

Official Ballot
Multnomah County, OR
May 16, 2017

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THIS IS NOT A REAL BALLOT. DO NOT USE TO VOTE.

Instructions To Voter

Please Use A Blue or Black Pen.
Completely fill in the oval to the left of your choice to be sure your vote will be counted.

To add a candidate who is not on the ballot, fill in the oval to the left of the Write-In line and write the candidate's name on the line.

Community College

**Portland Comm College Dir,
Zone 4
Vote for One**

Jim Harper

OR Write-In on line above

School District

**Beaverton School Director -
Zone 1
Vote for One**

Susan Greenberg

OR Write-In on line above

**Beaverton School Director -
Zone 2
Vote for One**

Anne Bryan

OR Write-In on line above

Attention!

Remember to inspect your ballot for mistakes! If you make a mistake or damage your ballot, call Multnomah County Elections Office at (503) 988-3720.

School District

**Beaverton School Director -
Zone 4
Vote for One**

Donna Tyner

OR Write-In on line above

**Beaverton School Director -
Zone 5
Vote for One**

LeeAnn Larsen

OR Write-In on line above

**Beaverton School Director -
Zone 7
Vote for One**

Sheri Wantland

Matt (A-W) Anthes-Washburn

Tom Colett

Jen Fife-Adams

OR Write-In on line above

Check for Errors

If you vote for more options than allowed, your vote will not count for that candidate or measure.

City of Portland Measures

Referred to the People by the City Council

26-189 Amends Charter: Increases Auditor's independence from audited agencies, adds duty.

Question: Shall Charter be amended to increase City Auditor's independence from audited agencies and include Auditor's authority to investigate City agencies?

Summary: The measure changes Charter provisions regarding the elected City Auditor, which were last updated in 1994. The Auditor's responsibilities have expanded since then to include more oversight functions, such as the ombudsman and lobbyist registration. Currently, the Auditor relies on and sometimes must seek permission from City agencies subject to the Auditor's oversight for legal, personnel, procurement, and budget services.

The measure increases the Auditor's independence by: allowing the Auditor to seek advice from independent legal counsel, giving the Auditor more autonomy over staffing decisions, designating the Auditor as a contracting agency, and authorizing the Auditor to submit budget requests directly to the City Council without review by an audited City agency. The measure requires periodic external reviews of the Auditor's Office.

The measure also establishes in Charter the Auditor's ombudsman function, which conducts impartial investigations into the public's complaints against City agencies. Currently, the ombudsman operates under authority granted in code. It has been in the Auditor's Office since 2001 and is a core component of the Auditor's oversight responsibilities.

Other provisions.

Yes

No

Warning

Any person who, by use of force or other means, unduly influences an elector to vote in any particular manner or to refrain from voting is subject to a fine.
(ORS 254.470)

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26-194 Amends Charter: Authorizes Council To Change Scope Of Transient Lodgings Tax Obligations

Question: Shall City Council be authorized to impose Transient Lodgings Tax obligations on online businesses and others without further voter approval?

Summary: In City Charter Section 7-113, adopted in 1971, city voters authorized City Council to impose a Transient Lodgings Tax on amounts paid "for lodging" in hotels or other short-term rental spaces. The "owner or operator" of rental space is required to collect and remit this tax to the City. Recently, a federal court ruled that Charter Section 7-113 does not authorize the City to collect the Transient Lodgings Tax from a business that operates websites that connect tourists and other renters with homeowners and others seeking to make property available for short-term rentals. By authorizing new definitions and interpretations of Section 7-113, this measure authorizes Council to change the scope of Transient Lodgings Tax obligations and, among other things, (1) impose the tax obligations on businesses that facilitate short-term rentals but may not fit the 1971 definition of "owner or operator"; and (2) tax payments that may not fit the 1971 definition of payments "for lodging." Council could make such changes by ordinance without any additional voter approval. This measure does not change tax rates.

Yes

No

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