

Notice of Measure Election

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City

Notice

Date of Notice

3/2/2026

Name of City or Cities

Tigard

Date of Election

May 19, 2026

Final Ballot Title The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the city's voters. The ballot title notice was published, and the ballot title challenge process is complete.

Caption 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure.

Bonds to replace public safety, public works, emergency operations facilities.

Question 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure.

Shall Tigard replace public safety, public works, emergency facilities; address safety, security by issuing \$150 million bond, with audits required? 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 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect.

Tigard's ability to serve the community is impaired by the current police and public works facilities, which are past useful life and were recommended for replacement in 2006. Tigard's population has tripled since they were built, increasing by 40,000 people, and current facilities no longer reflect best practices for public safety.

The proposed bonds would finance capital costs related to providing one new centralized facility and related projects, including:

- An Emergency Operations Center, to support timely, effective response during disasters like an ice storm, flood, or earthquake.
- Secure storage of criminal evidence onsite and a trauma-informed environment for crime victims.
- Training space to keep police officers onsite for required training, ready to respond in case of emergency.

General obligation bonds would be issued in principal amount not to exceed \$150 million, potentially in multiple series, each maturing within 30 years. The estimated annual tax rate is \$0.765/\$1,000 of assessed value. Actual levy rate may differ due to changing interest rates and assessed value.

Required independent annual audits will provide project accountability.

Explanatory Statement 500 words that impartially explains the measure and its effect.

If the county is producing a voters' pamphlet an explanatory statement must be written and attached to this form for:

- any measure referred by the city governing body; or
- any initiative or referendum, if required by local ordinance.

Explanatory Statement Attached? Yes No

Authorized City Official Not required to be notarized.

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By signing this document:

- I hereby state that I am authorized by the city to submit this Notice of Measure Election; and
- I certify that notice of receipt of ballot title has been published and the ballot title challenge process for this measure completed.

Signature

3/2/26

Date Signed

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City of Tigard
May 19, 2026 Explanatory Statement

Why The Bond Is Being Proposed

Tigard's police and public works buildings are beyond their useful life. They were built more than 40 years ago for a community that has since tripled in size. They are no longer large enough to handle today's service demands and do not meet current best practices in public safety. Tigard's first responders and the equipment they need to do their jobs are spread across nine locations, which has made operations less efficient and more expensive. For the past several years, the city has assessed how to meet the current and future service needs of this growing community and recently acquired 9.5 acres of vacant land for this facility. Having done the background work, the next step is to refer a bond to the voters for construction.

What the Bond Would Fund

The bond would fund capital costs related to providing a new, integrated facility for first responders who respond to crimes, ensure clean drinking water, and maintain roads. As a result, Tigard would be able to respond more effectively and efficiently to everyday issues and in times of crisis.

The new facility would:

- Include a resilient emergency operations center with back-up power and communications systems that would function independently for up to 7 days during major outages, storms, floods, or other large-scale emergencies.
- Improve efficiencies through consolidation of workspaces and better protect expensive equipment from the elements.
- Meet best practices for the secure, onsite storage of evidence in criminal cases, instead of keeping evidence in leased off-site spaces.
- Provide equitable access to people with disabilities.
- Provide a trauma-informed, supportive space for crime victims to meet with officers.
- Include training space onsite so police officers do not need to leave the community for required instruction.

The city would provide transparency and accountability through required annual independent audits and public reporting to verify that bond funds are used as approved by voters.

How the Bond Would Be Financed

To finance the project, general obligation bonds would be issued in a principal amount not to exceed \$150 million, potentially in multiple series, each maturing within 30 years. Bond payments will be financed through property taxes.

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If the proposed bond is approved, the estimated annual tax rate for the project would be \$0.765 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. For the average Tigard homeowner, that equals about \$263 per year (about \$22 per month).

Because the city's current parks bond is scheduled to expire, the estimated net increase over today's tax rate would be about \$163 per year (about \$14 per month) for the average homeowner.

For reference, the average Tigard home had an assessed value of \$344,406 as of November 2025, which is comparable to a real market value of \$638,972.