just cross it off and sign the correct one.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

County Commissioner, District # 2



KAROL COLLYMORE

OCCUPATION: Senior Policy Analyst, Multnomah County Chair Jeff Cogen

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Project Manager, American Heart Association; Development Director, NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon; Development Associate, Basic Rights Oregon

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: B.A., University of New Mexico

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT: Hands on Greater Portland; Q Center; Basic Rights Oregon Equality PAC

Karol Collymore: Getting things done for North/Northeast Portland.

Karol has real experience getting things done for North/Northeast Portland. As staff to County Chair Jeff Cogen, she led projects like laying the groundwork for the Kenton Library and helping start the St. Johns Farmers Market.

“Karol’s energy and commitment have made it easier to accomplish a lot in the 3 years we’ve worked together. I’m looking forward to all she’ll be able to do as commissioner.”
Multnomah County Chair Jeff Cogen

KAROL COLLYMORE: PROGRESSIVE VALUES. FRESH IDEAS. Whether it’s raising money for nonprofits or volunteering time to create a more just community, Karol lives her progressive values.

“Karol has been a consistent supporter of equal rights for the LGBTQ community. I’m thrilled at the possibility of having such a strong advocate as county commissioner.”

Bryan Boyd, former board member, Basic Rights Oregon PAC

“Karol understands that parks and access to nature in the heart of the city where people live, work and play are essential to Portland’s livability. I trust her to continue this work as county commissioner.”

Mike Houck, urban park and natural area advocate

“As a statewide leader in the pro-choice movement, I’ve experienced Karol’s commitment firsthand. I’m certain she’ll continue to support the issues we care about.”

Isaac E. Dixon, NE Portland

Karol is endorsed by over 300 organizations and community members, including:

Multnomah County Chair Jeff Cogen
Beverly Stein, former Multnomah County Chair
State Representative Tina Kotek
Gretchen Kafoury, former City and County Commissioner
Bill Bradbury, former Secretary of State of Oregon
AFSCME Local 88 (dual endorsement)
NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon PAC (green light)
Oregon League of Conservation Voters

SEIU

Sierra Club

Stand for Children

www.karolcollymore.org

(This information furnished by Friends of Karol Collymore)

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County Commissioner, District # 2



LORETTA SMITH

OCCUPATION: Multnomah County Outreach Director, U.S. Senator Ron Wyden

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Twenty years experience working to assist and protect the families of Multnomah County

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: B.A.

Communications, Oregon State University

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Volunteer: Boys and Girls Club, PTA, Head Start; Parent Volunteer, Lincoln High School; Democratic Precinct Committee Person; Treasurer, Oregon Assembly for Black Affairs.

Loretta Smith for County Commission: Working harder to help struggling families, support job creation, and protect our elderly.

Loretta has worked more than twenty years fighting for the people of Multnomah County to get their fair share. As an assistant to Congressman and Senator Ron Wyden, Loretta has helped to win:

- Funds to expand the Oregon Food Bank facility;
- Assistance for hundreds of local senior citizens in getting urgent help from federal agencies;
- Federal dollars that put people to work upgrading public school heating and cooling systems.

“Loretta is a passionate advocate and a tough fighter.”

Together, we’ve worked to solve problems big and small, and she’s the very best local leader to serve our community as

County Commissioner.”

U.S. Senator Ron Wyden

Loretta Smith for County Commission: Helping more young people succeed

- Bringing federal funding to local programs with proven track records of helping at-risk youth, like Portland YouthBuild for job skills and Friends of the Children for mentoring.
- Classroom volunteer in Portland Public Schools;
- Helping nominate over 300 young people for military academy review.

“Loretta doesn’t just talk about making a difference, she gets out there and makes it happen, as a dedicated volunteer and advocate. She’s a true leader for North and Northeast Portland.”

Tony Hopson

WE SUPPORT LORETTA!

AFSCME Local 88

Portland Police Association

Oregon Nurses Association

NW Oregon Labor Council

The Mother PAC

Green Light, NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon

U.S. Senator Ron Wyden

Sheriff Dan Staton

County Commissioner Diane McKeel

City Commissioner Nick Fish

State Senator Chip Shields

State Senator Margaret Carter

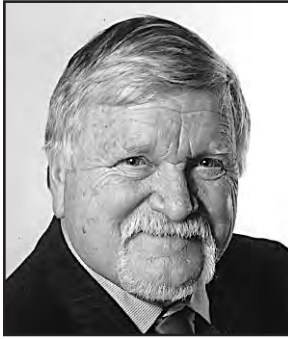
and many more...join us at WWW.ELECTLORETTASMITH.COM

(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Loretta Smith)

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METRO

Council President


**TOM
HUGHES**

OCCUPATION: Senior Policy Advisor

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: High School Teacher

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Hillsboro High; University of Oregon (B.S.); University of Arizona (M.A.); Portland State

University (Teaching Certificate)

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Hillsboro Mayor; Metro Policy Advisory Council; Hillsboro Planning Commission; Hillsboro City Council; Metro Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation; Governor's Green Jobs Council; Metro Freight Mobility Task Force

TOM HUGHES HAS CREATED THOUSANDS OF JOBS

"Hughes has an affable temperament and an easy-going style. But he is a sophisticated **AMBASSADOR FOR OUR REGION** who has **RECRUITED BILLIONS OF DOLLARS' WORTH OF BUSINESSES TO OREGON**, both here and on global trade missions."

– *Oregonian* 4/23/10

"Only one candidate, however, has a **DEMONSTRATED ABILITY** to not only understand, but **successfully foster a governmental environment that encourages JOB CREATION ...former Mayor Tom Hughes of Hillsboro.**"

– *Portland Tribune* 4/8/10

"In Hillsboro, **HUGHES OVERSAW AN EXPLOSION IN FAMILY-WAGE JOBS**. People involved in that boom give Hughes high marks for being a zealous **RECRUITER** and matchless salesman. He also mended a fractious relationship between his city and Metro and presided over growth **WHILE STILL BEING GREEN** enough to twice earn the endorsement for mayor from the **Oregon League of Conservation Voters.**"

– *Willamette Week* 5/18/10

"Under his watch, the Hillsboro area not only maintained what already was a healthy economic base but extended those **economic victories BY LANDING SUCH FUTURE-ORIENTED COMPANIES** as SolarWorld and Genentech."

– *Gresham Outlook* 4/9/10

SUPPORTED BY COMMUNITY LEADERS, SMALL BUSINESS, AND LABOR

"As a Mayor who values our quality of life, Tom traveled to Germany and Japan and **RECRUITED GREEN JOBS TO OREGON.**" – Oregon Small Business for Responsible Leadership

"Tom is the **BALANCED VOICE** our region needs. He has shown that **jobs and environmental protection** are not mutually exclusive." – AFSCME Local 3580 & 3580-1

"As Mayor, Tom wisely managed a government the same size as Metro. **He understands the challenges** facing us and **HE CAN BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER TO FIND SOLUTIONS THAT WORK.**" – Shane Bemis, Mayor of Gresham

www.VoteTomHughes.com

(This information furnished by Tom Hughes)

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Council President


**BOB
STACEY**

OCCUPATION: Attorney

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Executive Director, 1000 Friends of Oregon; Partner, Ball Janik Law Firm

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Parkrose H.S.; Reed College (B.A.); University of Oregon Law

School (J.D.)

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Chief of Staff, Congressman Earl Blumenauer; Director of Policy and Planning, Tri-Met; Planning Director, City of Portland

Jobs and Quality of Life

Bob Stacey is the **only candidate with both public and private-sector experience building for jobs who is also committed to protecting farmland and the environment.** Bob will build jobs using the infrastructure we have already paid for to **prevent sprawl, save money, reduce commute times and protect our clean air and water.**

That's why Bob Stacey is the only candidate endorsed by The Sierra Club, the Oregon League of Conservation Voters, and Democratic Leaders we trust like Governor Barbara Roberts and Congressman Earl Blumenauer.

"Bob Stacey will do more to help create jobs for our community. Bob will work harder to focus on the basics that are important to small business and create long-term, sustainable jobs."

Jim Kelly, Founder, Rejuvenation House Parts

Protect What Makes Us Special

Bob Stacey is the **only** candidate who will **defend the Urban Growth Boundary** to prevent farmland from being converted into subdivisions. He'll support – not weaken – Metro's key role in **protecting our clean air and water.**

Making Development Pay Its Own Way

Bob Stacey will ensure that **developers pay their fair share of the cost of schools, parks and sewers** needed because of their developments, **instead of making current residents shoulder the burden.**

Bob Stacey - He'll Make Metro Work - for us

Supported By the Organizations and Leaders We Trust

Sierra Club
Oregon League of Conservation Voters
Governor Barbara Roberts
Governor Victor Atiyeh
Congressman Earl Blumenauer
Multnomah County Chair Jeff Cogen
Clackamas County Chair Lynn Peterson
Washington County Commissioner Dick Schouten
NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon PAC
Portland Association of Teachers / TVIP
...and hundreds of others.

See the list and learn more at www.bobstacey.com

(This information furnished by Bob Stacey for Metro President)

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METRO

Council, District 1



SHIRLEY R. CRADDICK

OCCUPATION: Gresham City Councilor 2005-10

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Health researcher, author, Kaiser Permanente

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: University of Southern California, Master of Health Administration; Oregon

State University, BS

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Gresham City Council Advisory Committees Liaison; Gresham Representative, Regional Water Providers Consortium; Liaison, Mt. Hood Cable Regulatory Commission; Alternate, Metro Policy Advisory Committee.

“Shirley’s ability to bring people together and to find common ground between disparate interests has helped Gresham become stronger and the Council to work effectively together.”
–Gresham Mayor Shane Bemis

SHIRLEY CRADDICK: TRUSTED AND EXPERIENCED

- As a Gresham City Councilor, Shirley moved Gresham to become a leader in sustainability and environmental stewardship.
- Shirley has deep roots in our community and will respond to the concerns of local businesses and residents.
- Shirley is a trusted advocate for the interests of East County and will fight to get District 1 residents their fair share.

“Shirley Craddick is ready to represent the voters in District 1 as they deserve and expect.” –Rod Park, Metro Councilor District 1

SHIRLEY’S PLAN TO MOVE METRO FORWARD

- Build a modern transportation plan that meets the needs of the entire region
- Encourage local economic growth, including living wage jobs in District 1, so that people can work near where they live
- Support a strong network of parks and open spaces
- Focus on redevelopment to control urban sprawl
- Work with local leaders to find better solutions to issues affecting us all

“Shirley will work with residents throughout the region to help improve livability and strengthen our community.” –Metro Councilor Carlotta Collette,

Dear Voters,

As your Metro Councilor I will want to hear from YOU the voters. I encourage you to get involved with community meetings, and Metro advisory committees. I welcome your input on regional planning issues and Metro programs. Expect to see me in the community, listening to you, and find opportunities to participate posted at www.oregonmetro.gov.

Shirley Craddick

www.shirleycraddick.com

(This information furnished by Shirley Craddick for Metro Council)

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or Update Your
Registration
Online

(with Oregon DMV ID)

www.OregonVotes.org

EAST MULTNOMAH SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Director, At Large 2



DOROTHY CLARK

OCCUPATION: Dental Hygienist

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Dental Assistant; Dental Hygienist

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Libby Senior High School - graduated; Great Falls VO-Tech - Dental Assisting Certificate; Mt Hood

Community College - Dental Hygiene Degree

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: PCP Multnomah County -- current

I am running for the At-Large Number 2 position on the Soil and Water Conservation Board to help educate the citizens of Multnomah County on conservation of our basic natural resources. I look forward to working with municipal employees and urban/rural land owners on conservation issues regarding our water and soil. We can work together to improve the quality of our water and reduce soil erosion leaving a more vibrant and green Oregon for future generations. If we address problem areas such as: water run-off, standing water, pollution of our water and soil and irrigation practices we can prevent contamination of our water and future erosion of our soil. Water and soil are the basic necessities for a sustainable and viable existence. I would be honored to represent the citizens of East Multnomah County on this Board.

(This information furnished by Dorothy Clark)

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Director, At Large 2



JILL KUEHLER

OCCUPATION: Executive Director, Friends of Zenger Farm

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Executive Director, Sauvie Island Center; Market Manager, Lents International Farmers Market; Wellness Coordinator, Abernethy Elementary School;

Peace Corps Volunteer, Guatemala

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: M.A., Leadership in Ecology, Culture and Learning, Portland State University; B.S., Community Health, Texas A&M University

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None

Conserving water, soil and farmland is critical for our future generations. Through programs like naturescaping workshops, invasive weed control, watershed protection, and funding urban and rural conservation projects, EMSWCD provides wonderful resources and services to Multnomah County.

I would be honored to serve as a Director of the East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District. As Executive Director of Friends of Zenger Farm, I have experience managing a nonprofit organization, which includes managing a two acre farm and ten acre wetland and educating over 5,000 youth and adults every year about healthy food, soils and watersheds. With my professional experience in organizational management, fiscal oversight, outdoor education and land preservation, I have the knowledge, skills, and experience to be of great service to the District and the citizens of East Multnomah County.

Please give me your vote for East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District Director, At Large Position 2.

Endorsed by the following SWCD Directors:

Laura Masterson, Director, East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District

Dianna Pope, Director, East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District

Rick Till, Director, East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District

And:

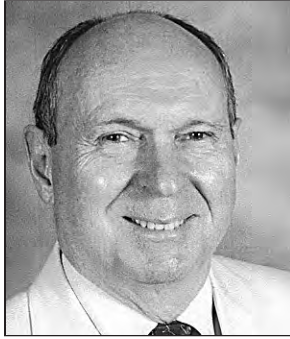
Dick Springer, Former Oregon Senate Majority Leader
Oregon League of Conservation Voters

(This information furnished by Jill Kuehler)

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EAST MULTNOMAH SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Director, At Large 2



**JOHN
SWEENEY**

OCCUPATION: Semi-Retired,
Free Lane Writer

**OCCUPATIONAL
BACKGROUND:** President;
Eastside Democratic Club,
Land Management Consultant;
Sweeney, Smiths & Jones,
Supervisor; Portland Parks &
Public Recreation, Captain;
Oregon Army National Guard.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Graduate; US Army
Command & General Staff College, A/AS, Management;
Portland Community College, Graduate; Kubasake American
High School, Gradyate; Kellogg School.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Democratic Pricinct
Committeeman (4041), Director, Multnomah Education
Service District.

John Sweeney has the background for the job: Land
Management Consultant; Sweeney, Smiths & Jones (pesticide
reduction our specialty), Supervisor; Portland Parks &
Recreation, Captain; Oregon Army National Guard, Director;
Multnomah Education Service District, Democratic Pricinct
Committeeman (4041), Past-President; Eastside Democratic
Club.

As a member of the Board of Directors; East Multnomah
Soil & Water Conservation District. I will use my years
of experience with the Portland Parks and as a Land
Management Consultant, to assist the landowners of
East Multnomah County in managing their property in an
environmentally friendly manner.

Education of landowners is a big part of what the East
Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District does!

The two areas that landowners can help improve the
environment are:

Invasive Vegetation; Multnomah County & Oregon are
being choked by invasive vegeation. Steps must be taken to
control &/or remove the masses invasive vegeation, which is
dangerous to plants, animals and people.

Water: many of our streams are being polluted in small ways
that add up as the streams combine with other streams &
rivers. On their way to the ocean.

By educating and working with landowners, many small steps
can have big results that benefit all of us.

As a East Multnomah Soil & Water District, Director, I will be
working for you.

Any Questions? Call John Sweeney at 503-548-7198

(This information furnished by John Sweeney)

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for accuracy by Multnomah County.

Director, Zone 3



**DIANNA L.
POPE**

OCCUPATION: RN; Danville
Services of Oregon

**OCCUPATIONAL
BACKGROUND:** Nursing in
Portland at St. Vincent's and
Emanuel Hospitals; Parry
Center for Children; Portland
Public Schools; OHSU and
Multnomah Education Service
District.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Parkrose Senior High
School; Emanuel Hospital School of Nursing; Oregon Health
Sciences University Division of Continuing Education.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: 1984 to present:
Director, East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation
District; 1989 to 1999, Member, Oregon Soil and Water
Conservation Commission.

Since 1984 I have been privileged to serve as a Director
on the East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation
District. During this time the District has worked with private
individuals, groups of citizens, local, state and federal
governments and agencies to identify and address natural
resource conservation issues.

My work with the District for the past several years has
emphasized an expansion of our efforts to raise awareness
of and reduce water pollution in urban, suburban and rural
areas. We work closely with local watershed councils such as
Johnson Creek, Columbia Slough and The Sandy River Basin
councils which are made up of local stakeholders in these
important local water ways.

I am dedicated to the principle that Conservation Districts are
local people working together to achieve consensus on natural
resource issues, ensuring that all viewpoints are considered.
Soil and Water Conservation Districts are non-regulatory units
of local government. Their non-partisan, volunteer Directors
are the "bridge" between citizens whose economic welfare
depends on our natural resources and those whose interest
is principally the protection of our environment. I will continue
to work with everyone concerned for the conservation and
careful use of our natural resources upon which all of our lives
depend.

Thank you for your VOTE!

(This information furnished by Dianna L. Pope)

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for accuracy by Multnomah County.

WEST MULTNOMAH SWCD

Director, At Large 2



DAVID PATTE

OCCUPATION: Assistant Regional Director - External Affairs, Pacific Region, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Portland, Oregon, 2004-Present

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Congressional Affairs, 2000-2004, U.S. FWS, Portland, Oregon; Budget Officer, 1995-

2000, & Budget Analyst, 1990-1995, U.S. FWS

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Masters of Public Administration (Environmental Policy Minor), North Carolina State Univ. (NCSU), GPA 4.0 (4 scale), 1987-1989; Bachelor of Arts, (Double major, English/French Literature), Vanderbilt Univ., GPA 2.25 (3 scale), 1979-83; Other Studies (no degree): Forestry, NCSU, GPA: 3.77 (4 scale), 1985-87.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: I have served on the West Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District Board since June, 2009.

Did you know that you can receive financial and technical assistance for conservation activities on your property? Call the Soil and Water Conservation District: West Multnomah: (503) 238-4775 (East Mult. 503 222-7645.)

I pledge to help increase the District's visibility and budget so that more landowners can receive financial and technical assistance to:

- Control and eliminate invasive weeds
- Restore streams and rivers
- Improve agricultural practices
- Improve forest health (our forest experts can help you write a sustainable timber management plan)
- Eliminate soil erosion on your property and restore soil health
- Attract wildlife to your property
- Help save rare and declining habitats such as oak woodlands and wetlands

I also pledge to help lead the District's administrative and fiscal management to ensure funds are properly managed, and efficiently and effectively used.

My education and work experience provide a combination of skills needed for the WMSWCD. I have a solid background in fish and wildlife conservation, communications, budget development and management, and Board management.

In addition to my work experience, I gained leadership and Board management experience as the President of Friends of Forest Park Board (now the Forest Park Conservancy) from 11/2000 to 11/2003, and in other Board positions 1998-2000 and 2003-2004.

(This information furnished by David Patte)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by Multnomah County.

ROCKWOOD PUD

Director, Subdistrict # 2



DONALD JAMES MCCARTHY

OCCUPATION: Retired, living on pension

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Powell Valley Road Water District, 31 years

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: David Douglas High School, Completed 12 years of school, High School Diploma

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Rockwood PUD Budget Board, 1997 - 1998; 31 years, with Powell Valley Road Water District; 6 years, as Board of Director, 2004 to Present,

An Intergovernmental Agreement, granting the city of Gresham the right to purchase water produced by the district ground water wells & which was just built this years by both city of Gresham & rockwood pud.

Also trying to keep water rates as low as possible, but this year we had to raise rates to keep up with New Infrastructure and Technology.

As our mission statement reads To strive for total customer satisfaction by providing the safest and highest quality water at the most responsible cost. To professionally manage Rockwood Water to assure its financial health for the ongoing protection of our customers.

Again Please Continue to Support me with your Vote.

Thank- You
Donald James McCarthy

(This information furnished by Donald James McCarthy)

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CITY OF FAIRVIEW

Mayor



MIKE WEATHERBY

OCCUPATION: Mayor, City of Fairview

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Member of State Board of Parole and Post Prison Supervision; Corrections Disciplinary Hearings Officer, Multnomah County

EDUCATIONAL

BACKGROUND: MEd, University of Portland; BA, Portland State University; Graduate, Cleveland High School, Portland, OR.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Fairview City Councilor; Member, Reynolds Board of Education; Member, Fairview Planning Commission; Member, Rockwood Water District Board of Directors

Moving Fairview forward and improving the quality of life is how Mike Weatherby best does the work of Mayor. Mikes works to make Fairview both an economic and regional leader. This means several things; bringing business to Fairview, improving police protection, connecting with the business community, and insuring that Fairview's voice is heard in all of Multnomah County. The Following are just some of the things that Mike has done and is doing to make to move Fairview forward.

- Creation of the Mayors Business Leadership Roundtable. This is necessary to promote business within Fairview by connecting and enhancing private and government communication. One of the first things accomplished was to facilitate the yearly lighting of the tree lights at Christmas on Market Street.
- Successfully worked to re-name NE 207th to Fairview Parkway. This gives greater visibility to Fairview by further promoting our strong and vibrant community to the rest of the region.
- Successfully works to bring businesses into Fairview that provide family wage jobs that come here and grow. Both Ferrotech and General Pacific are but two recent examples of business that have moved or are moving into Fairview.
- Mike has led the way to bring the Aircraft Carrier the USS Ranger to our city. It will be an economic engine docked on our river front and the largest floating historical museum in the world.

Join Mike Weatherby and keep Fairview moving forward for us during these times.

(This information furnished by Mike Weatherby)

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City Council Position #4



STEVE OWEN

OCCUPATION: Sr. Director Media Publications, Automatic Data Processing

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Controller, Administrator, Automatic Data Processing

EDUCATIONAL

BACKGROUND: Western Business College, Graduate,

Accounting

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Current – Fairview City Councilor 1997 – present; Fairview Municipal Audit Committee; Budget Committee; Public Safety Enhancement Committee and Heslin House Historical Society Council Liaison. Previous – Council President; Fire Advisory Committee; Council Citizen Alliance; Citizen Noise Advisory Committee. Past involvement includes boy Scouts of America, Cubmaster Pack 651, Assistant Scoutmaster Fairview Troop 588.

I look forward to continuing the progress we have made together in making our city livable.

- The Police Department will continue to be a top priority as funding decisions are made. I am not in favor of merging with Multnomah County for police protection. I am proud of our police force and will continue to support their efforts in keeping Fairview safe.
- I have supported policies with the majority of the council that has led to development in Fairview during the economic downturn. The Community Development department has demonstrated a willingness to assist perspective businesses in relocating to Fairview.
- While the current budget as planned reflects a reduction of \$213,000 in reserves, the financial health of the city remains solid with an operating fund balance of \$3.6M. The Budget Committee has done an outstanding job providing oversight.
- The Public Works Department continues to make progress on infrastructure improvements with a new well, sewer renovations and asphalt overlays in residential neighborhoods.
- I am encouraged with the completion of the NE Sandy Boulevard intersection and the replacement of the railroad bridge. Former Mayor Vonderharr, along with past and present councils provided the focus and energy to see this project to completion.
- I look forward to meeting you and encourage your participation in city government as time permits. Your comments and suggestions can make a difference

(This information furnished by Steve Owen)

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CITY OF FAIRVIEW

City Council Position #5



LISA BARTON MULLINS

OCCUPATION: Retired

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: General Business Accounting; Small Business Owner

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Attended S.O.S.C., Ashland; Attended Mt Hood Community College, Gresham; Graduated Parkrose

Sr. High School, Portland

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Fairview City Council, 2006-Present; Fairview Municipal Audit Committee; Fairview Art and Events Committee; Airport Futures Planning Advisory Group; Fairview Budget Committee; Chair, Fairview Council/Citizen Alliance Committee; Councilor, Gresham City Council; Metro Future Vision Commission; Bi-State Policy Advisory Council; Gresham Sister City Committee; Fairview Windstorm Park Homeowners' Association; Past President, Gresham Farmers Market; Led Gresham Sister City Visits to Japan and South Korea; Gresham Budget Committee; Gresham 20/20 Implementation Committee.

Community Service and Other Experience:

Community Emergency Response Team Training; Trauma Intervention Programs, Inc. (TIP) volunteer; TIP National Leadership Training Academy; Meals on Wheels; American Cancer Society

**Councilor Lisa Barton Mullins
Experienced - Respected - Fair**

Dear Neighbors,

Thank you for allowing me to continue to help manage Fairview's growth into one of Oregon's best cities.

