

# Notice of District Measure Election

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(Rev. 01/06) ORS 450.035,  
250.041, 255.146, 258.348

Name of District Clackamas County Fire District No. 1

Notice is hereby given on date of election November 8, 2007. A measure election will be held in

name of county or counties Clackamas and Multnomah Counties County, Oregon.

The following shall be the ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the district's voters on this date: September 5, 2007

**CAPTION** 10 words

Measure Approving Annexation of City of Oregon City to District

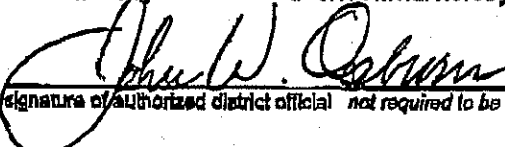
Question: Shall Clackamas County Fire District No. 1 annex all of the territory of the City of Oregon City?

Summary of Measure: If annexation is approved by both District and Oregon City electors, all property within the City would become part of Clackamas County Fire District No. 1. The District currently provides fire and emergency medical services to the City under a contract with the City. The City Commission of Oregon City has requested that the District annex the property within the City for the purpose of providing fire and emergency services to the City. City territory would be subject to District property taxes at District tax rates to pay for fire and emergency medical services. City property would be subject to tax to pay any District bonds and other liabilities on the same basis as other property in the District. City electors would be eligible to vote in District elections. The District Board has approved the annexation, subject to approval of the electors of the City of Oregon City and the District. Annexation would be effective on order of the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners, as of July 1, 2008.

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



September 5, 2007  
date signed

signature of authorized district official not required to be notarized

John W. Osburn

Attorney for the District

printed name of authorized district official

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## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This measure would expand the boundaries of Clackamas County Fire District No. 1 to include all of the territory within the City of Oregon City, Oregon. The annexation would also require the approval by the electors of the City of Oregon City of a similar measure. The City Commission of Oregon City initiated the proposed annexation, and the proposal has also been approved by the Board of Directors of the District. If the measure is approved by the electors of both the District and the City, the Board of County Commissioners would formally approve the annexation effective July 1, 2008.

For many years, the City of Oregon City maintained its own fire department. On October 2, 2002, the City and the District entered into an agreement under which the District agreed to provide fire protection and emergency medical services throughout the City. The City pays the District a fee for those services in an amount agreed upon each year. The City fire protection and emergency medical personnel have been transferred to the District. The City has made its fire protection and emergency medical facilities and equipment available for District use, and the District has been replacing that equipment under agreements with the City as replacement is necessary.

At present, the City pays an agreed amount for fire protection and emergency medical services. Although the agreement is for a period of ten years, either the City or the District may terminate the agreement on June 30 of any year. City residents have no direct obligation to pay taxes to the District, or to pay for bonds for purchase and construction of District facilities and equipment. City residents may not vote for District directors or on District measures. Approval of the measure by the voters would mean that the territory in the City of Oregon City would be permanently annexed to the District.

District annexation of the Oregon City territory would mean that all of the territory within the City would be subject to ad valorem property tax at the same rate as that paid by taxpayers within the District. Property within the City would be subject to taxation for payment of any bonds of the District on the same basis as other property in the District. District property owners would have no liability for any City bonds, except the City would continue to levy taxes on property within the City, including taxes for any bonded indebtedness. The annexation would make electors within Oregon City electors of the District.