I am excited about the possibilities of the USS Ranger and Providence Health Systems coming to Fairview. I can't wait to see what our city's future will be like. I want to be part of the team that moves Fairview onto the next big step.

I am always available and open to hear your concerns or ideas. Thank you for your vote and encouragement.

Lisa

Endorsed by:

- Mayor Mike Weatherby, Fairview
- Former Mayor Roger Vonderharr, Fairview
- Barbara Jones, President, Fairview City Council
- Larry Cooper, Fairview City Council
- Steve Owen, Fairview City Council
- Dan Kreamier, Fairview City Council

(This information furnished by Lisa Barton Mullins)

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City Council Position #5



ED BEJARANA

OCCUPATION: Marketing / Business Consultant, Zenith Exhibits, Inc.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: ACME Scenic & Display, Project Manager / Sales Manager; Sampson Engineering, Process Engineering; Cabrillo College, Professor of Engineering Technologies;

Texas Instruments, Facilities Engineering; US Army, 3rd Armored Division Band

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: San Jose State University, Business Management; DeAnza College, Business Management; Cabrillo College, Computer Science; US Armed Forces School of Music

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None

"All tyranny needs to gain a foothold is for people of good conscience to remain silent" -Thomas Jefferson.

I am running to stop further government takeover and inspire others into action. Running for office has never been a dream of mine, but watching American freedoms disappear a little at a time has forced me to step up.

"All politics is local." -Tip O'Neill

Actions in Fairview, Oregon have an impact on our nation. Writing long and complicated sign ordinances, taking ownership of the public roads, and spending tax money foolishly all nibble away at the ideals of America.

I don't seek to change Washington DC, but rather keep Fairview, Oregon moving in the right direction. Re-electing politicians year after year is not good for the American ideals. More citizens must take part in local politics, else we will lose our freedoms to special interests, which work to get politicians re-elected.

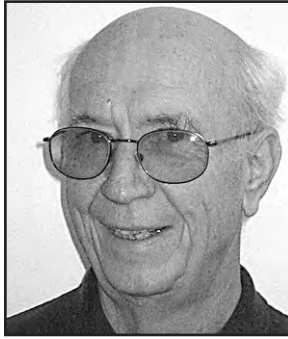
My small part is to go first and commit myself to the office of City Councilor for four years. I ask that if you too have been frustrated with politicians over the last several years then remain silent no longer. Get involved and keep our nation and the City of Fairview "of the people."

(This information furnished by Edward Bejarana)

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CITY OF FAIRVIEW

City Council Position #6



LARRY COOPER

OCCUPATION: Owner-Cooper Tractor & Equipment, Inc

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Howard-Cooper Corporation; Pacific North Equipment, Inc.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Mt. Tabor Grade School; Washington H.S.; Portland State

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL

EXPERIENCE: METRO Councilor 1984- 1988; Multnomah Drainage District #1 1991 - present; City of Fairview- 2006-present

Running as the incumbent I am proud of what the Fairview City Council has accomplished over the past four years. We have been successful in bringing additional businesses into the Townsend Farms Business Park and working with the Police Department to ensure all citizens of Fairview are protected on a 24/7 basis. Since 2005 I have also assisted Council President Jones in making Fairview's Signature Summer Festival one of the premier events in Fairview.

As an active member of the City Council, I'm the appointed representative on the Four Cities User Board. This Board is responsible to look after Fairview's interests with the Gresham Fire Department.

As the appointed member of the East Multnomah County Transportation Committee. I represent Fairview's interests in transportation projects. My focus is in getting funding to complete the sidewalks on 223rd from Sandy to Halsey. We need to continue to push the County and METRO to address our needs as our community grows.

Issues: While I am personally against the proposed Casino in Wood Village, it is my goal to make sure Fairview's interests are identified and met, should it pass. This means working closely with the backers of the facility now; before the final plans impact Fairview's citizens.

Police: we need to maintain our current force. They are an excellent group of officers and the City needs to continue their funding and add more officers as money becomes available.

Budget: our City is in very sound financial shape. We have adequate reserves and need to be very diligent on our spending.

YOUR COUNCIL IS WORKING TO MAINTAIN OUR CITIES LIVEABILITY AND I NEED YOUR VOTE TO CONTINUE MY WORK. THANK YOU.

Roger Vanderharr
Former Mayor - Fairview
Mike Weatherby - Mayor

(This information furnished by Larry Cooper)

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City Council Position #6



DARRELL CORNELIUS

OCCUPATION: Attorney (Currently on inactive status)

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Circuit Court Arbitrator; Attorney practicing in public employee collective bargaining, labor and employment law, employee benefit law

EDUCATIONAL

BACKGROUND: University of Oregon School of Law, Doctor of Jurisprudence; University of Oregon, Bachelor of Science in Political Science; Central Catholic High School, Diploma

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Fairview City Councilor; Fairview Budget Committee; Circuit Court Arbitrator; Oregon State Bar Association activities: Ethics Committee, Ethics Trial Board Member, Fee Dispute Arbitrator, Trial and Appellate Counsel and Labor Law Committee

Community Experience: President and Executive Board member of Fairview Village Homeowner's Association.

Personal: Lifetime resident of Multnomah County. Fairview resident since 1997. Widower. Deceased wife was Lidiya Cornelius who taught at Clackamas Web Academy.

Darrell L. Cornelius stands for these ideals, principles and goals:

---Financial Responsibility. Fairview is fortunate to have financial reserves. We should keep them for unexpected future emergencies. Our annual expenditures should not exceed annual revenues. The current City budget projects expenses to exceed income and uses reserve funds to balance the budget. I will resist the future use of reserve funds for any purposes other than unexpected emergencies.

---Business Development. In these difficult financial times, some of our existing City businesses are suffering financial shortfalls. The City should make a greater effort to promote our business citizens. The vacant land in our City Center and on Halsey Street needs to be developed. The City should develop a plan to attract new businesses. We should not be discouraged because of the current recession.

---Police. Our police chief and city administrator believe we need to increase our police protection. Under the current economic conditions, the City cannot afford to hire additional officers. If it is determined our citizens are in danger, we need to consider other alternatives(i.e. placing video cameras in areas where most crimes occur, consolidating police services with neighboring jurisdictions, increasing citizen involvement).

(This information furnished by Darrell L. Cornelius)

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CITY OF FAIRVIEW

City Council Position #6



TAMIE TLUSTOS-ARNOLD

OCCUPATION: Pediatric Care Manager & Small Business Owner

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Registered nurse, small business owner, health and fitness industry, banking & credit union industry.

EDUCATIONAL

BACKGROUND: Walla Walla College School of Nursing, B.S. in Nursing; Mt. Hood Community College A.A., General Studies; Gresham High School.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Considerable interlacement with local government and community service activities in maintaining the welfare of my business and my community's needs.

Volunteer Leadership: Cub Scout Pack Committee Chair, Cub Scout Den Leader, Gresham Arthur Academy Board of Directors, Windstorm Park HOA (At-Large Member) Gresham Arthur Academy Parent Organization (President), Woodland Elementary Parent Group (President), Market Place HOA (Vice President), Credit Union Women's Association (Secretary), and Oregon Student Nurses Association (Bylaws Chair), Mt. Hood Community College Student Government (President).

Tamie Arnold, a dedicated and hard working leader for our community!

As a working mother, a registered nurse, a small business owner, and a long time community volunteer, I believe that I can bring a fresh perspective to City Hall. Fairview needs a leader who is compassionate, an active listener, and who has leadership experience. We need someone who can make tough decisions and good policies. Someone who really cares about people, who cares about keeping Fairview livable, safe, economically viable, and financially sound, someone like Tamie Arnold.

Fairview is more than just the city I live in, it is my home. I care about our city, our community, and our neighborhoods. I would appreciate the opportunity to serve the people of Fairview by being your voice. I will listen to your concerns and look out for your best interests, the citizen's of Fairview.

No fancy endorsements, no fancy signs, no big budget...just my promise to work hard for you!

(This information furnished by Tamie Tlustos-Arnold)

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Ballots for the
November 2010
General Election
will be mailed on
Oct. 15, 2010.

If you don't get
your ballot by
Oct 21, 2010,
call Multnomah
County Elections

503-988-3720

to request a
replacement
ballot.

CITY OF GRESHAM

Mayor



SHANE T. BEMIS

OCCUPATION: Mayor/small Business Owner

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Restaurateur

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Mt. Hood Community College; Gresham High School

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Mayor,

2007-present, Gresham City Councilor 2003-2007, City Council President 2004, 2005, and 2006

Proven Leadership on Gresham's Priorities

Public Safety

"Mayor Bemis will always be known as the Mayor who started this whole second look at Tri-met and crime after he was so vocal about crime in his city." Jeff Gianola, *KOIN 6 News* 2/20/2008.

Shane Bemis led Gresham's effort to clean up the MAX line, actually putting police officers on the trains to get criminals off of them. Shane worked to sustain the East Metro Gang Enforcement Team and launched a highly successful volunteer program in the police department.

Under Shane Bemis' leadership, Gresham launched the most aggressive rental housing inspection program in Oregon to hold irresponsible landlords accountable for the negative impact they have on the community. The City formed the "Broken Window Task Force" to focus on chronic nuisance properties and reverse their ill affects before they can erode livability.

Jobs and the Economy

"Very few towns, if any, have done more than Gresham over the past year to attract business," Nick Bjork, *Daily Journal of Commerce* 7/14/2010.

Shane led Gresham in taking unprecedented steps to encourage small business growth in the City by removing bureaucratic barriers to entry. His focus is also on attracting large clean technology employers and recruiting multiple solar companies.

The result: tens of millions in new local investments and hundreds of job.

Livability and the Environment

In Shane's first term as Mayor, Gresham built the long-stalled Gradin Sports Park, a downtown community Plaza, and the City's first Skate Park. In addition, the City implemented a backyard burn ban, increased recycling rates by 15% through the use of curbside roll carts, and teamed up to protect Darby Ridge, Hogan Butte, and the Nadaka Nature Area.

The result: increased community amenities.

(This information furnished by Shane Bemis for Mayor Committee)

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Council Position No. 2



JOSH FUHRER

OCCUPATION: Business owner

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Development and construction project manager

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Graduate Certificate in Real Estate Development, PSU; B.S.,

Portland State University; Mt. Hood Community College; Centennial High School

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Gresham City Council and Gresham Redevelopment Commission (Vice Chair). Council Liaison to the Design Commission, Planning Commission, Historic Resources Subcommittee, and Audit

Committee. VP, Gresham Center for the Arts Foundation

JOSH IS WORKING HARD AS A MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL:

Improving Public Safety: With law enforcement in the family, Josh is working to ensure our police and fire departments have the resources they need to effectively protect and serve our community.

Creating Jobs & Stimulating Economic Development: As a city councilor & small business owner, Josh will continue to help make Gresham the most business-friendly city in Oregon. By creating incentives for small business and personally recruiting new businesses to the area, he's helping new and existing businesses to grow and thrive.

Supporting Rockwood Urban Renewal: As a Rockwood native and an expert in land use and urban renewal issues, Josh is uniquely skilled to ensure our redevelopment efforts create a vital, sustainable community, free from excessive traffic congestion.

Ensuring a Lean, Efficient, and Innovative City Government: In this economy, we must work smarter and more effectively with less. As a member of the City's Audit Committee, Josh is working to make City Hall as accountable and fiscally disciplined as possible.

Endorsements:

Mayor Bemis and all members of Gresham City Council
Lori Stegmann, City Council Candidate
Dina DiNucci, owner, Park Place Coffee
John Kilian, City Council Candidate

"Josh is a problem-solver whose experience and understanding of Gresham's issues make him a very effective city councilor." –Council President David Widmark

Message from Josh:

"I'm committed to citizen engagement and participation in building our future. I believe in innovative and practical city government, and **leadership that listens**. I pledge to work hard to make sure your voice is heard in our community."

"Fresh ideas and experienced leadership for Gresham"

www.councilorjosh.com

(This information furnished by Josh Fuhrer For Gresham City Council)

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CITY OF GRESHAM

Council Position No. 4



JOHN H. KILIAN

OCCUPATION: Dentist

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Dentistry

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Oregon State University, B.S.; Waseda University, Tokyo, overseas study; U. of Houston, Psychology Internship; Oregon Health Sciences University,

DMD

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Gresham Finance Committee, Chair; Gresham Budget Committee, Chair, Gresham Audit Committee; Gresham Public Safety Committee; Mt. Hood Cable Regulatory Commission, Commissioner, Vice-Chair; Visitors Board, Oregon State University.

John Kilian is involved in the Community:

Medical Teams International; Mt. Hood Community College Business Advisory Council; Oregon State University Visitor's Board; Gresham and Troutdale Chambers of Commerce; Columbia River Gorge Kiwanis

John Kilian will work to Build Community:

- Preserve an adequate Rainy Day Fund
- Establish predictable funding for Community Safety
- Enforce City Codes to the benefit of all
- Complete and Maintain City amenities, including Gradin Sports Park, Main City Skatepark and the Arts Plaza
- Promote "Buy Local First" to support our businesses
- Enhance East County partnerships
- Re-vitalize and celebrate Neighborhoods

"As your new Gresham City Councilor I pledge to formulate and implement policy with thoughtful deliberation and common sense."

John Kilian is endorsed by:

- **Shane Bemis**, Mayor of Gresham
- **Jim Kight**, Mayor of Troutdale
- **Charles Becker**, Former Mayor of Gresham
- **Shirley Craddick**, Gresham City Councilor and Metro Candidate
- **Josh Fuhrer**, Gresham City Councilor
- **Richard A. Strathern**, Gresham City Councilor and Councilor, Position #4 incumbent
- **Paul Warr-King**, Gresham City Councilor
- **David Widmark**, Gresham City Councilor
- **Mike Bennett**, Former Gresham City Councilor
- **Norm Thomas**, Troutdale City Councilor
- **Matthew Wand**, Troutdale City Councilor and Candidate for State Representative
- **John Lim**, Former Oregon State Senator
- **Amanda Fritz**, Portland City Commissioner
- **Cindy Banzer**, Former Metro Chair and Oregon Legislator
- **Lori Stegmann**, Gresham City Council Candidate, Position #6

Please contact my website at: www.kilian4council.com

(This information furnished by John Kilian for Gresham City Council)

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Council Position No. 6



LORI STEGMANN

OCCUPATION: Insurance Agent/Owner

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Stegmann Agency – Farmers Insurance, 17 years

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Portland State University – B.S., Business Administration; Mt

Hood Community College

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Commissioner - Gresham Planning Commission; Vice-Chair - Gresham Redevelopment Commission Advisory Committee; Rockwood Stakeholders Group

Community Service: Chair – Plaza del Sol Community Events; Vice-Chair – Rockwood Business Coalition; Board member – Gresham Area Chamber of Commerce; Past President – Soroptimist International of Gresham

Our Mayor and City Councilors are volunteers. They realize the need for each one of us to step up and do more than we have ever been asked before. Like many of you, I am trying to balance my faith, my family, my career, my friends, and my community. This is not an easy task. But if we all contribute what we can, when we can, it will exponentially improve the quality of life for everyone here in Gresham.

Rockwood Urban Renewal - I serve on several committees that affect the future of Rockwood. I grew up in this neighborhood and have been a business owner here for 12 years. I know how to run a successful business. I can apply those skills to the challenges our City faces.

Endorsements:

Shane T Bemis, Mayor of Gresham; Josh Fuhrer, Gresham City Councilor; David Widmark, Gresham City Councilor; Diane McKeel, Multnomah County Commissioner; Dina DiNucci, Park Place Coffee

"Lori has volunteered in Gresham for many years working with the Rockwood Business Coalition, Gresham Planning Commission, Soroptimist and many other community organizations and committees to make our city a great place to live, work and play. Running for Position 6 on Gresham's City Council gives Lori another platform to use her good judgment and professionalism to continue the city's path of a healthy and sound community. Lori is a business owner in Gresham and therefore knows the challenges that face all businesses today and will represent them on all levels of government well." - Carol Nielsen-Hood, Gresham City Councilor

(This information furnished by Lori Stegmann)

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CITY OF LAKE OSWEGO

City Council



JEFF GUDMAN

OCCUPATION: Businessman, Investor

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Analyst - Hyster Co.; Controller - Magnetech; Treasurer - Oregon Natural Gas Development; Private Investor

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Pomona

College, B.A., Economics; University of Pennsylvania, Wharton, M.B.A.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Past Chair - Lake Oswego Budget Committee; Chair - Lake Oswego Shuttle Transit Advisory Committee; Member - Lake Oswego - West Linn Aquatic Facility Task Force; Member - West End Building Task Force

OTHER VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Member - Good Samaritan/Emanuel Foundation
Former Vice President & Treasurer, U.S.A. Swimming
Former Chair - Northwest Pilot Project - Housing for poor and elderly
Former Member - Portland Area Council of Campfire
Former Chair - Lake Oswego Neighborhood Action Coalition (LONAC)
Former Chair - Financial Executive International - Portland Chapter

For More Information: <http://vote4gudman.org>

Protect and Improve Our Community

Jeff Gudman has lived in Lake Oswego for 34 years and is proud of our great schools, clean water and community spirit. Jeff wants to ensure that our long-term community goals are being met while continuing to fund essential public services like police and fire protection.

Leadership

Jeff has the experience that Lake Oswego requires. He understands that we need effective leaders who will seek reasonable, common-sense solutions. He will listen and be open to new ideas and different viewpoints.

Fiscal Responsibility, Compassionate Volunteer

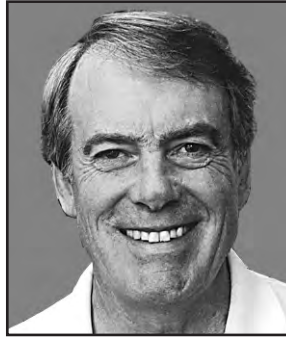
Jeff knows that during these tough economic times, government should be living within their means just as many of us must do. He knows we can prioritize our spending to avoid needlessly raising taxes. As a community volunteer, Jeff has worked with our young people and the elderly and given his time to make Lake Oswego a better place for everyone.

"I'm running for City Council because I care about protecting Lake Oswego's quality of life. I want to work with the citizens of Lake Oswego, to develop collaborative decisions to the challenges the city faces. The city will face the challenge of Foothills/Streetcar, continuing the work of the downtown redevelopment plan and successfully navigating the impact of the future changes in the Stafford Triangle." - Jeff Gudman

(This information furnished by Jeff Gudman)

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City Council



ROGER HENNAGIN

OCCUPATION: Private practice of law, 1980-Present

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Trial lawyer; Burlington-Northern Railroad, 1976-1980; Deputy District Attorney, Multnomah County, 1974-1976

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: B.A., Political

Science, Seattle University, 1966; J.D., Georgetown University Law Center, 1970

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Deputy District Attorney, Multnomah County, 1974-1976; Administrative Law Judge, Oregon Employment Division, 1972-1974; Law Clerk to Federal Judge, Administrative Offices of U.S. Courts, 1970-1971; Law Clerk, Criminal Division, U.S. Department of Justice, 1967-1970

In the 2006 voters pamphlet I said, "I want to play a decisive role in finding cost-effective solutions that are in the long-term best interest of this community." I have accomplished that in significant ways. The interceptor sewer is almost completed at a cost that is \$30 million less than the original estimates. We have achieved major preliminary steps toward the necessary future expansion of our water capacity and minimized the expense by partnering with Tigard.

I want to continue shepherding several other initiatives that are in the beginning stages until they reach fruition. One of my major concerns continues to be attainable housing—both for young families who want to send their children to Lake Oswego schools and for seniors who want to age in place. As a result of my leadership on this issue, council has instructed city staff to work on revisions to the zoning code that will facilitate construction of clustered cottages with shared green space. I also envision Foothills being a great location for attainable housing.

City council has adopted the Lake Grove Village Plan and now we need to approve a feasible plan for traffic circulation on Boones Ferry so that the complete village plan can be activated. As many of you know, I have a fiscally responsible vision for the future of the West End Building.

I am seeking a second term so that I can continue the work that I have begun and help Lake Oswego achieve its full potential.

Endorsed by Oregon League of Conservation Voters.

www.hennagin4lo.org

(This information furnished by Roger Hennagin)

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CITY OF LAKE OSWEGO

City Council



DONNA JORDAN

OCCUPATION: Councilor, City of Lake Oswego

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Public information management for public utility and private corporations; Realtor, GRI, State of Oregon

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: University of

Oregon, BS, Journalism

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Councilor, City of Lake Oswego, 2007 to present; Clackamas Cities' representative to Metro Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation; Lake Oswego Transportation Advisory Board; Portland School Board; Multnomah Education Service District Board

KEEP Donna Jordan for Lake Oswego City Council

- * A 4-year track record of practical problem solving and common sense solutions
- * Maintaining strong financial stewardship, including a "AAA" bond rating, while making strategic investments that assure Lake Oswego's future
- * A consensus builder leading the way for improving and clarifying the City development code while insuring neighborhood continuity, quality of life, and protecting natural resources
- * Prioritizing essential services for community health and safety including the Lake Oswego Interceptor Sewer (LOIS), and fire and police services
- * An advocate for the Library and the Arts in Lake Oswego
- * Supporting economic development and job growth focused on local business
- * Adopting the Lake Grove Village Center Plan and continuing plan implementation
- * Leading the way for improving our transportation options from pathways to mass transit

ENDORSED BY: Lynn Peterson, Chair of Clackamas County Commission

"Donna Jordan has been an effective representative for Lake Oswego and the Cities of Clackamas County on Metro's Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT). Her participation has strengthened our position at the Regional level and secured millions of dollars in vital transportation projects for Lake Oswego and Clackamas County." Lynn Peterson, Chair, Clackamas County Commission

Your vote for Donna Jordan is a vote to keep Lake Oswego a vibrant and vital community!

(This information furnished by Keep Donna 4 LO)

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City Council



DAVID L. JORLING

OCCUPATION: Lawyer

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Portland City Attorney's Office, 1985 - 2008; SAIF Corporation, 1983 - 1985; Multnomah County District Attorney's Office, 1980 - 1983; Milwauke County District Attorney's Office and Public Defender's Office, 1973 - 1979

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Marquette University Law School, Post Graduate, JD, Law; Marquette University, 16, Bachelor of Arts, History, Political Science

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Lake Oswego Downtown Alternative Analysis Committee; Lake Oswego to Portland Alternative Analysis Committee; Citizens Advisory Committee for Portland to Oswego transit project

As a resident for over 20 years, I appreciate the positive impact Lake Oswego and its excellent schools have had on my family. City government services, including Police, Fire and the parks, are excellent. Our neighborhoods, downtown, library and arts are all vibrant and constructive features in this community.

Recently, there have been controversies in our community that have divided us. Some of those issues have festered and need resolution. There are key issues concerning the further development of our community that need to be decided with Lake Oswego's long term future in mind.

As an attorney, I know that there are always at least two sides to any issue. To be fair requires that facts be determined, opinions heard, and then decisions timely made. Having experience in these efforts and having established a reputation for fairness and bringing people together, I can serve the people of Lake Oswego by providing the leadership that will continue Lake Oswego's success. Community matters.

For more information concerning my background, endorsements, and positions on the issues facing the City, please visit my web site at <http://jorlingforcitycouncil.com> or contact me directly at 971.998.2320.

(This information furnished by David L. Jorling)

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CITY OF LAKE OSWEGO

City Council



MIKE KEHOE

OCCUPATION: Business owner and community volunteer.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Management. United Parcel Services (UPS). Financial advisor. Small business owner. Entrepreneur, skilled at starting and managing companies on tight budgets. Experienced real

estate investor.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: University of Oregon, BA Business Management.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: School Board Member and Chair, Riverdale School District. Budget Committee member, Riverdale School District. Reconfiguration Committee, Lake Oswego School District.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT: LO Chamber of Commerce, LO School District volunteer, 12 years coaching LO youth sports, LO Scout Troop leader, Past LO Lacrosse Club Treasurer, Habitat for Humanity, Transitions Global, Executive Board Boy Scout Council, Mercy Corps, Meals on Wheels.

PERSONAL: Fifth generation Oregonian, married to Lorri 19 years, three children.

Mike Kehoe – Priorities: Accountability: Livability

Mike Kehoe – Priorities

“I am committed to bringing our city’s priorities in line with the citizens.”

- Preserve small businesses and attract new ones
- Keep neighborhoods safe and secure
- Improve partnership with schools to help students excel

Mike Kehoe – Accountability

“City government must more prudently spend our tax dollars.”

- Money to go only to priority projects with clearly defined plans and budgets
- Citizens and small businesses must be given a voice
- Tax and fee burden on local citizens must be kept to a minimum

Mike Kehoe – Livability

“Community spirit should be encouraged and decisions made with the best interest of citizens.”

- Improve, preserve and protect our neighborhoods and parks
- Help our small business community thrive and prosper
- Be creative and innovative and maintain viability of our diverse neighborhoods

“Mike’s extensive experience as an entrepreneur, business owner and community volunteer make him an ideal choice to help guide and manage our great city. He is a decisive leader, skilled in financial management and able to solve complex problems.”

Jon Harnish, Past Chair Lake Oswego School Board, Chair Bank of Oswego.

Vote Mike Kehoe
www.kehoeforcouncil.com

(This information furnished by Mike Kehoe)

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City Council



DAN WILLIAMS

OCCUPATION: Buyer Do-it Best Corp 1991- present; Small Buisness Owner

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Purchasing/ Sales Buckeye Pacific Corp

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: University of Oregon School of Business BS Finance/Administration

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Current Lake Oswego Citizen Budget Committee Member

Personal: Lake Oswego resident for 20 + years. Family: Wife Elisa and two daughters in the Lake Oswego Public School District.

As your City Councilor, I will work to bring clarity and balance to the decision making process of the Council. I will seek out and encourage a wide variety of citizen input, and find affordable solutions for our community. I will bring responsible progress to Lake Oswego by:

Restoring Trust in City Government
Seek and encourage all citizen viewpoints
Resolve West End Building Issue
Respect Private Property Rights of Citizens
Improve visibility and accessibility of budget committee meetings
Promote a full discussion of transit options when planning our future

Prioritizing Spending
Ensure sufficient funding for police, fire, and EMS services
Identify opportunities to reduce LO-Tigard Water Partnership costs
Monitor Foothills Framework Plan expenditures and recommendations
Audit city operations to eliminate waste and duplication of services

Reaching Out to Local Business
Promote Lake Oswego to attract and retain business
Expedite implementation of the Lake Grove Village Plan
Provide an environment that supports and nurtures small business

Supporting Lake Oswego Schools, Community and Livability
Investigate opportunities to partner with our schools to maintain excellence
Commit to preserving and protecting each of our unique neighborhoods

Keep Lake Oswego affordable for all our citizens

Dan is endorsed by
Professional Firefighters of Clackamas County, IAFF Local 1159

Mary Oslon, Lake Oswego City Council

For more information please visit www.williamsforcouncil.com

(This information furnished by Dan Williams)

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CITY OF MAYWOOD PARK

City Council

City Council

NO
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SUBMITTED

**MARK
HARDIE**

OCCUPATION: Industrial Sales

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Industrial Sales

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Portland State University

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: 12 years as

Mayor of the City of Maywood Park

NO
PHOTO
SUBMITTED

**CASEY
HILL**

OCCUPATION: Creative Director/Account Executive, Gateway Communications.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: None

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: B.S. Advertising and Public Relations, Oral Roberts University, 1996

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Elected to Maywood Park City Council, 2008-Present; Appointed by the Mayor to enhance communications for City of Maywood Park, including the new Maywood Park Bulletin and city website.

(This information furnished by Mark Hardie)

(This information furnished by Casey Hill)

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CITY OF MAYWOOD PARK

City Council

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SUBMITTED

ANGELA PEARSON

OCCUPATION: Parent,
involved community member,
home and fianance manager.

**OCCUPATIONAL
BACKGROUND:** Nonprofit
fundraising, grantwriting,
event organization, economic
development, land use law and
community development.

EDUCATIONAL

BACKGROUND: Portland State University, Portland Oregon.
Bachelor of Arts Community Development 2003, housing and
economic development.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None

Maywood Park is an inspirational example of the best in community values, innovation and determination. As your representative on the city council, I hope to continue to uphold those values while working toward building a future for our city that will engage upcoming generations. Community concerns such as security, intentional development, maintaining traditional values, and protecting community investments are all important to my family as well.

Our family has enjoyed living here for the last three years and we look forward to investing our time and energy into participating more fully in our community here.

(This information furnished by Angela Pearson)

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for accuracy by Multnomah County.

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CITY OF TROUTDALE

City Council, Position #1



LORA LAWRENCE

OCCUPATION: Partner, wife, and mother, in a dynamic and diverse household.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Positions of leadership in our local church, including President of the Young Women's Association; marketing and membership in a wholesale club; AMI micro-chip fab operator.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: The school of life has taught me survival and the importance of family, community, principle, and character. My parents taught me integrity, honesty, and gratitude. I attended Seattle Community College and graduated from Highland High School.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: No public office.

My family. Jeff and I have lived in Troutdale since 1991. We have five children. I have been an active public school volunteer. Both of us want a sustainable future for our children.

Fresh perspective. We need some fresh perspective on our City Council. We have lawyers, business men, politicians, and reruns, but we also need fresh perspective and balance. I have experienced the best and worst that Troutdale has to offer, from its police department to its community schools. I hope to retire and raise my grand-children here. I will provide the fresh perspective and balance that our City Council needs.

Truly independent. Although I have lived in Troutdale for 19 years, I do not owe any of the local interests any special favors, and I do not have any pet projects that I'm hoping to get through. I will bring independence to the Troutdale City Council.

City Council is not a boys club. I am not intimidated by lawyers or business men. The school of life and a willingness to serve qualify each of us for non-partisan service on the City Council. Like a juror in a trial that impacts real lives and property, I will make informed and responsible decisions and honor this stewardship. I will always stand up for what I believe is right, and I will always tell you the truth.

Read more at loralawrence.com.

(This information furnished by Lora Lawrence)

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City Council, Position #1



DAVID RIPMA

OCCUPATION: Patent Lawyer

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Research Engineer; Regulatory Consultant

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Georgetown University School of Law -- JD; University of Michigan -- BS Electrical Engineering

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Troutdale Planning Commission; Troutdale Parks Advisory Committee; Troutdale City Council; Metro Policy Advisory Committee; Oregon Energy Facility Siting Council & Oregon Hanford Cleanup Board (appointed by governors Kitzhaber, Kulongoski)

I have volunteered on Troutdale city committees and the council for the last 20 years. I presently chair the Troutdale Planning Commission, serve on the Parks Advisory Committee, and am a Board Member of the Troutdale Historical Society.

- **The problems in Troutdale can be solved and I have proved I can work with all citizens to make it happen.**
- **My number one priority is public safety. I urge voters to support Measure 26-116, the Police Center Bond.**

My record of involvement shows my commitment to Troutdale. Help me preserve what's best about our city and make our government work for us.

- **Please join with my supporters who work and volunteer for Troutdale civic and service organizations, business, development, greenspaces, preservation groups and government in voting for David Ripma for city council**

I am endorsed by:

- Former Troutdale Mayor Paul Thalhofer
- Doug Daoust, Troutdale Council President
- Matthew Wand, Troutdale City Councilor
- Tanney Staffenson, Chair, Troutdale Budget Committee and Vice Chair, Troutdale Planning Commission
- Sam Barnett, President, Troutdale Track Club; President, Troutdale Lions Club
- Jean Holman, Secretary, Troutdale Historical Society
- Todd Pilcher, Chair, Troutdale Parks Advisory Committee and Member, Troutdale Budget Committee
- Terry Tipsord, President, Daybreak Business Development, Inc.
- Jean Ice, Real Estate Broker
- Max Maydew, President, Maydew & Co.
- Bruce Stannard, Member and Past Chair, Troutdale Parks Advisory Committee
- Greg Handy, Board Member, Troutdale Historical Society
- Sue Handy, Board Member, Troutdale Historical Society
- Jim Jensen, Former Budget Committee Chair and 2010 Troutdale Citizen of the Year
- Shereen Spector-Grutisen, Office Manager, Troutdale Vision Clinic

VOTE FOR DAVID RIPMA FOR CITY COUNCIL

(This information furnished by Dave Ripma for City Council)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by Multnomah County.

CITY OF TROUTDALE

City Council, Position #3



NORM THOMAS

OCCUPATION: Software Engineer (ADP since 1983).

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: U.S. Army

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Graduated Centennial High School 1972; Graduated Portland Community College 1983 (A.A.S. Applications Computer

Programming; A.S. General Studies); Continuing Education Mt. Hood Community College (Business Administration)

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Troutdale City Council (2003-Present), Troutdale Planning Commission 2002, Troutdale Citizen Advisory Committee 1994-2001(Chair 2000); Mt. Hood Cable Regulatory Commission 1996-present (Chair 1998-2000 and 2006-2008).

"I want to help". Troutdale is growing, and the way it grows is important. Positive growth requires proper management to preserve the livability of Troutdale for everyone. Key activities which can involve residents in the decision making process include promoting and building neighborhood associations, business relationships, boosters, and other citizen groups. Citizen involvement is essential in maintaining Troutdale as the community in which we want to live.

Personal Background:

- U.S. Army 1972 to 1981 (Honorable Discharge)
- Married Charlene in 1974; We have two children and three grandchildren. Both children graduated from Reynolds High School.
- Troutdale resident since 1992
- Involved in local churches since 1981
- Board Member of the Troutdale Boosters/Oregon River Safety Program since 2001.
- Board Member of the Troutdale Lions Club since 2000

Goals:

- Build Neighborhood associations and increase citizen input and participation. Communication is the necessary Key to guide the future of Troutdale.
- Responsible economic development by working cooperatively with both the public and private sectors to meet Troutdale's needs.
- Work with other local governments to insure Troutdale needs and desires are accomplished.
- Keep public safety (Police and Fire protection) as top priority.
- Maintain the livability of Troutdale through responsible development and planning.

(This information furnished by Norm Thomas)

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City Council, Position #5



RICH ALLEN

OCCUPATION: Engineer ON Semiconductor, 2006-present

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Engineer; Programmer; Technician; USAF/ANG; Farmer

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: None

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Precinct

Committee Officer; County Election Monitor; Troutdale Citizen Advisory Council; Troutdale Budget Committee

Troutdale has a small town feel amongst a sea of concrete. It is a town rich in history and full of good people, everyday people like you and me, each either knowingly or unknowingly making a difference that adds up into Troutdale being a great place to live. I'm running for Troutdale City Council to do my part.

I've been told I'm an unknown. I understand this, since I am often a lone citizen at the Council meetings. I've seen the Council chambers fill up when a subject arises that is important to you. It will be my job to pay attention when you're not able to attend; to represent your best interest when Life is too busy. And I promise never to commit to a vote prior to you getting a chance to speak at the Council meetings.

It is important to me that you are treated fairly. That the Council does everything they can to help the people and businesses of Troutdale be successful. I've heard some of you talk about the road blocks you've faced when trying to make a positive difference. We have a good Council, but let's strive harder to smooth the path for good things to happen.

For more information about me, visit www.our-troutdale.org or email me at TroutdaleRich@comcast.net

If you are looking to do more for Troutdale, I encourage you to sign up for one of the committees prior to the October 29th deadline, or join one of the many organizations. Silvia Maly can help with membership questions for the fledgling Troutdale Kiwanis Organization at 503-695-2538.

Endorsements:

Mayor Paul Thalhofer, Councilor David Hartmann, Councilor Glen White, David Brown, Silvia Maly

(This information furnished by Rich Allen)

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CITY OF TROUTDALE

City Council, Position #5


**ROBERT
CANFIELD**

OCCUPATION: Owner,
Canfield Communications

**OCCUPATIONAL
BACKGROUND:**
Telecommunications
sales/marketing/project
management; Area Governor,
Toastmasters International;
Co-owner, Bullseye
Secretarial Service Inc.; Area
Representative/Executive

Board Member, Communications Workers Local 7901.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Portland Community
College, A.S. Paralegal; Portland State University; Lane
Community College.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Troutdale City
Councilor, 2005-2008; Troutdale Urban Renewal Agency,
2006-2008; Troutdale Budget Committee, 2004-present;
precinct committee person.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Troutdale Summerfest Kid's
Activities Coordinator; Troutdale Friends of Police PAC;
Wallmasters Toastmasters; Grotto Festival of Lights; Frontier
Missions; Junior Achievement Advisor.

I was proud to serve as a Troutdale City Councilor from 2005-
2008 and the role I played:

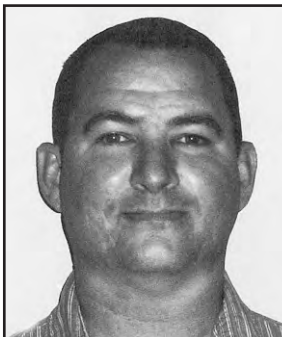
- The city implemented a program for increased customer
service and accountability.
 - The city implemented mandatory annual financial statements
for taxpayer funds provided to the local chamber of
commerce.
 - The city created tax incentives resulting in the new FedEx
Ground facility and hundreds of new jobs in Troutdale.
 - The city now requires residential garbage cans and recycling
containers to have rubber lid straps, preventing litter and
hazardous waste spills during our windy winter days.
 - The city budget was kept lean, while still providing adequate
funding for public safety, parks & recreation, and water/sewer.
 - The city worked with McMenamins Edgefield and surrounding
neighborhoods to reduce noise and traffic.
- It would be an honor to again serve the great citizens
and business owners of Troutdale by helping to preserve
Troutdale's friendly small town appeal for years to come. My
goals:
- Maintain police/fire services as top priority. This is our city's
first duty.
 - Improve our existing parks; continue to support Troutdale's
parks and recreation programs.
 - Encourage and support new and existing businesses in
Troutdale to prosper.
 - Advocate for a new "Banfield Flyer" express bus from east
county cities to downtown Portland.

Endorsed by: Scott Anderson; Tanney Staffenson; Carl
Tebbens; Christina Tebbens; Glenn White; Mike Weatherby.

(This information furnished by Robert Canfield)

The above information has not been verified
for accuracy by Multnomah County.

City Council, Position #5


**WILLIAM
FOX**

OCCUPATION: Student,
completing Bachelors of
Science Degree in Emergency
and Disaster Management;
US Army, Individual Ready
Reserve

**OCCUPATIONAL
BACKGROUND:** 13 years in
US Army, Civil Affairs, Army
Recruiter of the Year and Best
of the West 2009, Troutdale,

OR; Emergency Medical Technician; Hospitality Industry
Management

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: American Military
University, Enrolled, Completing BS in Emergency and
Disaster Management; Mt. Hood Community College, General
Education Requirements; US Army Recruiting School; US
Army Civil Affairs Specialist School; Emergency Medical
Service Centers of Southern Nevada, EMT-I

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Mobilization
Operations NCOIC at Special Operations Command for Civil
Affairs and Psychological Operations, in charge of mobilizing,
deploying, tracking, and redeploying Soldiers, Sailors,
and Airmen for worldwide operations during wartime and
peacetime missions. I wrote standard operating procedures,
and I worked directly with all branches of government, foreign
and domestic, military and civilian agencies, and the balance
between soldiers, families, and employers, while providing
support in areas such as:

- Humanitarian aid;
- Peacekeeping operations;
- Civil assistance;
- Emergency relief operations;
- Civil military operations;
- Disaster management such as earthquake and Hurricane
Katrina support

As a Civil Affairs Specialist deployed overseas for Operation
Enduring Freedom, I participated in a variety of projects
with governmental and nongovernmental organizations,
embassies, and foreign internal defense agencies and worked
in special function teams dedicated to areas such as:

- Public safety
- Education
- Health and wellbeing
- Nation rebuilding
- Government infrastructure
- Civil assistance projects
- Medical assistance projects
- Veterinary assistance projects
- Engineering projects to build hospitals, schools, and
libraries
- Area land and resource assessments

Why elect me to the City Council?

I have over 16 years of combined service to my country
and communities. I bring not only real world experiences,
knowledge, and dedicated service, but a true love and
appreciation for my community and neighbors. I am proud to
continue to serve my community, and to call Troutdale home
for myself and my family.

(This information furnished by William Fox)

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for accuracy by Multnomah County.

CITY OF TROUTDALE

City Council, Position #5



ZACH HUDSON

OCCUPATION: Adjunct Instructor, Mount Hood Community College; Adjunct Instructor, ITT Technical Institute

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: General/Special Education Teacher, Corbett High School; Teacher, Gresham High School

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Portland State University, M. Ed and Oregon Teaching License; King Alfred's College, MA and BA (Hons).

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None

I would like to focus on two goals if I am elected to Troutdale City Council: sustainability and economic development.

The need to move towards an environmentally sustainable future is crucial, and it needs to be encouraged at all levels of government, especially the local level. Troutdale and its neighbors have already done great work in this direction, such as Gresham's solar-powered waste-water treatment plant and Troutdale's similar proposal using wind power. I would work with other communities, Metro, the county and the state to coordinate programs and resources.

Troutdale has also done a lot to revitalize its economic base. The new FedEx distribution center, for instance, provides a much-needed boost. I believe our next priority should be to fill the vacant buildings in Troutdale's downtown with thriving businesses. The current Business Incentive Program is a great step; I think this can be assisted by increasing Troutdale's entertainment draw.

My wife, my two children and I love it here in Troutdale. I would be honored to contribute to the community as part of the City Council.

(This information furnished by Zach Hudson)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by Multnomah County.

City Council, Position #5



TODD PILCHER

OCCUPATION: The Presidio Group – Risk Manager

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Pacific Coast Fruit Company – Director of International Sales & Marketing

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Hillsdale College B.A. Economics

(2004); Sandy Union High School (2001)

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Chair – Troutdale Parks Advisory Committee (2009-present); Member – Troutdale Parks Advisory Committee (2008-2009); Member – Troutdale Budget Committee (2009-present)

Troutdale has been home to my family and I for 3 years. I enjoy the quality of life available in east Multnomah County and desire to maintain and improve this once elected to the City Council.

My priorities on City Council are:

Public Safety: We must maintain an effective public safety program, which is why I support the bond measure for the new Troutdale Police facility

Effective and prudent spending of our tax payer dollars: Our tax receipts have been earned by the hard work of our citizens and should be treated as such. Waste is not acceptable

Development: I encourage the responsible growth of business, homes, and greenspace which will improve our neighborhoods, schools and community culture.

Business: Troutdale must be a fair and respectful city to do business with

Maintain our public works infrastructure: Make the necessary investments to keep our city connected and running while limiting the impact on rate payers.

Troutdale has been a safe and desirable community to live and work in and as a member of the City Council I will do my best to continue this tradition.

Endorsed By:

David Ripma – Chair, Troutdale Planning Commission and Member, Troutdale Parks Advisory Committee

VOTE TODD PILCHER FOR TROUTDALE CITY COUNCIL

(This information furnished by Todd F. Pilcher)

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BALLOT MEASURES

- **Multnomah County**
- **City of Portland**
- **City of Troutdale**
- **TriMet**
- **Beaverton School District**
- **Corbett School District**
- **Riverdale School District**

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

Measure 26-109

REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE.

BALLOT TITLE

COUNTY TERM LIMITS

QUESTION: Shall County Charter limit on voters' right to elect a person to more than two four-year terms be repealed?

SUMMARY: The Charter limits public service in county elective offices. No person can serve more than two consecutive four-year terms. Voters do not have the right to keep a person in office. The measure repeals Charter Section 4.20(2). It takes effect on November 3, 2010.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This measure amends the Charter. It now limits a person to two full four-year terms in any one elective office in any 12-year period. Currently voters cannot decide to keep a county elected official in office beyond the two full terms.

The Charter Review Committee concluded that term limits cost the public experienced elected officials. Most other counties and cities do not have term limits.

The Charter Review Committee recommends this measure. It will repeal the county term limits.

The measure will take effect November 3, 2010.

Submitted by:

Agnes Sowle
County Attorney
Multnomah County

No arguments FOR or AGAINST this measure were filed.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

Measure 26-110

REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE.

BALLOT TITLE

MULTNOMAH COUNTY OFFICIAL RUNNING FOR OFFICE MIDTERM

QUESTION: Shall County elected officials be allowed to run for another elective office in midterm?

SUMMARY: The measure amends the Charter. It allows county elected officials to file for another office without ending their current term of office. The Charter now treats filing as a resignation resulting in ending county elected terms, creating office vacancies and causing more elections to fill offices. The measure takes effect on November 3, 2010.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The county Charter does not allow running for another elective office in midterm. If a county official files for another office, it is the same as a resignation. Only in the last year of the term may the official file for another office while continuing to serve in his or her current office. This limits public service in county elected offices, creates office vacancies and results in the cost of conducting more elections to fill offices.

The measure amends the Charter. This measure repeals the midterm ban and allows elected officials to file for another office without ending their current term. This measure will reduce the number of elections to fill offices.

The Charter Review committee recommends this measure.

The measure will take effect November 3, 2010.

Submitted by
Agnes Sowle
County Attorney
Multnomah County

No arguments FOR or AGAINST this measure were filed.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

Measure 26-111

REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE.

BALLOT TITLE

SALARY COMMISSION

QUESTION: Should the Salary Commission set Sheriff's salary and District Attorney supplemental salary?

SUMMARY: The Charter now requires that the Board fix the Sheriff's salary and the Salary Commission set the chair and commissioner salaries. The auditor appoints the five-member Salary Commission. This measure amends the Charter to require the Salary Commission to set the county Sheriff and DA supplemental salary. It takes effect on November 3, 2010.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This measure amends the salary sections of the Charter. The provisions now require that the Salary Commission set the chair and commissioner salaries, and the Board set the Sheriff's salary. The District Attorney is paid by the state, but the county may supplement the DA's salary. In the past, the Salary Commission included the Sheriff and DA in its studies and recommendations at the request of the Board of Commissioners.

The five-member salary commission is appointed by the auditor by January 1 of each even year. The Charter Review Committee believes it is appropriate for the Salary Commission to set the salary of the Sheriff and the county paid supplemental salary of the DA.

This measure will remove the authority of the Board to set the Sheriff's salary from the Charter. It will require the Salary Commission to set Sheriff and DA's salaries.

The measure will take effect November 3, 2010.

Submitted by
Agnes Sowle
County Attorney
Multnomah County

No arguments FOR or AGAINST this measure were filed.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

Measure 26-112

REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE.

BALLOT TITLE

VACANCY IN OFFICE

QUESTION: Should ceasing to reside in the district cause a vacancy in the office of county commissioner?

SUMMARY: The Charter now requires that candidates or appointees to a county commissioner position reside in the district for a year and a half immediately before becoming such a commissioner. A vacancy occurs in an elective office when the incumbent ceases to reside within Multnomah County. This measure amends the Charter to cause a vacancy in a county commissioner position upon the incumbent's ceasing to reside in the commissioner's district. It takes effect on November 3, 2010.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This measure amends the cause of vacancy section of the Multnomah County Charter. It now causes an elective office to become vacant upon an incumbent's ceasing to reside within Multnomah County. Candidates or appointees to a county commissioner position must reside in the district for a year and a half before taking office.

The Charter Review Committee believes it is appropriate for county commissioners to remain residents of their district during their term of office and that ceasing to reside in their district should cause a vacancy in office.

This measure will add ceasing to reside within the district as a cause for vacancy of a county commissioner position.

The measure will take effect November 3, 2010.

Submitted by
Agnes Sowle
County Attorney
Multnomah County

No arguments FOR or AGAINST this measure were filed.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

Measure 26-113

REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE.

BALLOT TITLE

MULTNOMAH COUNTY ELECTION TO FILL VACANCIES

QUESTION: Shall election dates for vacancies be limited to the May and November elections?

SUMMARY: The measure amends the Charter. Currently an election must be held at the next available election date to fill a vacancy of a year or more in a county elective office. If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, the Board must call a special runoff election. The primary and general election dates in even-numbered years normally have multiple issues and jurisdictions that share the cost of the election. If the Board calls for an election on a date when no other matters are on the ballot, it must pay the entire cost of the election. This measure amends the Charter to limit the election dates for vacancies to the May or November elections. The measure takes effect on November 3, 2010.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Oregon statutes allow that a local government may hold elections on four dates:

1. second Tuesday in March;
2. third Tuesday in May;
3. third Tuesday in September; or
4. first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

The Charter now requires the Board to call an election to fill a vacancy on the next available election date, and if no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, the Board must call a special runoff election.

Normally, other local governments share the cost of primary and general elections in even-numbered years. If the Board must call an election for a date when there are no other matters on the ballot, the county must pay the entire cost of the election.

This measure amends the Charter. It limits elections to fill vacancies to the May and November election dates. This measure may reduce County election costs.

The Charter Review Committee recommends this measure.

The measure will take effect November 3, 2010.

Submitted by
Agnes Sowle
County Attorney
Multnomah County

No arguments FOR or AGAINST this measure were filed.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

Measure 26-114

REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE.

BALLOT TITLE

MULTNOMAH COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT

QUESTION: Should the County Charter allow the Board of County Commissioners to form a county library district by voter approval?

SUMMARY: This measure amends the Charter to allow the County to form a library district with requirements specific to the County. The library district would have the powers granted to districts and public libraries by state law and by the Charter, including imposing ad valorem property taxes to support its services. The Board of County Commissioners would be the governing body of the library district. The amendment would provide the method of forming the library district, its organization and management, and the process for giving voters notice and hearing. A separate election would be required to form the district. This district would be different from those formed by the two methods available under state law. It takes effect on November 3, 2010.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Library is a County Department funded by the general fund and a five year serial levy that expires in 2012. A serial levy is not a stable source of library funding. It requires voter approval every five years for the majority of the funding. In fiscal year 2009-2010, the levy provided 62% of the library's budgeted funding. A library district with a permanent tax rate would be a more stable funding source, but it would cause some revenue loss to other jurisdictions within the County. Under state law, the two methods to form a county library district require consent of other jurisdictions in the district before the Board may place the measure before voters. This measure would add a section to the Charter allowing the Board to set a county-specific method of library district formation.

Multnomah County library provides:

24/7 online access to information, learning resources, and the library catalog

- Each day more than 14,000 people visit the 19 libraries and there are more than 15,000 website visits.
- An average of 29.9 books are checked out every year for every man, woman, and child in the county.
- Library staff answers 1.9 million questions a year.

Programs for school age children, story hours for babies and toddlers, summer reading, literacy services for children in child care, homework help, programs for teens

- 62,000 kids participated in the Library's Summer Reading program in 2009, which includes over half of the county's elementary school children
- More than 300,000 people attend library programs and events for children and teens each year.

Book delivery to homebound seniors and nursing home residents
Library services for jobseekers, small business owners, and English language learners

Among US libraries serving fewer than 1 million residents, Multnomah County Library ranks No. 1 in annual circulation of books and materials, according to the 2009 Public Library Data Service Statistical Report.

The Charter Review Committee found that the Library provides important services to county residents and should have a stable funding source, and that the question of forming a Multnomah County Library District with a permanent tax rate should be decided by all voters within the County, without prior restriction or consent.

This measure would provide the County with another method of forming a Multnomah County Library District as determined by the Board of County Commissioners.

The measure will take effect November 3, 2010.

Submitted by

Agnes Sowle
County Attorney
Multnomah County

No arguments AGAINST this measure were filed.

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

**Measure 26-114
It's NOT a tax increase.
But it will allow us to protect our libraries.**

The public libraries are one of the best things about our community. In neighborhoods from west Portland to Corbett; from Troutdale to Fairview, Wood Village, Gresham and everywhere in between-- they are important in our lives:

- Libraries open the world to our children - helping them with reading and with their homework, and giving them a love of learning.
- They are a vital resource for families, for the retired and seniors citizens, for teachers and for job hunters.
- Libraries are there for everyone – **open, accessible and free**. That's especially important in tough economic times.
- Libraries have resources for people seeking employment information, summer reading programs, book-mobiles for those without transportation, answers to research questions from local librarians and help accessing technology.

And, they are a great value for taxpayers – well managed and utilizing over 1,800 volunteers.

Library Measure 26-114 is NOT a tax increase, but a way to give us more options to make sure our libraries continue to be there for us.

Measure 26-114 changes the County Charter to allow voters to decide whether or not to establish a dedicated Library District sometime in the future, which would ensure continued investment in this important local service.

The measure would give voters the ability to say that the money we pay for the library stays with the library. It would give us, as voters, the ability to protect our libraries from losing promised library dollars to other projects.

Even if Measure 26-114 passes, we would all have to vote again sometime in the future to establish a district or change the way we pay for the libraries. This measure would just allow us to have the choice – a choice we don't have right now.

**More ways to protect the libraries we love.
That's a good choice to have.**

**This November, please Vote YES on
Library Measure 26-114.**

(This information furnished by Janis Adler, Libraries Yes!)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Local Librarians Support Measure 26-114

We are retired librarians who were employed at libraries like our local central and branch libraries across Multnomah County.

Librarians typically love their job and library patrons find our services helpful.

People in our community are regular library users. They check out books, research everything from their own neighborhood to topics for school papers, to distant lands to which they hope - or plan – to travel. Children come for storytime; homebound elderly receive books mailed to their homes; and job-seekers of every age come to learn new skills or find leads for employment.

We know first hand that librarians try to help everyone who comes through the door. And now, we hope the community will help our libraries.

Measure 26-114 is not a tax increase. It lets voters decide whether, in the future, a special library district can be formed – to protect and ensure library funding.

The county charter does not currently allow voters to decide whether to form a special district for libraries. This measure gives us that option.

Libraries are an important feature of many neighborhoods and an important part of many families' lives. We hope you'll support our libraries going into the future.

**Please support your local libraries:
Yes on Measure 26-114.**

**Michelle Jeffries
Retired Librarian**

**M. Yvonne Williams
Retired Librarian**

**Carolyn M. Myers
Retired Librarian**

(This information furnished by Janis Adler)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Local Schoolteachers Support Library Measure 26-114

Our local libraries are essential to teaching and essential to our kids' education.

There's nothing more satisfying to a teacher than a student actively seeking out new stories and new information. It shows an interest in learning and an interest in acquiring the skills to learn independently in the future.

Unfortunately, some children don't have access at home to books, magazines, computers or some of the other resources a library provides, and that we want them to have, as early in their lives as possible.

Public libraries contain many books and materials that teachers and kids need, but don't have, in their school libraries. And librarians can help us find and borrow nearly any book from almost anywhere in the world – even if it's not on the shelf locally.

Librarians can answer questions, help kids succeed in their research pursuits, and direct them to new sources for exploration.

Libraries help satisfy our kids' curiosity, helps keep them focused on homework, and keep them interested in learning. They help prepare young kids for school and give access to the world beyond the neighborhood for those already in school. That helps us all.

Please join us in supporting the library measure on the ballot in November. It will help us to protect our libraries in the future and that will help teachers and kids, as well.

Deb Wheelbarger
Librarian – Mill Park Elementary
David Douglas School District

Sarah Marble
Head Start Teacher

(This information furnished by Elizabeth Kaufman, Libraries Yes)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Parents with Young Families Support Our Libraries And they support us!

Please vote YES on Measure 26-114

Like many parents, the local library is one of our kids' favorite spots.

Almost every week, we go to the library for all kinds of great stuff including storytime and new books. The librarians greet us with open arms and a huge variety of books our kids have never seen before. Some kids get help learning to read or selecting books to borrow.

We see older kids at the library, too – schoolchildren doing their homework or looking up information for a research project. Again, the librarians often help them find what they need to solve a homework problem or to further their research.

Libraries are a vital community resource. Raising a family can be expensive and we really appreciate the fact that library services are free and available to everyone.

The library measure on the November ballot will get our support: It's not a tax increase. It's just a vote that will protect our libraries in the future.

The measure asks whether the county should be able to set up a special library district sometime in the future, with voter approval. Nothing would occur without voter approval. And, a district would be a way to protect the library's funding so we can all continue to use it – families, kids, and their grandparents!

**Please join us in supporting and protecting our libraries.
Vote Yes on Measure 26-114.**

Kristin Teigen

Jennifer Fox

(This information furnished by Janis Adler)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Join the Friends of the Library in voting YES on 26-114

We are the Friends of the Multnomah County Library. The Friends of the Multnomah County Library is a grassroots organization that was organized by the community in 1972 in opposition to proposed major cuts of library funding.

Friends of Multnomah County Library are teachers, students, clerks, artists, engineers, seniors, parents, families, grandparents, volunteers and more. We live all over the county - from Gresham and Troutdale to St. Johns to Southwest Portland. We are you and, like you, we both love and need our local libraries. Since our inception, we have advocated for, and supported, our Multnomah County Library system to maintain the services, programs and resources it provides - services that are more important now than ever.

We believe in free and equal access to information for all. Our libraries provide access as well as programs and educational services that help us individually and the community as a whole.

Libraries are a vital source of information and a connecting point for individuals to the wider community, and between community groups and those they serve. The libraries provide materials for education and entertainment, free of charge, in a world where few things are free.

Measure 26-114 will provide an important option for the county to protect the library into the future.

It would give the county the option to ask voters for approval to create a library district sometime in the future.

Measure 26-114 is not a tax increase. This measure simply gives the county the ability to create a more stable funding source for the library in the future.

Voters would decide whether to use this option and whether to protect library funding going forward. That is not an option we currently have.

**Please join us in supporting our local libraries.
Vote YES on Measure 26-114.**

*(This information furnished by Craig Cedros,
Friends of the Library)*

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

VOTE YES FOR OUR LOCAL LIBRARIES

Walk into any of Multnomah County Library's neighborhood libraries these days and you will see hope, determination and promise.

- **Children** are returning to school better prepared to succeed, thanks to the library's literacy work.
- **Senior citizens** and **young families** with children who have been forced to live on less are finding information and advice with the help of librarians.
- **Those who are unemployed** are turning to the library to get access to computers and help searching for work.

Our library was founded during another volatile time in our nation's history – the Civil War. When we were just a fledgling settlement on the banks of the Willamette, our library shaped our community's love for reading. Today, Multnomah County Library is the oldest public library west of the Mississippi and one of the hardest working and most respected library systems in the country.

Each year, our library breaks records and wins awards for high usage, cost efficient operations and programs that change the lives of children, families and seniors. Over the last decade, use of our library has nearly doubled. More than 34,000 people visit our library in person or online every day.

The Library Foundation is an independent, community-based non-profit dedicated to enhancing our library's incredible work. Our volunteer board and thousands of supporters make gifts, large and small, to extend taxpayer's investment in the basic operations of our hardworking library.

We believe a strong library makes a strong community. Multnomah County Library has earned our trust and deserves our support.

We urge you to vote for Measure 26-114. It is not a tax increase. But it will give voters the option to secure our investment in the library and protect Multnomah County Library's funding for the future.

Join us, the volunteers and supporters of The Library Foundation, by voting yes on Measure 26-114.

*(This information furnished by Merris Sumrall,
The Library Foundation)*

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Library Employees Support Measure 26-114

As proud members of our Union, AFSCME Local 88, we work in our public libraries. We check out books, assist patrons, and keep the neighborhood branches and Central library running day to day. We know from direct experience the uncertainty of declining budgets for local services like the library. We know that in difficult economic times, libraries are even more important to struggling families, job seekers, students and more.

That's why we support Measure 26-114 for our libraries.

It is not a tax increase.

It simply gives voters the option to establish, at some future date, stable, long-term funding for Multnomah County libraries.

Nothing can be changed without future voter approval.

Library workers see first-hand how people rely on our services throughout their lives. They expect the library to be a vital part of their community now and into the future. Measure 26-114 puts an option in place to protect our libraries that we do not currently have.

Please vote YES on Measure 26-114.

(This information furnished by Michael O Hanna, AFSCME Local 88, Multnomah County Employee's Union)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Library Advisors Support Measure 26-114

We are individual businesspeople, teachers, workers, students, and retirees who have served as volunteer advisors to the library.

We come from neighborhoods like Troutdale, Gresham, Midland, Woodstock, North Portland, Hillsdale, and everywhere in between.

We help keep the library a critical source of educational resources, as well as free, family-oriented activities for you. We know that the library's outreach programs for children, for homebound seniors, for job-seeking and its tremendous collection of books are well-used and well-loved throughout the county.

With increasing use, the library has proven itself to be essential to the families in this community during this difficult economic time. It is a shared community asset that we care about, and which a large, diverse set of users finds worthwhile to visit and support.

There is a measure on the ballot this November that will help the library.

Here is what Measure 26-114 will do:

- It will allow voters the opportunity to decide whether they want a special library district to help stabilize long-term funding.
- It is not a tax increase.
- It will simply allow the option of asking voters in the future whether to create a library district. **Nothing would occur without approval of the voters.**

Whether a library district is the proper solution for the county should be answered by the people most affected: you, its patrons. This ballot measure captures the essence of home rule by allowing you to determine that the county charter is properly structured to meet local needs.

We urge you to approve the ballot measure because it will provide our libraries with another option for protecting their funding, and their essential services – into the future.

Jim Wygant	John Potter
Carlene A. Weldon	David L. Blount
Lori Irish Bauman	Heidi Y. Beebe
Rob Brading	Sola Whitehead

(This information furnished by John Potter)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Local Library Volunteers Urge Your Support for Library Measure 26-114

We work as volunteers at local libraries all over our county. We shelve books, organize materials, read to children, help with homework, get books to the homebound and much more.

We can tell you first hand that our libraries are well-used and busy.

Our libraries serve young families with children anxious to get their weekly pile of books. They serve students researching projects or doing their daily homework.

Teachers use the libraries to help with their teaching. Our libraries serve people looking for work – seeking help from the librarians or searching online for possible job prospects. They serve all kinds of people with all kinds of needs, especially in these tough economic times.

Our libraries are open and free to all. And, they need our support.

Measure 26-114 is a change to the county charter on the November ballot. It is not a tax increase.

Measure 26-114 will allow voters to decide whether to establish a dedicated library district, sometime in the future, that would ensure continued investment in this important local service.

Measure 26-114 a way to give us more options to make sure our libraries can be there for us.

The measure would give voters the ability to say the money we pay for the library, stays with the library. It would give voters the ability to protect money promised to the library from going to other projects.

We love our libraries. And we see that many of our neighbors in this community love the libraries and really need them.

We hope you'll join us in protecting our local libraries: Vote Yes on Measure 26-114.

Heather McGivney
Library Volunteer

Reva Basch
Library Volunteer

Carolyn L. Rundorff
Library Volunteer

(This information furnished by Liz Kaufman, Libraries Yes)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Retirees Support Our Libraries Vote Yes on Measure 26-114

We are local retirees who use and volunteer at our libraries. We know libraries are essential to our community and that supporting them is one of the best values around.

That's especially true for retirees and older residents of Multnomah County.

Of course, libraries help all of us. They offer constructive activities for young people, resources for education and positive ways to keep us useful and engaged.

Libraries serve retirees and senior citizens in several important ways:

- Older citizens use the library for their daily news, to see people, visit with neighbors and, sometimes, just to have a friendly face steer them in the right direction.
- Educational programs help senior citizens learn how to use computers – opening an entire new world. (Many seniors use library computers to keep in touch with grandchildren and friends, make travel plans and check on doctors and medication!)
- Libraries reach out to nursing homes, those who are homebound and those who face physical challenges.

Here's one more thing we hope everyone understands: Measure 26-114 is not a tax increase. It simply provides voters with a future tool to protect our libraries.

Measure 26-114 allows the creation of a special library district – in the future – but only with voter approval. This is not something our county charter currently allows.

We can support the future of our public libraries by supporting Measure 26-114.

Our libraries are always there for everybody, no matter what his circumstances. In these uncertain times, that's a real necessity – and something worth protecting.

PLEASE JOIN US IN VOTING YES FOR OUR LIBRARIES!

Sandy Barker

Volunteer, Central Library

Candace D. Morgan

(This information furnished by Janis Adler, Libraries Yes)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

I'm a local resident who understands personally all that Multnomah County Library does to help people look for a job in this tough job market.

I had not worked for five years. Multnomah County Library's librarians and staff guided me through my search, giving me advice, access to computers and the internet, classes at the library and databases that I could not find on my own.

I started work eight months ago at a care facility for seniors and the disabled. It is a great job. I got it because of the library's help.

I relied on the staff and volunteers at my neighborhood library from the very beginning of my search. I used the computers and took workshops offered at my local branch. The staff coached me with the concrete advice I needed to succeed. Each person I worked with at the library gave me the support and encouragement I needed on my most discouraging days.

Of course, the library is used by many people, for many purposes – checking out books and materials, researching and using the internet.

That's why I'm supporting the library measure on the November ballot – Measure 26-114.

The measure is not a tax increase. It simply allows the library to have the option in the future to be protected through the creation of a special library district. It only creates the option, not the actual district. And that would require voter approval.

The library helped me and is helping hundreds of other people in all kinds of circumstances.

I hope you'll join me in helping out the library. Vote Yes on Measure 26-114.

Amy Mamdouh

(This information furnished by Janis Adler)

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When you vote,
remember to sign your
return envelope.

Every signature is
compared and verified
against your voter
registration signature.

We cannot count your
ballot if you do not sign
your return envelope.

If more than one
person in your
household is voting,
make sure to check that
you are signing your
own envelope.

If a person signs the
wrong envelope the
ballot cannot be
counted.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

Measure 26-118

REFERRED TO THE PEOPLE BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BALLOT TITLE

FIVE-YEAR LEVY: OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY LIBRARY, MUSEUM, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

QUESTION: Shall County support history library, museum, educational programs: 5-year levy, \$.05 per \$1,000 assessed valuation, beginning 2011, with oversight?

This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

SUMMARY: The Oregon Historical Society (OHS) houses and preserves Oregon's collection of historical documents, photos, books, maps and artifacts. The OHS Library and Museum provide public access for school field trips, for individuals and families to view changing exhibits, and to research all of Oregon's history.

The State of Oregon has cut funding to OHS. OHS has greatly reduced hours open to the public. Without additional funds, OHS facilities will close to the public beginning in spring, 2011.

This measure enacts a five-year local option levy of \$.05 per \$1,000 assessed property value to keep the Oregon History Library and Museum open to the public. It funds:

- Restoration of hours open to the public for the Oregon History Museum and Library;
- Free admission for all schoolchildren, and all Multnomah County residents, to Museum and Library.

An independent citizen oversight committee will ensure tax dollars are spent as promised. Annual audits will be conducted and made public. A home assessed by the county at \$200,000 pays \$10 a year for this levy.

The levy will raise an estimated \$2.24 million for fiscal year 2011-2012; \$2.31 million for fiscal year 2012-13; \$2.41 million for fiscal year 2013-2014; \$2.50 million for fiscal year 2014-2015; and \$2.59 million for fiscal year 2015-2016.

The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of estimate.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Established in 1898, the Oregon Historical Society collects and maintains the county and state's major collection of Oregon, Portland, and Multnomah County historical documents, letters, photographs, books, maps, artifacts and more. About 60% of the library materials relate directly to Multnomah County history, and OHS acts as the Multnomah County Historical Society.

The Oregon Historical Society – located in downtown Portland with storage of additional materials in Gresham, Oregon – includes the Oregon History Museum and the Oregon History Library. Approximately 40,000 visitors use these facilities a year, including about 8,000 schoolchildren, to research specific Oregon history questions and view Oregon history exhibits.

The OHS Library and Museum have received state funding in the past; however for the last decade those funds have been substantially reduced, causing cuts to hours and services at the museum and library. Without another source of funds, the Oregon History Museum will close facilities by spring of 2011 or sooner. The library will be open limited hours, although not indefinitely.

This Multnomah County local option levy will keep the Oregon History Museum open 40 hours a week and the Library open to the public 32+ hours a week - avoiding closure and restoring cuts to service. It supports curation for the museum so that exhibits can be rotated and the collection and protection of Oregon's historical artifacts and documents can continue. Levy funds will also protect the collection of Oregon history documents and artifacts, and public access to those, at four East Multnomah County Historical Societies which together will receive \$150,000 of the levy each of the five years. OHS levy funds shall be allocated in a manner that represents Multnomah County's diverse cultures.

The levy supports continuation of educational programs including free admission for every schoolchild to visit the museum and for all county residents - providing access to those previously unable to visit due to cost.

The cost of the levy is up to \$.05 (five cents) per \$1,000 assessed property value, beginning 2011 through 2016. For example, the owner of a home assessed by the county at \$200,000 will pay \$10 a year for this levy.

Accountability is a component of the levy. The Multnomah County Chair will appoint an independent citizens oversight committee – representative of Multnomah County's diverse communities - to review all levy expenditures and ensure dollars are spent as promised. In addition, Multnomah County will select an auditor for which OHS will pay to conduct annual audits of levy funds that will be made available to the public.

This levy will fund nearly one-half of operations at OHS facilities. Other funds come from admissions, grants and private donations. To consistently provide the services promised to the voters, the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners will consider termination or reduction of the levy if the State of Oregon restores funding to OHS.

Submitted by
Agnes Sowle,
County Attorney
Multnomah County

No arguments AGAINST this measure were filed.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Keep Oregon's History Alive

There is no other way to say it. Measure 26-118 will save the Oregon Historical Society Museum and Library.

Why should we care? OHS is where we keep our ancestors' diaries, belongings, photos, maps, and children's toys. It's where our children can see the real thing: Joe Meek's rifle, the penny flipped to name the City of Portland, the maps used by Lewis and Clark, the letters of first-generation Oregonians and immigrants, rare Native American artifacts, and so much more.

But the most important reasons to save the museum and library aren't artifacts from the past. It's the impact on our future. It is the spark of curiosity, learning and excitement it creates in a young person who can feel and touch history. It is the living reminder of where we have been to help us understand where we must go.

Your support for Measure 26-118 is critical. Oregon's history museum and library are running out of money: While the state funded the library and museum for over 100 years, it has sharply cut funding for the last several years. The historical society has spent down its cash reserves and cut back hours to remain open to the public. But the savings are almost gone.

Without additional funds, the Oregon Historical Society will have to close facilities to the public beginning next year.

Measure 26-118 asks the typical property taxpayer for just \$10 a year to keep the Oregon's History Museum and Library open to the public and restore previous levels of service and hours. In return, Multnomah County residents and all school groups will receive free admission at any time.

And researchers, scholars, schoolchildren, families and individuals will continue to be able to hold Oregon's history in their hands.

Please join us in keeping Oregon's history alive. Vote Yes on Measure 26-118.

Governor Vic Atiyeh
Eric E. Parsons, retired CEO StanCorp
Thomas J. Vaughan,
Oregon Historian Laureate

Jean M. Auel, Author

*(This information furnished by Jerry E. Hudson,
Oregon Historical Society)*

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Pennies for Oregon's Heritage.

Measure 26-118 will protect and preserve history and culture in our community.

Who are we? How did we get here? How can we better shape our future? The lessons of Oregon's history matter – but only if we and our children can learn them. Because of years of state funding cuts, we are about to lose that ability. With Measure 26-118 we can keep public access to Oregon's unique history.

A local levy for Oregon Historical Society continues existing services and restores adequate hours for the museum and library:

- **Our History Museum offers a place for students, writers, researchers of Oregon's history and the public to study and learn about Oregon's history.**
- **More and more schoolchildren are visiting– and more want to come** on field trips to visit and learn at the Oregon History Museum.
- **Residents and researchers come to OHS to search for and discover information about their neighborhoods and old homes, local businesses, family history, and historical treasures from the attic.** Many collections document the stories of minorities and ethnic groups, such as Japanese Americans, African Americans, and Native Americans. **The levy will restore full public access to the Research Library** back up to 32+ hours per week (up from only 12 hours/week.)

What Happens to OHS Without Levy Funding?

- The state has cut its funding to OHS dramatically; cash reserves are nearly gone.
- **Without Additional Funds, OHS will close facilities to the public beginning next year.**

The Return for Local Residents . . . for a local levy:

- **FREE admission** to the Oregon Historical Museum and Research Library for all Multnomah County residents and all school groups. **One visit to the museum equals the \$10 local levy cost on the average-assessed home.**
- **Our history institutions help us to understand our history and shape our future.**

Keep Oregon History alive. Please join us in voting "YES" on Measure 26-118.

*(This information furnished by Elizabeth Kaufman,
Oregon History Yes)*

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Teachers Support Oregon History And the Oregon Historical Society support us!

Please vote to keep Oregon History open to the public, and to our students!

Vote Yes on Measure 26-114.

We are local schoolteachers who bring students to the Oregon historical museum and library. There is nothing like it for kids, and for students whose love for history is just sprouting.

Elementary school kids are taught Oregon's history in the 4th grade. They learn about the explorers, the Native Americans, the early Oregon Territory, and the pioneers who made it their home. But we can only go so far in a school classroom.

Kids need to see the real thing. The real beaver pelts, the real covered wagons, the real wooden toys and the inventive tools of early settlers and Native Americans. That's how they become more inquisitive and more appreciative of the uniqueness of Oregon, and how they'll work to protect Oregon in the future.

Middle and high school students write research papers. And, with the history library, they can use the original documents to explore the real background. That's how they learn more. And we want to help provide that for them.

For example, there are documents at OHS that belonged to famed suffragist Abigail Scott Duniway. No other Oregonian has inspired the awe of many students as Duniway has, and that has been demonstrated by the vast number of student papers about her. Were you to ask those students, they would say that holding these documents brought her to life so much more vividly than any textbook sidebar.

We urge you, on behalf of all of the younger kids in elementary school, as well as high school and middle school educator and students, to approve this levy in order to continue the vital work OHS does in supporting our children's education.

Jerry Landreth
Portland elementary
teacher

Dave Molloy
Jackson Middle School
teacher

(This information furnished by Eliza Canty-Jones)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

We are students and researchers for Oregon History Please vote Yes on Measure 26-118.

We are students at local colleges and universities. We read, study, and interpret history, including parts of Oregon's History. Without the Oregon Historical Society, we wouldn't have access to the information we need. It's that simple.

We rely on the history library, museum, and the *Oregon Historical Quarterly*, for its essential resources:

- The history museum collections include over 85,000 unique artifacts, including ancient items, memorabilia from Oregon's settlements, political and cultural items, items from the development of artwork and crafts, maritime history, and experiences of our diverse ethnic groups;
- The history library has: 25,000 maps, 30,000 books, 8.5 million feet of film and videotape, 16,000 rolls of microfilm, and 12,000 linear feet of documents. We have nearly 3 million photographs that detail Oregon's history. There is nothing like it in the world;
- The Oregon Historical Quarterly is the only peer-reviewed journal dedicated to Oregon History.

Researchers like us, from here and from national and international academic institutions, rely upon the Library for its essential resources. But it's not just students using it – everybody can, and does.

Your children can use it to help with their homework, as hundreds do every year. And you can use the Library to learn more about your family, your career, your neighborhood and even your own house! It's an invaluable resource for us all.

Oregon's history is full of amazing people and feats that have made us what we are today and what we will be tomorrow. As students, we need the resources available to study that history –at our local History Library and Museum.

Please help us keep them open. Vote yes for Oregon's History. Vote yes on Measure 26-114.

Kristin Teigen
Portland State University

Mark Durbetaki
University of Portland

Keith D. Baich
PSU

Felicia Williams
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*(This information furnished by Kristin Teigen,
Oregon History Yes)*

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

A Message about the OHS Research Library

If you want to know something about where you live, where your family lived, who came here when and why – we welcome you to visit the Oregon History Research Library, at the Oregon Historical Society.

Many Oregonians – newcomers, local families, schoolchildren, grandparents and more – use our library because they are curious. And they often leave the library with copies of a photo, a map, or a letter connected directly to them!

Our library contains over 3 million photos: portraits of individuals and families – maybe some of your relatives – old houses, street pictures when Oregon’s population was small, and fabulous shots of the Gorge, the mountains and rivers before our modern era.

We can help you to get a copy of these items *and* we’ll keep the originals safe.

Our library holds the world’s largest collection of material related to the original Oregon Territory (including Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, and part of Wyoming) and holds many other special collections about local explorers, Native Americans, Asians, Hispanics, African-Americans, European-Americans, gay and lesbian Oregonians, labor organizations, oral histories, and much more.

But right now, our library is only open 12 hours a week to the public and that’s just not enough. Researchers as well as ordinary residents find it difficult to get here exactly when the library is open, and those coming to write about Oregon or do a film about Oregon simply don’t get enough time every week to research the amazing stories that make us unique.

Measure 26-118 will restore library hours to 32+ a week, giving more people a chance to discover and study our past.

The history library is here for you. We hope you will help us remain here into the future, for your kids and grandchildren as well.

Support our local history: Please Vote Yes on Measure 26-118.

(This information furnished by John Herman)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Our History is in Jeopardy

Some historians argue the major theme of Oregon’s history is immigration, beginning with Native Americans arriving via the Siberian land bridge. Eventually, British and French trappers and traders drifted westward. Anglo populations soon followed during the great nineteenth-century expansion. Then came wave upon wave of new cultures.

In today’s Oregon, 55% of us were born somewhere else, and the percentage continues to grow.

By locating here after elementary school, many didn’t pass through the sheep-dip tank of Oregon history. We don’t know that much about the horrible fights over slavery (yes, there were slaves in Oregon), the epic debates over fishing rights, public ownership of the beaches, conservation and land use, health care, and more—all which shaped us over time.

Oregonians need to have the opportunity to touch the state’s past.

For more 113 years, Oregonians and the state have proudly cooperated in supporting the Oregon Historical Society in collecting, preserving, and displaying photographs, manuscripts, museum objects, and archeological finds about the history of Oregon. OHS holds the largest collections in the world pertaining to the Oregon Territory. The collections are renowned and well used by visitors seeking to learn about Oregon, scholars researching history topics for books, and local citizens interested in their neighborhoods or family history.

But since 1993, the state has drastically reduced funding for Oregon’s history.

And without additional funding, Oregon Historical Society will begin closing facilities next year. What becomes of the immense collection of Native American basketry, Joe Meek’s rifle, the world-famous collection of Carleton Watkins’ 1867 photographs of the Columbia Gorge?

And what happens when recent arrivals and schoolchildren have no place to learn about Oregon history?

Voters can save the day and support the 5-year local levy to keep Oregon history’s doors open and restore hours and public access at the Oregon History Museum and Research Library.

Please do something historic for Oregon. Vote Yes on Measure 26-118.

*(This information furnished by John Herman,
Oregon History Yes)*

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MULTNOMAH COUNTY

Measure 26-118

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

East Multnomah County History Benefits from
Measure 26-118

We are supporters of the four East Multnomah County Historical Societies, including Troutdale, Crown Point Country, Gresham and Fairview-Rockwood-Wilkes Historical Societies. Our societies collect and retain the historical letters, maps and artifacts that document the history of our unique area and will benefit from this measure.

All our groups are supported by the Oregon Historical Society through sharing of knowledge, collections, expertise, and materials. If the Oregon Historical Society closes, our small historical societies will have fewer resources left to maintain archives and buildings.

Multnomah County history is Oregon history, from the original ancestors to the immigrants of past and present. It's a vital part of all communities to preserve and pass down to future generations knowledge of the past.

Passing Measure 26-118 will benefit local residents by keeping the Oregon Historical Society history museum and research library open to the public. County residents and school groups will receive free admission.

Also, Measure 26-118 will provide \$150,000 to the four east county historical societies every year of the levy, helping us continue to collect and maintain local history.

Without Measure 26-118, the Oregon Historical Society must close facilities beginning next year and a great deal of knowledge will be lost.

In virtually every other Oregon county, local historical societies are supported to some extent by the county. Those counties recognize that members, volunteers and donations alone cannot perform an important civic function like receiving, maintaining, and making available the history of an area.

Multnomah County historical materials have been collected, archived, and made available through the Oregon Historical Society, which, until now, has received state funding. But state funding cuts mean Multnomah County must act.

Please vote Yes and join other Oregon counties in recognizing and supporting our heritage and history.

Dodi Davies, Fairview-Rockwood-Wilkes Historical Society
Chuck Rollins, Crown Point Country Historical Society
Dorothy G. Douglas, Gresham Historical Society
David Ripma, Troutdale Historical Society

*(This information furnished by David Ripma,
Oregon History Yes)*

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Volunteers support Oregon History
Vote Yes on Measure 26-118

We are long-term volunteers at the Oregon History Museum and the Research Library where we work to help keep Oregon history alive now and for future generations. Please join us by voting Yes on Measure 26-118.

Volunteers at the History Museum and library back up the staff in guiding local residents, schoolchildren and visitors through the exhibits and collections.

You can imagine the look on a 4th graders face when they first see ancient sandals or feel a beaver pelt, and ask, 'Is it real?' And the tremendous satisfaction we feel in acknowledging, 'yes – it is. And, there's much more to see.'

As volunteers, we help make ends meet for the Historical Society. Yet, volunteers can only do so much. We need the ability to continue to collect and display the letters, flags, home recipes, historic maps photos, and more - of the diverse population of our area and our state. We need funds to keep the doors open.

But the Oregon Historical Society is running out of money. They've cut their budget, the staff, and the hours and services for the public. And the state is unable to come through.

We hope you can help. Measure 26-118 asks local voters to approve a levy of five cents per thousand dollars of property value for five years. That's about \$10 a year for the average assessed home.

In return, the Historical Society will provide free admission to every Multnomah County resident and every school group visiting the museum and library.

It's a great deal, for a really important place. And, without additional funds, facilities will have to close to the public next year. We can't let that happen.

We support the \$10 a year for Oregon's history. We hope you will, too.

James Strassmaier, Volunteer, 5 years
Doug Smith, Volunteer, 5 years
Jean Burlingham, Volunteer, 20 years
Thelma Kunowsky, Volunteer, 23 years

(This information furnished by James Strassmaier)

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MULTNOMAH COUNTY

Measure 26-118

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Oregon Historical Society is Financially Responsible and Well Managed

Measure 26-118 includes a high degree of accountability to the public.

We are the current and previous treasurers for the Oregon Historical Society. We both have accounting backgrounds in the private sector and volunteered to serve as OHS treasurer in order to provide experienced oversight of the financial practices of the organization.

We know what it means for an organization to have a strong set of financial practices that promotes cost-savings, financial transparency, and, most importantly, directs most resources toward serving the public.

The Oregon Historical Society practices very strong financial management as demonstrated by the fact that it received a clean audit opinion from its independent auditor for the most recent fiscal year with no recommendations for improved financial practices.

But even good oversight can only go so far. The organization needs more funding in order to keep its facilities open to the public. Due to state funding cuts, OHS has had to cut its budget and its services. It has cut costs and services by over 1/3, and has been forced to spend cash reserves.

By next year, there will no longer be enough money to continue to serve the public; facilities will have to close without additional funds.

We urge you to support Measure 26-114 to keep Oregon history available to the public.

The measure includes strong accountability to the public, including annual audits and an independent citizen oversight committee to ensure tax dollars are spent as promised.

Please vote Yes on Measure 26-118

Marc Berg
Oregon Historical Society
Treasurer

Stephen Terry
Oregon Historical Society,
previous Treasurer

*(This information furnished by Elizabeth Kaufman,
Oregon History Yes)*

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Kids Love Oregon History and want more!

Please vote yes to keep our History museum and library open.

We are volunteer docents at the Oregon Historical Society. That means we guide groups of schoolchildren when they visit and help explain what's on display.

Turns out kids have one thing in common: They're amazed at the great stuff Oregon history is made of! The beaver pelts traded by fur traders, the hand-made baskets and tools of the Native Americans, the rifles used by mountaineers – all lead kids to love Oregon more because they can see and touch the stuff themselves.

Don't take it from us. Here's what the kids themselves wrote to *thank us for their visit to the history museum*:

- The 9000 year old sandals and the canoe were really cool, it was interesting that the Indians even had money, let alone fish bone money! I hope we can come again.
- I enjoyed learning about the Native Americans and how they made boats out of logs.
- I enjoyed the big wagon and everything we got to see WOW! I wish we can come back.
- I liked how we got to see stuff, I have never seen Indian stuff a lot.
- I learned so many things, I want to learn more (which is rare for me, trust me...)!
- I didn't know that bullets they used in the Oregon trail had points.
- I learned a lot about the oldest shoes and the first car made in Oregon.
- Thank you for showing interesting facts about the past.

Measure 26-114 keeps the doors of the Oregon History Museum open. It will provide free admission to all Multnomah County residents and ALL school groups – so that more kids can come.

Please join us in supporting kids and their love for history! Vote Yes on Measure 26-118.

Sharon A. Thorne
Volunteer Docent

William Nelson
Volunteer Docent

*(This information furnished by Sharon A Thorne,
Oregon History Yes)*

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CITY OF PORTLAND

Measure 26-108

BALLOT TITLE

CONTINUES CITY PUBLIC CAMPAIGN FINANCING FOR MAYORAL, COMMISSIONER, AUDITOR CANDIDATES.

QUESTION: Shall Portland provide public campaign financing to City candidates who meet qualifying requirements and are subject to additional regulatory oversight?

SUMMARY: Measure would amend City code to continue Portland's public campaign financing program that otherwise ends after November 2010 election. Under program administered by City Auditor, candidates for Mayor, Commissioner, and Auditor would continue to be eligible to seek certification to receive public funds in primary, general, or special elections by collecting a certain number of \$5.00 qualifying contributions and meeting other requirements. Public funds available to certified candidates would continue at these spending limits: \$200,000 for Mayor, \$150,000 for Commissioner and Auditor in primary elections; \$250,000 for Mayor, \$200,000 for Commissioner and Auditor in general elections. Certified candidates would continue to be eligible for limited matching funds if other candidates' contributions or expenditures exceed certain thresholds. All City candidates would continue having more frequent campaign disclosure requirements. Program costs would depend on factors including the number of certified candidates. City would continue to limit the annual impact of the program on City funds to 0.2% without raising new taxes or fees. Would continue authorization of penalties for violations.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Effect of Vote

A "yes" vote on this measure would approve continuing the Campaign Finance Fund.

A "no" vote on this measure would reject continuing the Campaign Finance Fund.

Voter approval means existing Campaign Finance Fund requirements would still apply. Current program requirements and historical information are provided below.

The Campaign Finance Fund

Portland City Council created a public financing program, the Campaign Finance Fund, by ordinance in 2005. Under this program, administered by the City Auditor, candidates for Mayor, Commissioner, and Auditor may voluntarily seek certification to receive public funds in primary, general, or special elections by meeting City code requirements. These requirements include: collecting a certain number of \$5.00 qualifying contributions from Portland registered voters; limiting any private seed money contributions collected during the qualifying period; and meeting additional campaign disclosure requirements. If certified, a candidate must adhere to spending limits by only using public funds, qualifying contributions, and seed money contributions. Certified candidates must adhere to City limitations on the use of public funds, including only using these funds for direct campaign

purposes. Nonparticipating candidates have additional campaign disclosure requirements if contributions or expenditures exceed certain thresholds. The Auditor has the authority to issue penalties for violations of City code. Candidates may appeal an auditor's certification, matching funds, or penalty determination.

Public Funds to Candidates

A certified candidate in the primary election is eligible for the following public funds, less qualifying and seed money contributions, collected during the qualifying period:

- Mayor: \$200,000
- Commissioner and Auditor: \$150,000.

If no candidate for a City office receives a majority of votes cast in the primary election, a runoff is held at the general election.

A certified candidate in the general election is eligible for the following public funds:

- Mayor: \$250,000
- Commissioner and Auditor: \$200,000.

If a certified candidate is outspent by another candidate, the certified candidate is eligible to receive limited matching funds from the City.

Program Use, 2006 through 2010

- The City certified eleven candidates for public funds.
- Two certified candidates were elected to City office.
- In 2006, the City provided \$389,253 to three certified candidates.
- In 2008, the City provided \$1,224,466 to six certified candidates.
- In 2010, the City provided \$142,150 to one certified candidate.
- Two certified candidates, one in 2006 and one in 2008, were decertified for code violations.

Program Monies

- Campaign Finance Fund monies are appropriated annually by City Council.
- According to City code, the Campaign Finance Fund "shall limit annual impact on City funds to two tenths of one percent without raising any new taxes or fees."
- City taxes or fees have not been raised to fund the Campaign Finance Fund.

Total Program Expenditures

As of May 1, 2010, the City made the following total expenditures from the Campaign Finance Fund:

- \$1,755,869 to certified candidates.
- \$219,893 on materials, services, and administrative costs.

Submitted by
LaVonne Griffin-Valade
Portland City Auditor

CITY OF PORTLAND

Measure 26-108

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

**Voter-Owned Elections: Good for Democracy,
Good for Portland**

The League of Women Voters Says

Vote Yes on Measure 26-108

We all deserve an equal voice—and an equal vote—regardless of wealth or political power. League of Women Voters has supported Portland's Voter-Owned Elections since its adoption in 2005 to ensure that special interests do not overwhelm the public interest in local elections.

Good For Democracy

Instead of a handful of wealthy donors determining who represents us in City Hall, Voter-Owned Elections ensures that people from all walks of life can participate in the process on a level playing field.

The system works: In states from Maine to Arizona, and cities from Albuquerque to Portland, campaigns are cleaner and the influence of big money is reduced under Voter-Owned Elections. In just five years, Portland has elected two candidates using the program.

Simple and Accountable: A proven success in Portland, candidates who demonstrate broad, grassroots support—1,000, \$5 checks for City Council elections—are eligible to participate. Strict regulations determine how qualified candidates spend campaign funds.

Levels the Playing Field: Candidates participating in Voter-Owned Elections cannot accept special interest dollars; even wealthy contributors are limited to \$5 donations.

Good For Diversity

Data already shows that Voter-Owned Elections allows traditionally underrepresented populations, our neighborhoods, and small businesses to participate on an equal footing with downtown developers and others who traditionally dominate Portland politics.

Small and minority owned business groups, neighborhood leaders, and advocates for human services and environmental protection endorse Voter-Owned Elections.

Good For Portland

Portland embraces a tradition of innovation and thoughtful reform. Voter-Owned Elections is a simple, proven, and important program that works—providing an equal voice and a real choice on our ballots.

Vote **YES on 26-108** and continue Portland's Voter-Owned Elections!

League of Women Voters of Portland

(This information furnished by Carol Cushman, League of Women Voters of Portland)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Voter-Owned Elections Supported By Broad Based Coalition

With corporations and wealthy special interests playing a greater role in elections and politics, Portland's successful Voter-Owned Elections is a reform worth fighting for. Vote yes for 26-108 to silence the special interests and make your voice—and your vote—matter.

With Portland's efficient and proven system under attack by those who want to protect their special access and big money contributions, your YES vote is critical.

Join small business owners and faith leaders, equal rights groups and community organizations, neighborhood advocates and conservationists. All of us—joined by thousands of our Portland neighbors—support Voter-Owned Elections to keep Portland elections fair, open and accountable.

Alliance for Democracy
Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon
CAUSA Oregon
Center for Intercultural Organizing
Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon
Coalition for a Livable Future
Common Cause Oregon
Community Alliance of Tenants
Communication Workers of America, Local 7901
The Democratic Party of Multnomah County
League of Women Voters of Portland
Linnton Neighborhood Association
Onward Oregon
Oregon Action
Oregon AFSCME
Oregon Bus Project
Oregon League of Conservation Voters
Oregon State Public Interest Research Group (OSPIRG)
Partnership for Safety and Justice
Portland Green Party
Portland Jobs with Justice
Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 49
Street Roots
The Urban League of Portland, Inc.
VOIS Business Alliance
Western States Center

... and many, many more organizations, businesses, community leaders, elected officials, and everyday Portlanders urge your vote YES on 26-108. See the entire list at www.yesforportland.org

(This information furnished by Heather Stuart, Campaign Manager, Friends of Voter-Owned Elections)

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CITY OF PORTLAND

Measure 26-108

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Transparency and Accountability with Voter-Owned Elections Yes on 26-108

Accountability

City Hall should be accountable to Portland voters. Instead, candidates have traditionally been forced to spend too much time raising money from wealthy downtown insiders. Once in office, incumbents are pushed to reward special interest donors rather than being accountable to everyday voters.

Voter-Owned Elections changes the broken system of politics as usual, and puts into place appropriate checks and balances to ensure that City Hall works for us, not major campaign contributors.

Cost Effective

Voter-Owned Elections is cost effective compared to the high price of backroom deals that benefit big campaign contributors rather than typical Portlanders. The cost of Voter-Owned Elections is miniscule when compared to the public dollars for the tram, urban renewal districts, parking lot contracts, stadium deals, zoning decisions for new development, and other lucrative deals that cost taxpayers millions and have all too often been influenced by major campaign contributions.

If Voter-Owned Elections helps elect a person or preserves a culture at the City Council that saves even one major donation-driven boondoggle, it will pay for itself by many, many times over.

Strict Rules

Just like the rest of us, candidates should have to follow rules. Voter-Owned Elections forces candidates to be accountable and to follow rules – stricter than state law – that ensure money only goes for legitimate campaign expenses. Candidates are prohibited from raising any money beyond the limited financing they receive and must adhere to strict reporting requirements. When violations occur, they are caught and swiftly addressed due to prompt deadlines for addressing complaints and assessing penalties, including fines and jail time.

Transparency

Candidates using Voter-Owned Elections report expenditures more frequently than other candidates and are subject to thorough audits. No more back room exchanges of money or filtering of funds to hide the source. Instead, if candidates want to win, they must talk to voters and not just special interests.

(This information furnished by Heather Stuart, Campaign Manager, Friends of Voter-Owned Elections)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Shop Local, Vote Local

Local Businesses Support Voter-Owned Elections

Diversity is a strength of Portland, as is our pride in local and small business: There is no greater expression of our commitment to thriving small and local businesses than Voter-Owned Elections—shop local, vote local!

Local businesses have come together to help our community recover from this down economy and need to have a stronger voice in City Hall. Without local business representation in our city government, the result has been and will be policies and programs that benefit the few and the powerful, too often at the expense of the rest of us.

It's no wonder so many businesses support Portland's proven, accountable, and common sense Voter-Owned Elections. Voter-Owned Elections (VOE) gives all of us an equal voice in our politics—and the management of our city that results.

Like anyone in business knows, the numbers don't lie: VOE has REDUCED the cost of elections—regardless of whether a candidate opts into the system. Less money raised from special interests equals greater accountability and independence once elected.

We also see a difference in public and small business participation: having to collect 1000 \$5 checks means more people are engaged and invested in Portland politics. The more our neighbors pay attention—and believe in—the process of electing local leaders, the more it helps our city as a whole.

And best of all, Voter-Owned Elections require candidates to follow strict rules -- just like the rest of us.

Join small, local, sustainable and minority-owned business leaders throughout Portland and send a message that Voter-Owned Elections is for ALL of us!

Brian Rohter, Co-founder, Habitat Media
New Seasons Market

Ben Davis, President, Mary Mandeville, D.C.
Grand Central Baking Co

Concordia Chiropractic Center Pro Activist Computer Support, Inc

Convergence Architecture, Randy Hewitt, D.C.
PC Portland Chiropractic Group, Inc.

David Chen, Equilibrium Tom Dwyer Automotive
Capital Services, Inc.

EcoTech Environmental Tony Fuentes, Milagros
Services Boutique

Eleek, Inc.

(This information furnished by Sattie Clark, VOIS Business Alliance)

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CITY OF PORTLAND

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Voter-Owned Elections Supported by Leaders of Portland's Faith Community

Leaders of Portland's faith community have joined in clear support of Voter-Owned Elections because we care deeply about assuring that all voices are heard in the political process. We urge a YES vote on 26-108.

We agree that campaign finance reform is a moral matter in more ways than one.

As national religious leaders have said in support of campaign finance reform, the temptation to use money to buy unjust favors is ancient and remains strong. The prophet Amos thundered against those merchants who "sell the righteous for silver and the needy for a pair of shoes and push the afflicted out of the way" (Amos 2:6-7 NRSV).

Too often the political system is open only to those with money. Decisions about public policy are not decided by principled debate in a free and fair manner but behind closed doors where only politicians and large contributors are welcome. The most vulnerable are often left behind and good people are often led astray.

Portland's Voter Owned Elections opens that door and thus we urge you to vote Yes on 26-108.

Sincerely,

Rev. Chuck Currie, Minister, United Church of Christ

Rev. Dr. Walter John Boris, Conference Minister, Central Pacific Conference, United Church of Christ

Rev. Eugene Ross, Retired Minister, United Church of Christ

Rev. Dr. Arvin R. Luchs, Minister, United Methodist Church

Rev. Dr. Patricia Ross, U.C.C. Minister

Rev. Joseph Santos-Lyons, Unitarian Universalist

Rev. Don Frueh, Minister United Church of Christ

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(This information furnished by Reverend Chuck Currie, United Church of Christ)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

**Voter-Owned Elections
More Voices and Better Choices**

Oregon was among the first states to give women the right to vote and a leader in civil rights legislation. Here in Portland, we value diversity. In a City where 25% of people identify with communities of color, it is a major disparity when only two people of color (and only 7 women!) have ever served on the City Council in its 160-year history. **We deserve more voices and better choices.**

Our city benefits when we have dedicated elected officials who can focus fairly on the issues that impact everyday Portlanders, not raising hundreds of thousands of dollars to run for office. Too many good, hardworking citizens are excluded from running for political office because raising big money in politics is a real barrier, particularly for people of color, women and working class people.

We need to continue Voter-Owned Elections because it provides a smart way for qualified and accountable candidates to address real concerns without being forced to play to a few wealthy big donors. Potential candidates talk to over 1,000 citizens in the process of becoming certified, strengthening candidates understanding and readiness, and increasing discussion of the critical issues that are impacting our economy, neighborhoods and public services. When elected, these candidates have the ability to stay focused on community needs, not special interests.

Voter-Owned Elections provides us with an effective system that gives everyone an equal vote and equal voice in how our government is run.

Join the Center for Intercultural Organizing and the Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon in supporting Voter-Owned Elections to increase diversity and equality.

(This information furnished by Kayse Jama, Center for Intercultural Organizing)

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CITY OF PORTLAND

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Voter-Owned Elections Supported By Oregon League of Conservation Voters and Coalition for a Livable Future

Why do so many environmental and community organizations across Portland support Voter-Owned Elections? It's simple: Voter-Owned Elections give real people a real voice in the political process, allowing our values and priorities to be reflected in City Hall. The result: more opportunities to protect our environment, make investments in sustainable, livable neighborhoods, and expand healthy, affordable choices for how we travel.

The status quo—big corporations pumping big bucks into our elections—too often places the issues we care about on the back burner. Elected officials who owe their success to big donors rather than the people they serve are not as focused on issues like conservation, community development, climate change, and green jobs.

Voter-Owned Elections change all of that by limiting campaign spending and forcing candidates to earn our direct support. For the small price we pay for Voter-Owned Elections, we get huge dividends in protecting and enhancing our quality of life. We will have better leaders make better budget decisions, which translates into more investment of limited resources in the programs and policies that make our communities better.

Join the Oregon League of Conservation Voters and Coalition for a Livable Future, and send a message to the polluters and powerful interests opposing Voter-Owned Elections: we all deserve a voice in our elections. Vote YES on 26-108!

(This information furnished by Tresa Horney, Oregon League of Conservation Voters)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

The American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees

urges you to vote YES on 26-108 for Voter-Owned Elections

For too long, Portland elections have been a pay-to-play system, open to candidates with corporate backing but closed off to hard-working, tax-paying people like the men and women AFSCME represents.

Voter-Owned Elections changes that. The kind of support that candidates need to run and win under the program comes from spending time talking to voters, not from special interest dollars.

The Voter-Owned Elections program does not directly limit privately-financed candidates' funding or spending. But under the program, overall spending in local elections has been dramatically reduced because even non-participating candidates are choosing to spend less money across the board.

AFSCME men and women do the tough jobs that too many elected officials take for granted as part of what makes Portland the City That Works, including our road crews, hospitals, water treatment facilities, and other public services. And through the union's political work, members know first-hand what works in running, the city- and what doesn't. By allowing candidates to run for office based on community support, Voter-Owned Elections create a strong connection between city government and working people.

Successful Voter-Owned Elections candidates qualify, run, and win because they have built the community connections to know how to do what's right for working people. By continuing the program, the women and men AFSCME represents will have a path to engage meaningfully in city politics, and a fighting chance to run for office themselves.

*(This information furnished by Joseph E Baessler,
Oregon AFSCME Council 75)*

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CITY OF PORTLAND

Measure 26-108

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

**Portlanders Deserve Fair and Clean Elections
Vote Yes on 26-108 for Voter Owned Elections**

Voter-Owned Elections let everyday citizens run for Portland City Council. Voter-Owned Elections ensure that candidates are accountable to the public, rather than wealthy corporate special interests and creates a situation where all serious candidates have enough resources to get their message into the hands of voters.

A YES vote for 26-108 will keep grassroots power in City of Portland elections. Candidates will have to hit the pavement and ask voters for their support before their name is on the ballot.

Voter-Owned Elections let individuals contribute small amounts of money in support of a candidate. Candidates will qualify for the ballot by gathering a \$5 contribution from 1,000 individuals for City Council and 1,500 individuals for Mayor.

As campaigns grow more and more expensive, it's time for Portlanders to guarantee that our representatives in City Hall are in touch with the lives of everyday Portland families.

SEIU 49 is Encouraging a YES vote on Measure 26-108 to keep Portland's Working Family Values in City Hall.

(This information furnished by Felisa Hagins, SEIU 49)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

**Don't Lose Your Voice!
Opposition to Voter-Owned Elections by Major Donors to
Portland Campaigns**

The Portland Business Alliance and Portland Metro Association of Realtors were the major organizations opposing Voter-Owned Elections in 2005. **These groups gave \$21,500 and \$19,875, respectively, to city candidates in 2004, the last pre-reform election cycle. Obviously everyday, hardworking Portlanders can't afford to spend that kind of money on campaign contributions.**

Their opposition didn't take the form of defending their right to continue making these large contributions. Instead they argued over the enactment process. The City Council, however, listened to the **grassroots supporters of reform who outnumbered opponents** and adopted the Voter-Owned Elections ordinance. But they promised to send it to the ballot in five years and it is there as 26-108.

The Portland Business Alliance tried unsuccessfully to repeal Voter-Owned Elections in 2006, failing because they didn't have the grassroots support needed to collect enough valid signatures. **The Portland Business Alliance and other donors to the repeal effort had given almost \$600,000 to city candidates in 2004. Those contributions came from only 100 donors, but their fundraising represented 20 percent of all contributions to city candidates in 2004.**

The Portland Business Alliance was the major bankroller of the failed repeal campaign, giving \$49,000. They were joined by the Oregon Restaurant Association, the conservative Taxpayers of Oregon, utilities, timber interests, and developers giving contributions ranging from \$5,000 to almost \$11,000. **Again, these are not everyday Portlanders.**

Evidently fearing failure in November, the Portland Business Alliance sent a letter to the City Council this spring urging it to kill Voter-Owned Elections BEFORE it reached the ballot. **In an obvious power grab, the Portland Business Alliance flip-flopped from its earlier support for a popular vote.**

This history shows the importance of Voter-Owned Elections because it is about the people of Portland having power in City Hall, not corporations and special interests.

**Common Cause Oregon Says Don't Lose Your Voice!
Vote Yes on 26-108!**

(This information furnished by Janice Thompson, Common Cause Oregon)

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CITY OF PORTLAND

Measure 26-108

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

League of Women Voters and Common Cause Identified a Problem Voter-Owned Elections is the Solution

The problem?

The voices of ordinary Portlanders were drowned out in city elections dominated by major contributors. In 2004, 7% of donors contributed nearly 70% of campaign funds, writing checks of \$1,000 or more. Just 83 contributors comprised 35% of total donations in contributions of \$5,000 or more. Most hardworking Portlanders can't spend that kind of money.

The solution?

Voter-Owned Elections, adopted in 2005, is a proven solution to "politics as usual." Candidates can run without big money donors, and instead rely on broad citizen involvement. Voter-Owned Elections gives everyday Portlanders a strong voice in City Hall with candidates accountable to voters, not special interests.

10 Successes of Voter-Owned Elections...So Many We Need Two Statements

Success #1: It works

Two candidates have won using the Voter-Owned Elections program in three election cycles. The rules are tough, but can be followed. Strict qualifying requirements mean that over two-thirds of those wanting to participate were not certified.

Success #2: Reduced campaign spending

Voter-Owned Elections candidates reduced campaign spending. Also most nonparticipating candidates are voluntarily self-imposing spending limits. Spending was reduced by 37% between the 2004 (pre-reform) and 2008 (post-reform) mayoral primaries.

Success #3: Large contributions rare, reduced special interest influence

Large contributions of \$1,000, \$5,000, or more are largely a thing of the past. Even non-participating candidates are typically limiting their contributions to \$500 or less.

Success #4: Average campaign contribution much lower, reduced special interest influence.

Voter-Owned Election candidates' average contribution is \$14. Post-reform nonparticipating candidates' average contribution is \$218. From 1992 through 2004 city candidates' average contribution was \$365.

Success #5: People power from across Portland

The entry fee for playing a genuine role in selecting who runs for office is now an affordable \$5. Thousands of Portlanders from each neighborhood have made qualifying contributions, setting the stage for more grassroots, volunteer-oriented campaigns.

Vote Yes on 26-108

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Successes of Voter-Owned Elections continued

Success #6: More diversity

In 2008, Commissioner Amanda Fritz became only the seventh woman to serve on the City Council in its 160-year history. Fritz, a long time neighborhood activist, says she would not have run without the reform option. The field for the open seat won by Commissioner Fritz also included African-American and environmental activists who attributed their candidacies to Voter-Owned Elections.

Success #7: More choices and competition

In the past, City Council incumbents typically faced no financially viable opponents. Due to Voter-Owned Elections the trend is towards more competition with more discussion of issues.

Success #8: Harder working incumbents

Incumbents running as Voter-Owned Elections candidates, or with self-imposed contribution limits, make more contact with voters than when they relied on established rolodexes for typical private money fundraising prior to reform.

Success #9: No more war chest fundraising

Voter-Owned Elections incumbents raise no money while in office so concerns about use of campaign funds for non-campaign purposes are eliminated. Also these incumbents receive no contributions between elections from anybody with business before City Council.

Success #10: More transparency and accountability

Voter-Owned Elections candidates report expenditures more frequently and comply with stricter rules on campaign spending than required under state law. When violations occur, they are swiftly addressed with penalties.

Voter-Owned Elections: Sound Investment in Democracy

Portland's Office of Management and Finance recommended adding Voter-Owned Elections to an existing group of city functions supported by allocations from each city bureau commensurate to their portion of the budget.

The cost of the Voter-Owned Elections program is capped at 0.2% of the budget and involves no new taxes or fees. Program costs haven't come close to this limit.

According to the Auditor's explanatory statement, total cost is \$1,975,762, including administration, or 68 cents per Portland resident over the five years since enactment.

**League of Women Voters of Portland
Common Cause Oregon Say
Vote Yes on 26-108**

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CITY OF PORTLAND

Measure 26-108

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

As a Portland Firefighter, I ask you to Vote NO on Measure 26-108

When seconds count, having firefighters nearby to help in an emergency is critical. Yet because of the city budget shortfall, Portland recently had to eliminate one of its fire rescue units. If the city has any extra money, it should be using it to fund emergency services like these, not political campaigns.

Our city's safety needs to be a priority.

Every citizen of Portland deserves a quick response when they have an emergency. As a firefighter, I know how critical the fire bureau's work is; they help save people's lives and property every day. City resources should focus on keeping our citizens safe.

Portland is suffering some of the worst unemployment rates in the nation. Regular Portlanders are hurting. We should be using every dollar we can to put people back to work and turn the economy around.

As a firefighter, I believe city resources should be focused on critical needs, such as emergency services and job creation. It is wrong to spend taxpayer dollars on political campaigns, especially right now when fire rescue units are being closed due to budget shortfalls.

Please vote NO on Measure 26-108!

James R. Forquey, President
Portland Fire Fighters Association

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ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

As the former Superintendent of David Douglas Schools, I am Voting NO on Measure 26-108

Running a school district for more than a decade showed me first-hand the tough impact budget cuts have on children's educational environment -- increased class sizes, program cuts and teacher layoffs -- all hurting our children's ability to succeed in tomorrow's global economy. **If the city has extra money, it should be used to help local schools, not to fund political campaigns.** As a former superintendent, I know our school system and our children's education is suffering due to budget cuts and we need to do everything we can to offset these cuts so our children's futures are not in jeopardy. We cannot support city money being spent on the campaigns of incumbent politicians; I believe schools should be our first priority during a tough economy.

A child's ability to succeed depends on adequate school funding.

The long-term success of Oregon relies on our children's success. I know first-hand that every child in Oregon who receives a quality education has a better chance of having a good job and becoming a productive member of our community. The city has been a good partner to schools in these tough times, but recent budget cuts limit how much help the city can provide for important programs like SUN Schools, transportation and school security. The money spent to pay politicians to run for office would go a very long way to helping restore programs recently cut from schools. Taxpayer resources should focus on keeping our teachers at work and providing a quality education for our children.

As a former school district superintendent, I believe city resources should be focused on critical needs, including support for local schools. It is wrong to spend taxpayer dollars on political campaigns, especially right now when our schools are facing huge budget cuts.

Please join me in voting no on 26-108!

Barbara Rommel
Retired Superintendent
David Douglas School District

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CITY OF PORTLAND

Measure 26-108

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

Vote NO on Measure 26-108.

Measure 26-108 asks voters if they want to continue paying for politicians' campaigns while job creation, schools, and basic services endure damaging budget cuts. Taxpayer funding of political campaigns is just not a priority and Portlanders should vote **NO**. Here's just a few reasons why:

- **We simply can't afford to use tax dollars to fund political campaigns.** We're in a deep recession and Portland has one of the highest rates of unemployment in the nation. At a time when Portlanders are struggling to make ends meet, we simply cannot afford to waste taxpayer dollars to fund political campaigns. We need job creation, school funding, and basic services we can depend on.
- **Funding for our schools is a priority. Politicians' campaigns are not.** Our schools are in crisis. Right now Portland Public Schools are tapping into reserves, increasing class sizes, and cutting music and P.E. while taxpayer dollars are being used to fund politicians' campaigns. Our children deserve better, and we should be prioritizing scarce dollars for them, not for political campaigns.
- **Taxpayer funded campaigns divert money from basic services.** This year, budget cuts forced the City of Portland to **close Fire Rescue 19**, an important emergency medical response unit. When seconds count, citizens will now have to wait longer to receive medical treatment, which could have deadly consequences. Ending taxpayer funded campaigns would free up resources to fund basic services like Fire Rescue 19.
- **Taxpayer funded campaigns waste money and lack accountability.** There is so little accountability for the program that one candidate paid her 16 year-old daughter over \$12,000 for "consulting work" and fraudulently acquired the necessary signatures to qualify for the program. After these issues were discovered, the candidate was ordered to return the public campaign funds to the City. Years later, she has not repaid the funds, and owes more than \$90,000 plus interest to the City.

Vote NO on Measure 26-108.

Randy Leonard
Portland City Commissioner

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ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

Small Business Owners Say Vote NO on Measure 26-108

In 2005, the Portland City Council created a brand new program, one of the first in the nation, to use taxpayer dollars to fund politicians running for city council, mayoral and city auditor positions. To date, the city has spent **\$1.75 million taxpayer dollars** – money raised through the business license tax, water bills and other sources – on this program.

In those five years, only two taxpayer-funded candidates have actually been elected including one who quit after just a few months the office. We are now facing budget shortages. Vital services, like education programs, police, fire, and help to small businesses, have been cut as budgets have gotten tighter and tighter.

In running a small business, we know that every dollar counts and with tight budgets our dollars are spent wisely. This program lacks any accountability for how candidates use these funds, and there have been abuses of taxpayer public dollars. One candidate paid her 16-year-old daughter more than \$12,000 for "consulting work" with our tax dollars. The candidate was later disqualified from the race for falsified signatures, but the city has been unable to recover most of the money it gave her for her campaign.

It is time to tell the city to end this program and use our tax dollars for schools, public safety and job creation.

Put simply: **we can't afford to use taxpayer dollars to fund political campaigns in the City of Portland right now.**

Please join us in voting NO on Measure 26-108!

Debbie Kitchin, owner of InterWorks, LLC.
Chuck Jones, Chuck Jones & Associates

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CITY OF PORTLAND

Measure 26-108

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION**Small Business Owners are Voting NO on Measure 26-108**

Throughout our city and on the Eastside where many of us do business, we have seen the impacts of the economic downturn, with high employment and cuts in public services. In these tough economic times **we need to focus our resources on getting our economy moving again** and creating good-paying jobs. As small business owners, we've had to tighten our belts in the past couple years and prioritize our most critical needs to keep employees working. The city should be focusing on the same critical priorities.

We need to focus city resources on putting people back to work.

Every job created means a business is growing and the state is gaining a taxpayer. Struggling small businesses – whether it is on the Eastside or Westside of our city – need all the help they can get. City resources should be focused on supporting small business growth, which will in turn create jobs and more revenue for our state budget.

Small business owners believe city resources should be focused on critical needs, such as economic development and job growth. It is wrong to spend taxpayer dollars on political campaigns, especially right now when we have high unemployment and many other pressing needs.

Please join us in voting no on 26-108!

Patrick F. Donaldson, Board member, Hollywood Boosters
Rick Campbell
Paul Clark
David Pietka

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ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION**No on 26-108**

As a native Portlander and former City Club president, I am proud of how open our city is. By long tradition, City Hall and our commissioners' offices are open to any citizen, not just to special interest advocates. As voters we maintain our independence, choosing candidates based on issues and not on advertising budgets.

Because of that tradition, I was puzzled when the City Council decided to use tax dollars for political campaigns. They said it was to keep big money out of Portland politics. But was that ever really a problem? Ask Tom Potter, whose low-budget 2004 mayoral campaign won over a much better financed candidate. "Big money" didn't help there. If anything it hurt, and since then campaign spending in Portland has ratcheted down, probably because of the Potter factor.

What taxpayer-financed campaigns have produced is fraud and questionable campaign spending. In 2006, your taxes went to a candidate who paid her 16-year-old daughter thousands of dollars for "consulting work" and whose other spending decisions ended with her disqualification from the race, penalties, demands for return of the city money, and criminal charges against her chief petitioner. This year a candidate spent more than \$50,000 of public funds on door-to-door canvassers, doing the sort of work that unpaid volunteers ought to do, and he received 8 percent of the final vote. These were your tax dollars.

I'm particularly disturbed that there is no limit to what this program can cost in any election year. With money scarce for really important services like schools, can we afford or tolerate an open-ended program like this one, managed by the same people who have brought us a failed program and have funded it with our taxes? Who is minding this store? We Portlanders deserve better.

This isn't the right way to spend scarce public resources.

Please join me in voting no on 26-108!

Jim Westwood
Portland citizen

(This information furnished by Jon Coney, Portlanders Against Taxpayer-Funded Political Campaigns)

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CITY OF PORTLAND

Measure 26-108

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

Vote NO on Measure 26-108

In these tough economic times we need to focus every penny on the most important community services: fire, schools and health care. As a social service volunteer, I know how difficult it is to find resources for affordable housing, alcohol and drug treatment and employment training. That's why I am very troubled that scarce city dollars are being spent to help politicians run political campaigns. Community services are in urgent need of funding and should be the top priority of the city.

We need to focus city resources on essential community services.

With the economy struggling, there are more people in need of services. We hear from community members experiencing tough times every day. They all want the same essential thing: a safe and secure life. Community services that support and protect our city's families should be a top priority when it comes to funding priorities. How can the city justify giving hundreds of thousands of dollars to political candidates when community services that help Portlanders afford basic safety and quality of life are being cut?

As a social service advocate, I believe that city resources should be focused on critical community services. It is wrong to spend taxpayer dollars on political campaigns, especially right now when our community's safety, education and health are in jeopardy.

Please join me in voting no on 26-108!

John E. Keith
Former President, ELDERS in Action
Volunteer, St. Vincent de Paul

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ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

Vote NO on Ballot Measure 26-108

In May 2005, Portland became one of the first cities in the nation to use taxpayer dollars to fund the campaigns of politicians. After five years and nearly \$1.75 million in taxpayer dollars spent and numerous problems, including misuse (and even criminal abuse) of public funds, it's time for us to rethink how we're using the city's scarce resources.

The fact is, right now we don't have enough for essential community services like schools and firefighters. With Portland's unemployment rate among the highest in the nation, we should be focusing our scarce resources where they will really count: on job creation, supporting our firefighters and helping kids get an education. Instead, the city has spent an average of \$440,000 taxpayer dollars per year on political campaigns. That's wrong.

What could the average \$440,000 a year buy if the city weren't paying for political campaigns?

- Roughly eight teachers' salaries each year
- Eight of the 17 unfilled positions in the Portland Police Bureau
- Hundreds of hours of SUN school programs for Portland's neediest, most at-risk students
- Help reopen a recently shuttered fire rescue station at Mt. Tabor
- Assistance for the city's neighborhood small business programs to help them create jobs and provide economic vitality
- Hundreds of shelter beds for the unemployed homeless hit hard by the recession
- A significant boost in the city's economic development programs

All of these essential services, and many more, deserve funding before politicians. Instead, scarce money has gone to political campaigns, with little or no accountability for how it is spent. One candidate even paid her 16-year-old daughter more than \$12,000 for "consulting work" with our tax dollars. Put simply: we can't afford to use taxpayer dollars to fund political campaigns in the City of Portland right now.

Please vote NO on Measure 26-108 this November.

Portlanders Against Taxpayer-Funded Political Campaigns

(This information furnished by Laura Imeson, Portlanders Against Taxpayer-Funded Political Campaigns)

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CITY OF PORTLAND

Measure 26-108

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

As a Portland Police Officer, I urge you to Vote NO on Measure 26-108

This year, hundreds of crimes will go unsolved in the city of Portland. Right now there are 17 unfilled positions within the Portland Police Bureau. In these tough economic times, we need to focus every penny on the most important community services, public safety, education and health care.

The \$440,000 a year in taxpayer funds paying politicians to run for public office would go a long way in getting more police officers on the street. It's wrong to prioritize funding politicians' campaigns with taxpayer dollars above basic public safety.

Our community's safety needs to be a priority during tough times like these.

Every citizen of Portland deserves to feel safe. As a police officer, I am concerned about being able to respond when the community needs help. We recently had seven gang shootings in one evening! We can't afford frills when basic services are stretched to the breaking point. City resources should focus first and foremost on keeping citizens safe.

I believe city resources should be focused on critical needs, such as keeping Portland citizens safe and secure. It is wrong to spend taxpayer dollars on political campaigns, especially right now when there isn't enough money for basic services.

Please vote no on Measure 26-108.

Daryl Turner
Portland Police Association

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CITY OF PORTLAND

Measure 26-117

BALLOT TITLE

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR FIRE VEHICLES AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE INFRASTRUCTURE

QUESTION: Shall Portland issue bonds for \$72,400,000 for fire vehicles, emergency radio system, fire and emergency response facilities; require audits?

If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY: This measure would allow Portland to issue \$72,400,000 in general obligation bonds and use the proceeds to finance the acquisition of fire engines and other emergency response vehicles that are needed to maintain existing service levels and replace aging vehicles, provide funds for replacement of the City's obsolete public safety emergency radio system, finance the construction of a fire station and related facilities and finance the construction of an emergency response center. The bond proceeds would be restricted to capital construction, improvements and costs, and would not be used for day-to-day operations. Use of the bond proceeds would be audited to determine whether approved public purposes are achieved. Bonds would be exempt from city charter debt limitation. Bonds could be issued in one or more series; before issuance of bonds subsequent to the first offering, the City's Chief Administrative Officer would be required to report to Council on bond expenditures and cost savings. A five member citizen committee would be established to review the use of the bond expenditures and provide annual reports.

Explanation of Measure:

The City is authorized to issue bonds, in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$72,400,000 which shall be general obligations of the City. The proceeds of such bonds shall be placed in a special fund to be established by the Council, and shall be used for capital construction, improvements and costs which consist of: providing fire and emergency response vehicles that are needed to maintain existing service levels and replace aging fire and emergency response vehicles; funding replacement of the City's obsolete public safety emergency radio system; and providing funds for construction of a fire station and related facilities and an emergency response center. The City's use of these resources will be audited to determine whether the voter-approved public purposes for the bond funds are achieved. A five-member citizen committee with relevant expertise will be established to review bond expenditures and provide annual reports to Council on whether such expenditures adhere to voter-approved uses. If the bonds are issued in more than one series, prior to the issuance of any bonds subsequent to the first offering, the Chief Administrative Officer of the City will present to Council a report on the Bond expenditures to date and a listing of any savings that have occurred due to lower than expected construction costs and/or apparatus replacement prices.

Submitted by
Commissioner Randy Leonard
City of Portland

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Effect of Vote

A "yes" vote would approve the City to issue general obligation bonds to replace aging fire and emergency response vehicles, provide funds for replacement of the City's obsolete public safety emergency radio system, and construct a fire station and an emergency response center.

A "no" vote would reject the proposal to issue general obligation bonds to replace aging fire and emergency response vehicles, provide funds for replacement of the City's obsolete public safety emergency radio system, and construct a fire station and an emergency response center.

No arguments AGAINST this measure were filed.

CITY OF PORTLAND

Measure 26-117

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Vote YES on Measure 26-117

Public Safety is the most basic element of a livable community. A YES vote on Measure 26-117 is the right thing to do to protect the lives of our firefighters, police, and our community.

Measure 26-117 will:

- Replace aging fire and emergency response vehicles
- Replace our obsolete public safety radio system
- Construct a fire station and emergency response center
- Improve response times

Portland firefighters need emergency response vehicles they can depend on.

Tragedy struck recently in Seattle when a water pump on a 13 year-old fire engine failed at an apartment fire, leaving firefighters helpless to suppress the fire as a mother and four children perished inside the building.

Portland cannot afford to repeat Seattle's deadly mistakes. Some of Portland's fire and rescue vehicles are nearly 20 years old and need to be taken out of service before a mechanical failure results in a tragedy in our community.

Police and firefighters need a stable radio system to fight crime and save lives.

As we saw with 9/11, an up-to-date emergency radio system can literally mean the difference between life and death. But Portland's public safety radio system is faltering, so old that there are no replacement parts and few people with the expertise to make repairs. A system failure is increasingly likely, and would put lives at risk in an emergency.

Citizens should be able to depend on help when they need it.

When a mother threw her children off the Sellwood Bridge into the Willamette River, it took Portland Fire **44 minutes** to reach them. That's unacceptable. A new fire station at the East end of the Hawthorne Bridge will enhance response times in Southeast Portland and reduce downtown river rescue response times to under 10 minutes.

**A YES vote on Measure 26-117
is the right thing to do for our community.
Lives depend on it.**

(This information furnished by Ty Kovatch, Portlanders for Public Safety)

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CITY OF TROUTDALE

Measure 26-115

BALLOT TITLE

TROUTDALE CHARTER AMENDMENTS TO DEFINE MAYOR'S FUNCTIONS AND MANAGER'S DUTIES

QUESTION: Shall Troutdale amend Home Rule Charter to define Mayor's functions and Manager's duties?

SUMMARY: This measure would amend three sections and delete one section of the current City Charter. The City Council approved this measure for submission to City voters.

The Oregon Constitution gives City voters the right to adopt and amend charters. Charters grant legal authority to cities and assign duties to city officials. Troutdale voters adopted the current charter in 1994.

The Charter amendments are based on the 2004 League of Oregon Cities Model Charter. Amended section 18 defines the role and functions of the Mayor. Amended section 21 defines the office of City Manager and lists its duties. Section 20 of the current Charter relating to Mayor executive authority is deleted.

If approved by the voters, these Charter amendments take effect January 1, 2011.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Measure 26-115 would streamline and modernize the Troutdale City Charter by eliminating what the city's Organization Improvement Study Group Subcommittee found to be obsolete and conflicting language.

Background

The Troutdale City Charter is the governing document for the City of Troutdale. A Charter grants legal authority to a city, and, among other things, it establishes the roles and duties of city officers. The Oregon Constitution gives city voters the right to adopt and amend home rule charters. Troutdale voters adopted the current City Charter in 1994.

In March, the City Council appointed an Organization Improvement Study Group Subcommittee to review city structure. The Subcommittee met on June 8 and June 15, 2010 to hear and consider possible amendments to the 1994 City of Troutdale Home Rule Charter.

What would the measure do?

The Subcommittee found several sections of the Charter, which has not been reviewed in sixteen years, to be confusing, conflicting, and outdated. It recommended that one section of the Charter be deleted and that three sections be replaced with provisions from the 2004 League of Oregon Cities Model Charter.

The measure would:

- Clarify and define the role and functions of the mayor;
- Explain that the mayor is the political head of the city government;
- Change the name of the office of city administrator to that of city manager, in keeping with the majority of Oregon cities of comparable size and the position's current duties;
- List the duties of the city manager, which are currently described in a city Ordinance rather than being assigned in the Charter, where they more appropriately belong;
- Explain that the city manager is the administrative head of the city government; and
- Delete Section 20 of the current Charter relating to the mayor's executive authority.

The proposed amendments would not change city operating procedure, but would modernize the Charter by eliminating obsolete and conflicting language.

If approved by the voters, these Charter amendments would take effect January 1, 2011.

The complete text of the Charter amendments is available online at www.troutdale.info.

Submitted by
David Ross,
City Attorney
City of Troutdale

No arguments FOR or AGAINST this measure were filed.

CITY OF TROUTDALE

Measure 26-116

BALLOT TITLE

CITY OF TROUTDALE, OREGON POLICE FACILITY GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AUTHORIZATION

QUESTION: Shall the City of Troutdale issue general obligation bonds not exceeding \$7,540,000 for police facilities? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY: If approved, this measure would finance constructing, furnishing, and equipping of a new police facility on property currently owned by the City at SW 2nd Street and Kendall Avenue, site improvements and pay bond costs. Specifically, this measure is expected to:

- Construct, furnish and equip a new police facility.
- Make site improvements for new police facility.
- Demolish existing police facility and make site improvements.
- Pay fees associated with issuing the bonds.

The Bonds would mature in twenty one (21) years or less from issuance date and may be issued in one or more series.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Purpose

Measure 26-116 would authorize the City of Troutdale to issue and sell General Obligation Bonds up to a maximum of \$7,540,000 dollars to construct and equip a new police facility. The term of the Bonds would not exceed twenty-one (21) years.

Estimated Tax Rate

If the city would issue the maximum amount of the Bonds authorized by this Measure, the tax rate to the individual property owner would increase approximately \$0.42 per \$1,000 of assessed value, or about \$42.00 per year for every \$100,000 of assessed value. For a home in Troutdale assessed by Multnomah County at \$200,000, the estimated annual increase in property taxes would be approximately \$84.00 per year (or \$7.00 per month). The payment on the bond would begin in year 2011.

Building Location

The new police facility would meet the current and future space requirements of the police department. The police facility would be built on property owned by the city at SW 2nd Street and SW Kendall Avenue, which was originally purchased for new city facilities.

Background

The police department has been at its current location, an old bank building, since 1991. The existing building is 54 years old and, according to the building codes official, has structural, electrical, heating, ventilation and plumbing issues. A space needs assessment conducted in May of 2008 by Group Mackenzie, an architectural firm, identified that the existing building, which has been renovated twice, has reached capacity and there is no room for further growth or ability to expand the current facility.

The existing police facility does not meet the department's current requirements, and, as noted in the space needs assessment, will not meet the anticipated growth of the department over the next 20 years. In addition to those noted above, the current police facility has several limitations including insufficient space for the Emergency Operations Center and no secured parking for the patrol vehicles.

Summary

Proceeds from the bond sale would be dedicated to constructing and equipping a new police facility and demolishing the existing police facility. The proposed facility would be designed for modern technological, staffing, and community needs, and would meet the latest earthquake and safety standards, and serve as the city's Emergency Operations Center when needed. The architect, HSR Master Planning and Architecture, LLC, estimates that the new police facility would have a useful life of at least 50 years.

Submitted by
David Ross,
City Attorney
City of Troutdale

No arguments AGAINST this measure were filed.

CITY OF TROUTDALE

Measure 26-116

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

We have seen other communities deteriorate due to gangs and other criminal activity. That is not Troutdale's identity, nor should it ever be. Investing in public safety now is our best course of action to preserve our city's livability well into the future.

The delivery of police services in Troutdale is at a **critical** point that can only be solved with your help.

The existing Troutdale police Station was built for a staff of four bank employees in 1956 when the population was 516. There are now 34 members of the Police Department serving a population of 15,565. The building is cramped, has serious structural, electrical, heating, ventilation, air and water quality problems and does not accommodate people with disabilities. Professional architects and engineers say the 54 year-old building is not suited for expansion or upgrades and would not be cost effective to consider such a plan.

A new building will provide for increased technology, such as crime analysis, a program that enables the police to intervene sooner in crimes such as gang activity, burglaries, car break-ins, and graffiti. The new building will also be a resource center that provides the necessities to properly manage an emergency operation such as flooding, weather related storms, earthquakes, railroad or truck chemical spills, or airplane crashes. The quick response to such catastrophes reduces loss of life and property damage.

Vote yes on Ballot Measure 26-116 because:

- **Bond interest rates are at their lowest levels in decades**
- **The construction industry is highly competitive now**
- **It will be a 50 year facility built on city-owned property**
- **A new facility will properly protect your city assets**
- **The need and cost will only increase with time**

Friends of Troutdale Police

(This information furnished by Norman Thomas, Friends of Troutdale Police)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

We are fortunate to live in one of the best small towns in America due, in no small part, to our outstanding police department - individuals who have dedicated their lives to serving and protecting our community.

We all want to feel safe in our community, and have seen other communities deteriorate due to gangs and other criminal activity. Investing in public safety now is our best course of action.

The time is long overdue for us, as a community, to show our appreciation and support by providing these brave men and women with an appropriate facility.

Let's share the responsibility of making Troutdale a safer more livable city...

Vote Yes on Measure 26-116

Jim Kight, Mayor

Doug Daoust, Council President

Matt Wand, Councilor

Norm Thomas, Councilor

Glenn White, Councilor

Barbara Kyle, Councilor

(This information furnished by Norm Thomas, Friends of Troutdale Police)

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CITY OF TROUTDALE

Measure 26-116

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

If you are unaware of the abhorrent conditions of the existing Troutdale Police Station, read the following statements from the June 22, 2010 Troutdale City council meeting from a city building official:

“Our police department is housed in a derelict building that requires a tremendous amount of maintenance and repair work to keep it operational...”

- There is always something breaking down, circuits are tripping, ongoing electrical problems, water leaks, HVAC ceases to function, and the list just goes on...
- It is a dysfunctional, undersized, overcrowded building.
- The building has poor access and is not ADA accessible.
- There are also security issues relating to the outside storage that seems unusual for a Police station.
- There is lead paint, asbestos and other health threatening materials inside.
- The HVAC unit on the second floor is worn out...The coil enclosure has rusted through and is leaking water on the floor.
- The electrical system failures are commonplace and all too frequent due to the maxed out electrical system. Selective use of the outlets is often necessary to prevent overloading and tripping circuits.
- The plumbing system is nearing the end of its life and comprised of deteriorating galvanized steel pipe revealing numerous past failures and makeshift repairs...”

In April of 2010 a community survey was conducted by Intercept Research Corporation in Troutdale.

71% of respondents agreed on key reasons to support a police bond measure:

- The current building is over 50 years old, and outdated and far too small
- The current building does not meet current needs of police operations.

Please Vote Yes on Measure 26-116

Max Maydew

(This information furnished by Max Maydew)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

My name is Terry Smoke, and my wife Jodi and I have owned and operated Nostalgia Antiques and now the Troutdale General Store. We have been business owners in Troutdale for about 13 years. We moved our business here from downtown Gresham because Troutdale had such a great small town feel, with a big future as a tourist destination. We have seen the city grow to be a vibrant tight knit community. What seems to follow with growth however, is crime.

Troutdale's police department has always been very visible and available, but the current delivery of police services is at a critical point. We all see the need for a new facility; a building that could accommodate and secure the immediate needs of our community. As everyone else, we do not favor tax increases or bond measures, but without proactive measures, crime can overtake an area and change it quickly.

With the construction process competitive and bond rates at an all time low, it is definitely time to move on this project. Since the property is already paid for, I feel confident that a new Community Police Center is our only solution as the city continues to grow.

Finally, anyone who has toured the current station knows that it is not suitable for a police station. In fact, the current building, which now houses 34 members of our police force, is not suitable for any purpose at all.

Please join my wife and me in supporting Bond Measure 26-166.

Terry Smoke

(This information furnished by Terry Smoke)

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CITY OF TROUTDALE

Measure 26-116

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

As a parent within Troutdale for more than 15 years I am writing to urge you to vote to support the new Troutdale Community Police Center. Our families, community partners and law enforcement officers desperately need space where we can coordinate local crime prevention efforts.

Troutdale continues to be a unique and vital place for families to raise children. However, we are not blind to modern city problems. We read the news stories of child abduction, school violence, gang/drug activity and vandalism; each one of us knows someone who has been affected by crime.

As a parent you may have utilized the abundance of recreational opportunities for your family: Sandy River, swimming at Glenn Otto Park, music at Edgefield concert series, bicycling on the Columbia River Highway, and other activities. The land around your neighborhood provides an abundance of trail systems and open spaces. As a parent, you know where your children go to play whether it's Imagination Station, Sweetbriar bike trails, or the Sandy River Glen Otto beach. But the police know there are safety concerns at each of these locations.

Our community needs a location where families, students, law-enforcement, school personnel and community based groups can engage in citywide crime prevention efforts. Here are just a few of the services that could be available as part of a new police station:

1. Safety Education classes for kids
2. Safety planning workshops for schools, businesses and homes
3. Neighborhood watch meetings
4. First Aid/CPR
5. Emergency response coordination for natural disasters
6. Drug awareness and prevention education
7. Cadet training program

Help keep Troutdale families safe.

Vote Yes on Measure 26-116

Marianne Daoust

(This information furnished by Marianne Daoust)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

There are many reasons Troutdale voters should approve the bond measure for a new police facility. The best reason is it is financially responsible.

Did you know that the Police Department spends thousands of dollars to send our officers out to mandatory training?

This expense is offset with the acquisition of a new building because the Police Department will conduct training on site. Additional savings will be realized by hosting training and charging fees to other agencies.

Did you know the Police Department is unable to increase volunteer staff due to lack of space? In 2009 Reserve Police Officers worked 882 hours and saved the city approximately \$35,280. In 2010 Reserve Police Officers are on track to work approximately 1,089 hours which computes to a cost savings of approximately \$43,560. The current city budget will not support increasing staff; therefore, it makes sense to increase our volunteer pool.

Did you know the police department stores property and evidence in various places throughout the city due to lack of storage space? Time is wasted when the evidence technician travels throughout the city to transfer property to and from the police station. And the cost of off-site facilities is approximately \$6,000 per year.

Did you know the police station is deteriorating and has serious mechanical malfunctions requiring extensive, costly maintenance? It is not financially responsible to spend taxpayer money on a dilapidated building.

For approximately \$7.00 per month (on an assessed home value of \$200,000), we are investing in a 50 year public safety building that will be constructed on city-owned property. The services that will be delivered as a result are very much worth the investment. Bond interest rates are at an all time low and the construction industry is very competitive. The time is now.

VOTE YES ON MEASURE 26-116

Former Mayor, Paul Thalhofer

*(This information furnished by Former Mayor,
Paul Thalhofer)*

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TRIMET

Measure 26-119

BALLOT TITLE

AUTHORIZE BONDS TO IMPROVE TRANSIT, PARTICULARLY FOR ELDERLY AND DISABLED

QUESTION: Shall TriMet issue \$125 million bonds to improve transit services and access for elderly riders and people with disabilities?

If bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of Sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY: In 1990, voters approved a \$125 million TriMet bond measure. Those bonds will be retired in 2012. If approved, the estimated levy rate for the new bonds is not expected to exceed the levy rate for the old bonds and remain at approximately 8 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. The bonds may be issued in multiple series; each series will mature in 21 years or less.

Proceeds from the bonds will be used to fund improvements to transit services, including projects that make transit more accessible for elderly and people with disabilities, such as:

- Improving safety and security at bus stops and shelters used by elderly and disabled riders.
- Replacing 20+ year old and high stair buses, which are more difficult for some riders to get on and off, with low floor buses.
- Updating technology for LIFT vans that would make service more efficient and reduce waiting times for elderly and people with disabilities.

TriMet will provide an independent financial audit and a citizens' oversight committee will monitor expenditures.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

TriMet provides public transportation to most of Washington, Clackamas and Multnomah Counties and carries more people than any other US transit system its size. Weekly ridership on buses and MAX has increased for 21 consecutive years. Last year residents and visitors boarded a bus, MAX or WES train 101.5 million times.

The measure on the ballot this year would replace an existing bond that was approved in 1990 and is intended to enable TriMet to improve services for the rapidly growing aging and disabled population without an increase in property taxes.

All riders would benefit from the improvements to transit services and access.

Many people who use TriMet have no other means of getting to and from work, school, shopping or medical services. As the population in the metro area ages, the need for services for older people increases.

Specifically the measure would:

Make transit more accessible for elderly and disabled individuals, thereby improving services to all riders by:

- **Improving safety and security at bus stops and shelters.** TriMet has 7,100 transit stops. Bond proceeds would be used to improve safety and access for elderly and disabled individuals at about 300 stops.
- These capital improvements include building curb cuts, sidewalks, safer pedestrian crossing, shelters, lighting, improved signage, ramps, and handrails so that more individuals can navigate the fixed-route system safely and securely.
- **Replacing 20 year old buses and buses that have high stairs** which are difficult for elderly and disabled to get on and off. Today TriMet has over 250 high floor buses with 150 buses over 19 years old. Replacing old "high-floor" buses with buses that have low floors that are easier to get on is a critical step toward accessibility.
- The new buses would have automated stop announcements for the visually and hearing impaired. Many of the old buses do not have air conditioning, another important component for many older riders with heart conditions and other health problems.
- The measure would enable TriMet to replace old LIFT vehicles for riders who are unable to use the regular transit routes.
- **Update the LIFT van radio communication and dispatch technology to make LIFT service more efficient, reliable and easier for seniors and people with disabilities.**

This measure replaces the existing bond and it is not expected to increase property taxes beyond what homeowners currently pay, about 8 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value or approximately \$20 a year for a \$250,000 property.

Submitted by
Neil McFarlane
General Manager
TriMet

No arguments AGAINST this measure were filed.

Measure 26-119

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

The League of Women Voters Urges a YES Vote on Measure 26-119

Measure 26-119 contributes to pedestrian-friendly neighborhoods.

TriMet has identified 600 high-use bus stops that present barriers to the elderly and disabled. Bond proceeds will be used with local matching funds to improve up to 300 of those bus stops by adding sidewalks, curb cuts, shelters, safer pedestrian crossings, lighting, and other improvements.

Measure 26-119 improves elderly and disabled access.

Proceeds from the bond measure will replace at least 150 high-floor buses with new low-floor buses. TriMet's high-floor buses have been in use for nearly 20 years, far exceeding the average bus's life span of about 15 years. New low-floor buses will be equipped with ramps, air conditioning, security cameras, and automatic stop announcements. The new buses will be more accessible to seniors and the disabled and will make the ride more comfortable and convenient for all.

Measure 26-119 enhances specialized door-to-door bus service for the elderly and disabled.

New low-floor buses and improved bus stops will increase access to regularly scheduled bus service for seniors and disabled residents. For those who cannot utilize that service, bond proceeds will be used to replace up to 100 LIFT buses that provide door-to-door service. New LIFT buses also will include improved communications systems, making the service more efficient and reliable.

Measure 26-119 is a prudent investment.

The average cost of a bus or MAX trip is about \$2.75. A LIFT ride costs about \$29. By investing in accessible low-floor buses and improved bus stops, a greater number of elderly and disabled residents will be able to ride regularly scheduled buses.

The League of Women Voters Urges a Yes Vote on Measure 26-119

League of Women Voters of Portland
League of Women Voters of East Multnomah County

(This information furnished by Debbie Aiona, League of Women Voters of Portland, League of Women Voters of East Multnomah County)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Dear Neighbors:

I am supporting Measure 26-119 for transit because TriMet has enhanced my life.

Several years ago I decided to quit driving. I am an 86 year-old resident of a retirement home and felt in the interest of safety it was a wise thing to do. Without TriMet I would have become a recluse with no way to interact socially with the community. We are all aware of the benefits to physical and mental health the association with other people is for senior citizens. With this service I can attend cultural programs, make use of the libraries, visit my friends, see my relatives more frequently, go shopping and even go to my medical and dental appointments.

I mainly use the LIFT services. I must use a walker and would use the regular TriMet buses more if they all were the newer buses with low floors. Those very old buses have stairs and you can't use them with a walker.

The LIFT buses are long overdue for replacement. I have many friends who would love to be able to use the LIFT service but can't because the buses seem to have no shocks and you are practically thrown out of your seat on these rough roads. People with bad backs and other physical problems can't handle this.

Please join me in voting YES on Measure 26-119.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Browne

(This information furnished by Dorothy L. Browne)

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TRIMET

Measure 26-119

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Someone You Know Needs the Bus

As a former president of the TriMet Board, I know firsthand how hard TriMet has worked over the years to provide efficient, safe and reliable transit services throughout our district. The Board knows that public transportation, MAX and buses are the ONLY way many people in the community are able to get to work, school, medical appointments, shopping and so on. Particularly in tough economic times, people also turn to public transportation to save on gas and parking costs.

- **I believe the measure on the ballot in November deserves support from the community because it will enable TriMet to greatly improve safety and accessibility to public transportation for our most vulnerable citizens, the elderly and people with disabilities.**
- **The improvements to bus stops and shelters will help those who are frail, elderly or disabled to move around more safely by installing curb cuts, handrails, non-skid pavement and benches.**
- **The measure will also replace old buses that have high stairs with new buses much easier for people who have trouble climbing to get on and off.**
- **And, the measure will make the LIFT door-to-door service much more efficient and faster for those who are not able to ride regular TriMet routes.**

I know the TriMet Board and staff are doing all they can to improve services even in light of budget restrictions, and I think this measure will make very meaningful and cost-effective changes that will **benefit all riders.**

Please join me in voting YES for Transit. Because you, or someone you know needs the bus.

George Passadore, former President, TriMet Board of Directors

(This information furnished by George Passadore)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Elders in Action Urge Yes on 26-117 for Transit

The Elders in Action Commission is a volunteer-led group of advocates who seek to shape aging policy on all levels, and ensure that the quality of life never depends on age.

Transportation has always been one of our main focus areas of advocacy, because it is one of the single most important needs for seniors wanting to remain in their own homes. As we age, many of us lose our ability to drive for one reason or another, and having an accessible and far-reaching transit system is an invaluable resource to our rapidly aging population.

By voting YES for Transit you help to ensure that our regional TriMet transit system is accessible and safe for seniors and people with disabilities.

Many seniors and people with disabilities rely on the TriMet LIFT system as their sole mode of transportation, the LIFT costs TriMet \$29 per ride as opposed to \$2.75 for the fixed-route system, and while LIFT is a vital service for many in our community it is far from cost-effective and convenient. Some LIFT riders would be perfectly capable and happy to ride their local bus but due to the lacking infrastructure they can't even get to the bus stop safely.

Voting YES for Transit will allow for sidewalks, benches, lighting, and other safety improvements to over 300 transit stations, coupled with new low-floor buses, to make it possible for more seniors and people with disabilities to ride transit and regain their independence.

The Elders in Action Commission has been advocating for these type of improvements for years, knowing that the older adult population in our communities are growing at an overwhelming rate and we must act now to prepare for this "age tsunami" and to provide for accessible transit to ensure people can remain independent, at home, and safe.

Please join the Elders in Action Commission in voting YES for Transit.

(This information furnished by Tara Krugel, Elders in Action Commission)

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Measure 26-119

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Support Transit Measure to Improve Access

The Committee for Accessible Transportation works to improve access to public transportation for people who are elderly and/or have disabilities. We have committee members from the three counties TriMet serves, and most of us have disabilities that make getting around difficult.

We support the TriMet bond measure for a variety of reasons, but one of the most important reasons is because this measure will greatly improve access to TriMet services for people who are elderly and/or have disabilities.

The measure will replace the old high-step buses with models that have low floors, making it much easier for people to board without assistance. Many of us rely on the bus to get to medical appointments, church, work or school. Accessible buses give people freedom.

The measure will improve bus stops and shelters. These improvements will include installing curb cuts, handrails, non-skid pavement, and benches which are all features that help people who are frail, elderly and/or have disabilities to access transit safely.

And, the measure will provide new buses for the LIFT door-to-door service and make it more efficient for those of us who are not able to ride regular TriMet services.

We believe this measure will make very meaningful and cost-effective changes that will benefit us and also make transit better for everyone.

Please join us in voting YES for Transit.

Jan Campbell, Chair
 Claudia Robertson, Vice Chair
 John Betts member
 Patricia Keplar, member
 Arnold Panitch, member

(This information furnished by Janet Campbell, Claudia H. Robertson, John M. Betts, Patricia Keplar and Arnold Panitch, Committee for Accessible Transportation)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Board Supports Transit Bond 26-119

The TriMet Board strives hard to provide efficient, safe and reliable transit services throughout our district. We understand that public transportation, MAX and buses are the ONLY way many people in the community are able to get to work, school, medical appointments, shopping and so on. Particularly in tough economic times, people also turn to public transportation to save on gas and parking costs.

The TriMet board is constantly seeking ways to improve services for all our riders and still keep fares as low as possible. **We believe this bond measure is the best option right now that will enable us to greatly improve safety and accessibility to public transportation, particularly for our most vulnerable citizens, the elderly and people with disabilities.**

- The measure will provide funds to make **critical changes to 300 bus stops** that are most used by seniors and people with disabilities. We will install sidewalks, handrails, curb cuts, improve lighting and install benches and shelters to protect frail citizens from the rain and wind.
- TriMet will replace 150 **old buses** that have high stairs which are very difficult for seniors or others using wheelchairs or walkers to get on and off. The new buses will have low floors, air conditioning and be equipped with automated stop announcements. And these new buses will better serve all who use the system.
- The funds will also provide new vehicles for **the on-demand ride** service TriMet provides to those unable to use our regular buses or MAX.
- Finally, because this measure continues a levy that is currently in place, the **costs to property owners will not increase.**

Please vote YES for Transit. Because you, or someone you know needs the bus.

Rick Van Beveren, President, TriMet Board of Directors

(This information furnished by Rick Van Beveren, TriMet Board of Directors, President Reedville Cafe/Reedville Catering)

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TRIMET

Measure 26-119

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Yes for Transit

We are voting yes on the TriMet measure this November because we know how valuable public transportation is to people as they age. As retirees, we're understanding more and more how important it is to us to get around town, to see friends and to go to doctor's offices and shopping without having to drive.

We use TriMet because we know we can take buses or MAX to get where we need to go. And while we both can still drive now, we know there may come a time when TriMet will be the only way we can travel, as it is for many of our friends and neighbors.

The measure on the ballot will provide benefits to all TriMet riders, not just seniors and people with disabilities. **Improving safety and security at bus stops** is extremely important.

We've seen people struggling to get wheelchairs up steep inclines or over curbs. Getting rid of these unsafe conditions by adding handrails, curb cuts and making the pavement non-skid will help people maneuver much more easily.

Replacing ancient buses with new models that have wheelchair-accessible low floors will also make it easier for people to get on and off, and air conditioning will help people with breathing problems ride more safely.

After Dick's long career at TriMet and as a Board member and former chair of Elders in Action and Anne as a former director of Loaves and Fishes, we both value the opportunity we have had to help others. And, in a way, that's what voting for this bond measure means. Thousands of people depend on public transportation.

Please join us in saying yes for TriMet, it's worth every penny.

Dick and Anne Kelly Feeney

*(This information furnished by Dick Feeney and
Anne K. Feeney)*

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Willamette Pedestrian Coalition
urges 'YES' on Measure 26-119

- Truly livable communities are for all of us, not just those who have a car and a driver's license. Livable communities need to have accessible public transit, **especially for senior citizens, people with disabilities, and others who cannot drive.**

- **Measure 26-119 will improve accessibility to public transit** in our communities in several important ways. Low-floor buses and curb cuts will make it easier for seniors and people with disabilities to access transit. Such access can make all the difference in being able to conduct simple errands, go to medical appointments, or visit family and friends, get to medical appointments, or attend church.

- Our region has invested wisely in public transportation. **Measure 26-119 makes good sense** because it will make it easier for all of us -- senior citizens, people with disabilities, school children and others -- to access the valuable system we have in place.

On behalf of all of us getting around on foot and on transit, the Willamette Pedestrian Coalition supports Measure 26-119 and urges your 'yes' vote.

Submitted by: Philip Selinger, Board of Directors, President
Willamette Pedestrian Coalition

*(This information furnished by Philip R. Selinger, President,
Board of Directors, Willamette Pedestrian Coalition)*

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Measure 26-119

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Citizens' Advisory Committee Supports Transit Bond

We are a group of citizen volunteers who provide input and perspectives to the TriMet Board about budget issues and policies. We have a range of backgrounds including expertise in business, economics, financial matters and transportation. Some of us also ride the TriMet system regularly.

We are supporting this bond measure as a way to improve transit accessibility for some of our most vulnerable citizens – the elderly and people with disabilities. We know the population of the metro area is aging rapidly which will increase the need for a variety of public services, including transportation. For many people, public transportation is the only way they can live independently.

This measure will make much-needed improvements in safety at bus stops around the region. It will provide for more bus shelters, better lighting at stops, and remove physical barriers by adding more sidewalks, ramps, benches and handrails.

It will also fund replacement of older buses with high stairs. The new buses will have low floors for easy boarding and be equipped with automated stop announcements and air conditioning. TriMet's older buses are costly to repair and need more frequent service than newer models.

We are always concerned about the use of our tax dollars. In this case, we think the bond measure is a good way for TriMet to make essential investments in buses and bus stops without having to offset other transit services. The measure would cost property owners the same amount they currently pay for TriMet, which is a little over 8 cents per \$1,000 of assessed property value, or about \$20 a year for a home with an assessed value of \$250,000. This seems a reasonable price for critically needed improvements to the system.

We hope others agree that this bond measure is good for all of us, especially for those who need the bus the most.

Cynthia Chilton, TriMet Citizens Advisory Committee on the Budget

(This information furnished by Cynthia E. Chilton, Luann M Pelton and Paul Schlesinger)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Measure 26-119 Will Help People with Disabilities

Both of us serve or have served as TriMet Board's volunteer representatives to the Citizens for Accessible Transportation Committee.

We support the TriMet bond measure for a variety of reasons, but one of the most important reasons is because this measure will greatly improve access to TriMet services for people with disabilities.

It is very tough for people with wheelchairs, walkers or other mobility devices to get on and off the old TriMet buses with high stairs. Many of these folks have no other way to get to doctors appointments, church, work or school. They have to take the bus, call a cab or rely on friends and neighbors for rides. Having accessible buses gives people freedom and independence that we all cherish.

The measure will improve bus stops and shelters to help those who are frail, elderly or disabled to move around more safely by installing curb cuts, handrails, non-skid pavement and benches.

And, the measure will make the LIFT door-to-door service much more efficient and faster for those who are not able to ride regular TriMet routes.

We know the TriMet Board and staff are doing all they can to improve services even in light of budget restrictions, and we think this measure will make very meaningful and cost-effective changes that will benefit all riders.

Please join us in voting YES for Transit. Because you, or someone you know needs the bus.

Bob Williams, retired, VFCW local 555, former TriMet Board member, Clackamas

Consuelo Saragoza, current TriMet Board member, Portland

(This information furnished by Bob Williams and Consuelo Saragoza)

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BEAVERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Measure 34-184

BALLOT TITLE

ELIMINATION OF LOCAL SCHOOL COMMITTEES

QUESTION: Shall the Beaverton School District eliminate Local School Committees and the cost of electing them.

SUMMARY: The Beaverton School District was recently notified by the Washington County Elections Office that the cost of elections will increase from a flat rate to a per contest rate. This will increase the cost of electing Local School Committees in the Beaverton School District service area from \$36,000 to an estimated \$125,000.

If this measure is approved by voters, elected Local School Committees would be eliminated and the District would not incur these increased election costs.

The District would replace its elected Local School Committees with advisory committees of parent and community representatives chosen at the local school level.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

If approved by voters, this measure would eliminate elected Local School Committees and save the Beaverton School District an estimated \$125,000 per election. The District would replace its elected Local School Committees with advisory committees of parent and community representatives chosen at the local school level.

Elected Local School Committees were part of the organizational structure approved by voters in the 1960s during the early years of school district mergers. The role of these three-member committees was to serve as the liaison between the school and the community, consider requests for facility use, and to provide advice and feedback to the school principal and School Board.

The Beaverton School District is one of the last districts in Oregon to formally elect Local School Committees.

In 1995, Oregon law changed to require schools to form Site Councils that include staff and parent representatives. In many cases, parents selected for the Site Council are the same parents elected to Local School Committees. At many schools it has been difficult to find people interested in running for election to Local School Committees.

As part of the District's Five Year Strategic Plan, a Volunteerism and Engagement Taskforce this fall will research best practices, conduct a policy review and make recommendations to enhance community engagement. This taskforce will develop recommendations for working with advisory committees, Site Councils and other shared decision making groups in the Beaverton School District.

Submitted by
Jerome Colonna
Superintendent
Beaverton School District No. 48

No arguments FOR or AGAINST this measure were filed.

CORBETT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Measure 26-121

BALLOT TITLE

FIVE-YEAR OPERATING LEVY FOR CLASS-SIZE MAINTENANCE/PROGRAM RETENTION

QUESTION: Shall the District impose \$600,000.00 per year for five years, beginning in 2011-2012, to maintain class-sizes and programs? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

SUMMARY: The total amount to be raised by this levy is \$3,000,000.00, which will be imposed over five years at \$600,000.00 each year. Although the levy imposes \$600,000.00 per year the Corbett School District No. 39 anticipates it will collect only \$500,000.00 per year based upon compression rates and other factors. The taxes will be used exclusively by the Corbett School District to maintain class size in Corbett School and to retain programs in Corbett School such as music, band, intervention, and other during and after school programs. These dollars will be used to avoid cutting staff and programs across all grade levels. These funds support approximately six teacher FTE out of 29 teacher FTE. It is estimated that the proposed tax levy will result in a tax rate of \$1.8301 per \$1,000 of assessed value in 2011-2012 and be slightly less in each of the remaining four years. The estimated tax costs for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based upon the best information available for the county assessor at the time of the estimate.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Caption: Five Year Operating Levy for Class-Size Maintenance/ Program Retention

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Submitted by
Randy Trani
Corbett School District

No arguments FOR or AGAINST this measure were filed.

RIVERDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Measure 26-120

BALLOT TITLE

FIVE-YEAR LOCAL OPTION TAX FOR GENERAL OPERATIONS

QUESTION: Shall the District levy \$1.07 per \$1,000 assessed value for each year of five years beginning 2011-2012 for operations? This measure renews current local option tax rate.

SUMMARY: This measure authorizes Riverdale School District No. 51J, Multnomah and Clackamas Counties, Oregon, to levy a property tax in the amount of \$1.07 per \$1000 of assessed value each year for five years. The taxes would be used to help finance District operations. Without additional revenue, the district would have to reduce staff and services.

An estimate of the total amount to be raised each fiscal year is: \$544,000 in 2011-2012; \$555,000 in 2012-2013; \$566,000 in 2013-2014; \$577,000 in 2014-2015; and \$589,000 in 2015-2016.

The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of estimate.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

What is the Local Option measure?

- This measure renews the existing levy approved by voters in both 2000 and 2005 and does not raise tax rates.
- The 5-year property tax levy will provide continued education funding. ALL funds raised by the levy will flow directly to Riverdale schools to serve our community's children.

Why does the Riverdale School District need Local Option revenues?

- State funding levels are declining and are not sufficient to maintain Riverdale's academic program, which ranks among the best in the state.
- The Local Option partially offsets Riverdale's loss of state funding.
- Riverdale received just \$5,786 per student in state funding in 2009-2010, compared to \$6,110 in 2007-08.
- The state announced a \$577 million dollar shortfall in May 2010 resulting in a \$200,000 cut in funds for Riverdale School District. On August 26th an additional \$337.5 million shortfall was announced. Additional shortfalls are predicted to occur throughout this biennium. These shortfalls will result in further cuts to the Riverdale School District budget.
- Operating costs have continued to rise with the cost of living.

What will the renewal of this measure do?

- It renews the existing Local Option levy that was approved by Riverdale School District voters in 2000 and again in 2005.
- It retains the existing levy rate, which generates \$530,000 per year, or roughly 9% of our District's annual operating funds.

How will Local Option dollars be used?

- Local Option resources become part of Riverdale's operating school budget and are used to:
 - Retain classroom teachers
 - Maintain low student-to-staff ratio. (Maintain class size)
 - Support current programs
 - Purchase instructional supplies
 - Resources are NOT used to support construction or capital projects.

What would happen if the levy fails?

- Loss of roughly 9% of the District's annual operating funds.
- Deep programmatic cuts will be necessary in District educational programs. (\$530,000 loss equates to seven teachers.)

How will continuation of the levy affect my taxes?

- Passage of the levy will not change your current tax rate; this is continuation of an existing tax rate.
- The exact amount varies from property to property, based on Ballot Measure 5 limitations. For a home assessed at \$750,000 and taxed at the maximum Local Option tax rate of \$1.07 per \$1,000 of assessed value, the total annual cost would be approximately \$803.

Submitted by

Dr. Brook MacNamara
Superintendent
School Board, Riverdale School District 51J

No arguments AGAINST this measure were filed.

RIVERDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Measure 26-120

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Exceptional school systems don't just happen. It takes great teachers, a challenging curriculum, committed families, and unwavering community support. Riverdale School District has all of these. The District is renowned for providing an exceptional program of academic studies at both the elementary and high school level, maintaining its reputation of excellence, even as state support continues to decline.

Riverdale's success continues to attract families to Dunthorpe, making it one of the most desirable neighborhoods in Oregon. The District's outstanding academic reputation contributes to a substantial elevation in the resale value of neighborhood homes.

This is not a new tax. This is not a tax increase. To maintain high quality educational programs, Riverdale simply seeks to **renew** the Local Option approved by Riverdale School District voters in 2000 and again in 2005. The levy rate of \$1.07 per \$1000 of Assessed Value remains **unchanged**.

Your support for the Local Option levy will help to generate approximately \$530,000, per year for the next five years—with 100 percent of the funds going to Riverdale to maintain the level of educational services our neighborhood expects. This form of reliable funding is critical – 9% of the district's annual operating budget -- in the face of dwindling state support.

Exceptional schools are essential not only for the kids who attend them, but also for the community they serve. Exceptional schools lead to a vibrant community and attractive property values.

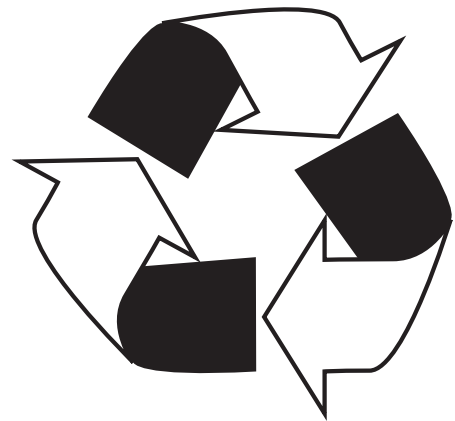
We believe that a strong Riverdale School District benefits us all.

Please support your community: Keep Riverdale Schools Exceptional.

Please vote YES for the Riverdale School District 51J Local Option.

Bill/Tina Brown	Steven/Elisa Klein
Bill/Holly Coit	Gerry/Kim Langelier
Ben/Sara Conte	Steve/Jenni Leasia
Jim/Debbie Coonan	Pat/Carol Lewallen
Andy/Laura Ford	Chris/Sarah Remy
Sylvia Breed Gates	Matt Semler/Ashley Campion
Dean/Kirsten Griffith	Pat Terrell
Brent/Chrys Hutchings	Marybeth Van Buren
Roy Hemmingway	Lincoln/Pam Ware
Doug Key	Bob/Kathy Wiggins

(This information furnished by Leslie Goss, Committee For Riverdale Schools)



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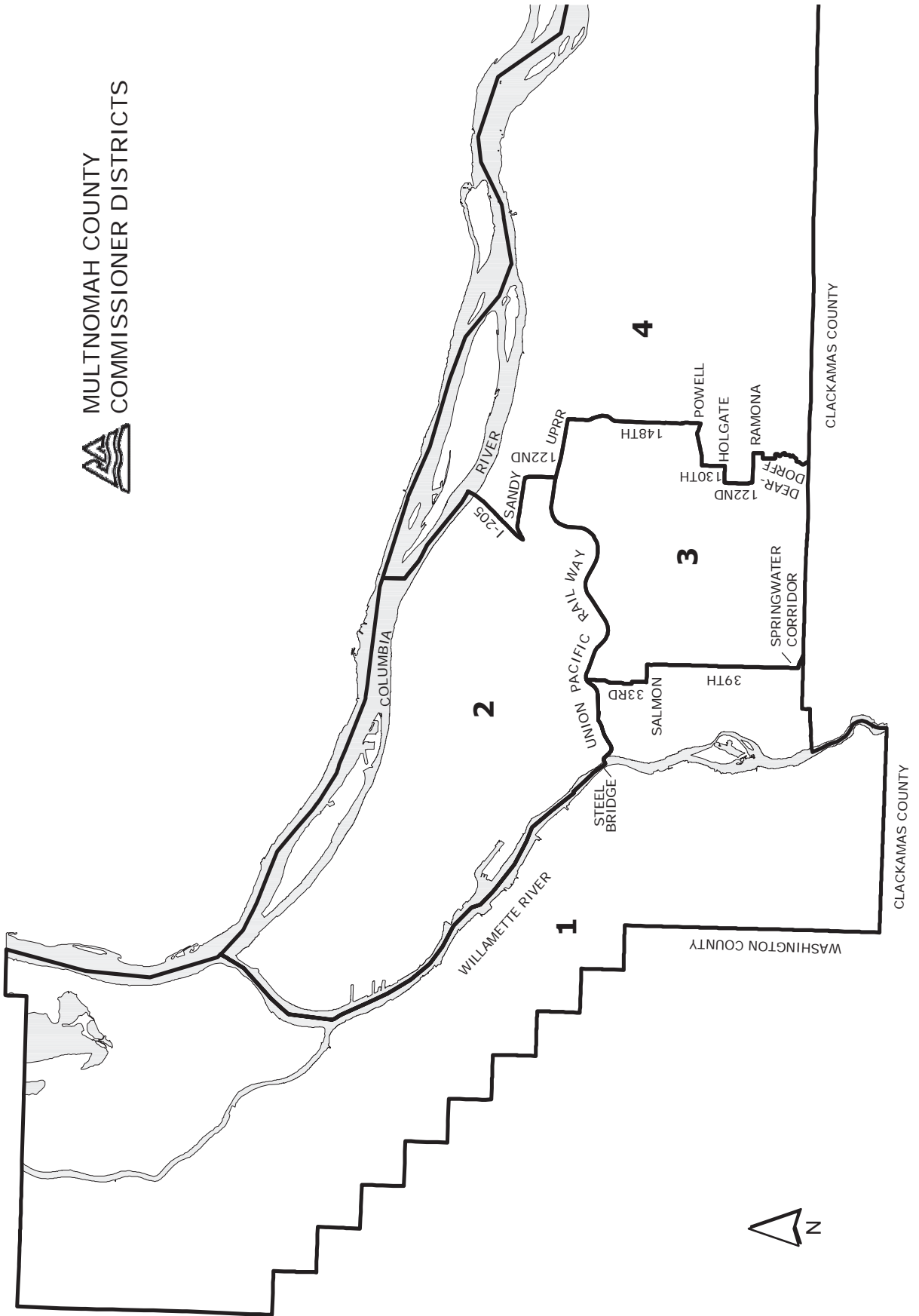
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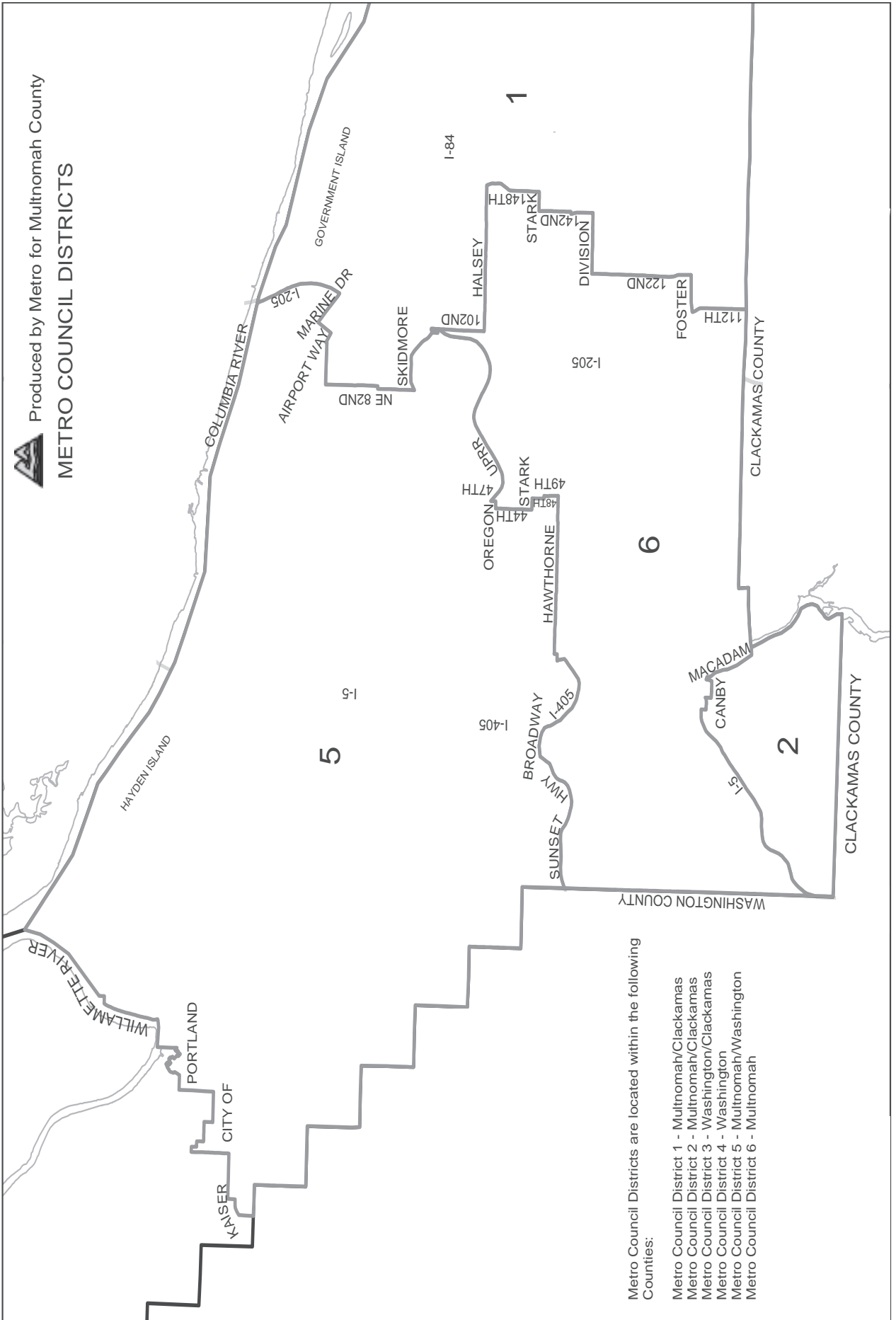
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- Metro Council District 2 - Multnomah/Clackamas
- Metro Council District 3 - Washington/Clackamas
- Metro Council District 4 - Washington
- Metro Council District 5 - Multnomah/Washington
- Metro Council District 6 - Multnomah

MULTNOMAH COUNTY OFFICIAL BALLOT DROP SITES

MULTNOMAH COUNTY ELECTIONS OFFICE

1040 SE Morrison, Portland, Oregon

Phone: 503-988-3720 / Fax: 503-988-3719 / 1-800-735-2900 (Oregon Relay Service)

E-Mail: elections@co.multnomah.or.us

Office hours: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM Monday through Friday

Special Election hours on Saturday, October 30, 2010, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

and on Monday, November 1, 2010, 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Tuesday, November 2, 2010 (Election Day) - 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Official Drop Sites listed below available in Multnomah County beginning on Friday, October 15, 2010.

24 HOUR OFFICIAL BALLOT DROP BOXES

A-BOY SUPPLY

7365 SW Barbur Boulevard

GOODWILL STORE

3134 North Lombard Street

MCDONALD'S RESTAURANT

West side of NE 40th Avenue

between NE Tillamook and NE Hancock

(Near the Hollywood Branch Library.)

GRESHAM BRANCH LIBRARY

385 NW Miller Avenue, Gresham

MIDLAND BRANCH LIBRARY

805 SE 122nd Avenue

PIONEER COURTHOUSE SQUARE

700 block of SW Broadway

(next to Starbucks and across from Nordstrom)

MULTNOMAH COUNTY ELECTIONS

1040 SE Morrison Street, Portland

Two Drop Box locations. Box located on the East Side of **SE 11th** between SE Morrison and SE Belmont. Another box located on the North Side of **SE Belmont** between SE 10th and SE 11th.

LIBRARY OFFICIAL BALLOT DROP SITES

During library hours, voted ballots may be delivered to any Multnomah County library through 8:00 PM on Election Day, Tuesday, November 2, 2010. **Library ballot sites open only during library hours.** For 24-hour drop box access, please use 24-hour drop sites listed above. Ballots may be deposited in the drive-up book drop at Central Library located on the east side of SW 11th between Yamhill and Taylor. Please do not use other library book drops.

Central Library - 801 SW 10th Ave.

Sundays: Noon - 5:00 PM	Tuesdays & Wednesdays: 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Mondays: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Thursdays - Saturdays: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Branch Libraries

Gresham - 385 NW Miller Ave., Gresham

Hollywood - 4040 NE Tillamook St.

Sundays: Noon - 5:00 PM

Mondays & Tuesdays: 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Wednesdays - Saturdays: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Midland - 805 SE 122nd Ave.

Hillsdale - 1525 SW Sunset Blvd.

Albina - 3605 NE 15th Ave

Belmont - 1038 SE 39th Ave

Capitol Hill - 10723 SW Capitol Highway

Fairview-Columbia - 1520 NE Village St Fairview

Gregory Heights - 7921 NE Sandy Blvd

Holgate - 7905 SE Holgate Blvd

Kenton - 8226 N. Denver Ave

North Portland - 512 N Killingsworth St

Northwest - 2300 NW Thurman St

Rockwood - 17917 SE Stark St

St. Johns - 7510 N Charleston Ave.

Sellwood-Moreland - 7860 SE 13th Ave

Troutdale - 2451 SW Cherry Park Rd Troutdale

Woodstock - 6008 SE 49th Ave

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