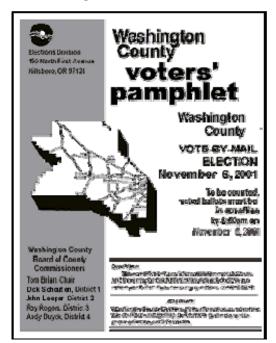


# Washington County, Oregon

#### Voters' Pamphlet: - Vote-By-Mail, November 6, 2001

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#### **Sherwood City**

#### Measure No. 34-45

Requires Voter Approval to Use Willamette River for Drinking Water

#### **King City**

#### Measure No. 34-44

Charter Mandated Vote on Extending King City Boundaries

Election results for this election will be available beginning at 8:00 pm, November 6, 2001, by calling **503 / 846 - 8670** 

# SHERWOOD CITY Measure No. 34-45 BALLOT TITLE

## REQUIRES VOTER APPROVAL TO USE WILLAMETTE RIVER FOR DRINKING WATER

**QUESTION:** Shall Charter be amended to prohibit using Willamette River as drinking water source within city without prior city elector approval?

**SUMMARY:** This measure amends the City Charter. The current Charter does not limit drinking water sources. Since the current Charter is silent, drinking water sources are now chosen by the City Council. This Charter amendment limits the City Council's choices. This Charter amendment requires prior approval by a majority of city electors at a duly called election before the City Council can use the Willamette River as a drinking water source within the city.

#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Prior to the City allowing Willamette River water to be used for residential drinking water, the citizens would have to, by vote, approve its use.

Submitted by: C.L. Wiley (City Elections Officer City of Sherwood)

#### ARGUMENT FOR

#### VOTE YES ON 34-45 CITIZEN'S RIGHT TO CHOOSE

#### WHY SHOULD WE VOTE YES:

- We the "**ELECTORS**" (Voters) deserve the right to choose whether we want to drink treated Willamette River water.
- There is no proof that the Willamette River Treatment Plant can remove all of the toxins from the water.
- There are other possible sources of water, such as the Bull Run, Clackamas and Trask that we know are cleaner.
- Gives the City of Sherwood time to develop other options for future drinking water needs.

#### WHAT DOES A YES VOTE MEAN:

- Your "yes" vote amends the Charter of the City of Sherwood.
- The amended charter will allow us to vote on the use of treated Willamette River water as drinking water.
- You have preserved your right to choose.

Submitted by: Glenn Brostrom Citizens for Safe Water

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#### ARGUMENT FOR

#### AN APPEAL TO ALL PARENTS VOTE YES ON BALLOT MEASURE 34-45

As parents we need to have a voice in the water that our children drink both at home and at school. Ballot Measure 34-45 amends the Charter of the City of Sherwood allowing us to <a href="CHOOSE">CHOOSE</a> regarding the issue of drinking treated Willamette River Water.

A yes vote on the Measure 34-45 will give us that choice should the City of Sherwood decide to put treated Willamette River water in our pipes. This means that prior to contracting for treated Willamette River water for drinking, a vote must be held. At that point, <u>WE DECIDE</u>.

Submitted by: Kurt Fankhauser The printing of this argument does not constitute an endorsement by Washington County, nor does the county warrant the accuracy or truth of any statement made in the argument.

#### ARGUMENT FOR

A "<u>YES</u>" vote for Ballot Measure 34-45 will <u>secure your right to choose</u> whether or not you want to drink treated Willamette River water.

The quality of our water source will affect every resident of Sherwood from the unborn and newborn to the senior citizen. This critical decision should not be made by the mayor and city council, but by the voters who's health could be at risk and who will have to pay the high costs of treating Willamette River water.

#### Why is Willamette River water risky for human consumption?

- Willamette River is the 10th most contaminated river in the US.
   Governor Kitzhaber said it would take 20 years to clean up the river.
- Willamette River is contaminated with industrial waste, toxic chemicals, sewage, heavy metals, endocrine disrupters, antibiotics, steroids and petroleum products.
- No safe drinking water standard for 42 pesticides detected in the river water.
- EPA safe drinking water standards are established for a 155 pound man, not for pregnant women, infants and children.
- No scientific explanation for deformed fish and cancerous fish, but preliminary studies indicate the cause is something in the river water.
- Traces of chemicals will get through the water treatment process according to the construction engineers building the plant.
- Treated Willamette River water will be the most expensive water in the metro area due to increasing electricity costs (PG&E increase for industrial use is 52%) and continuing future costs to upgrade the plant to meet changing EPA regulatory standards.

AMMEND THE SHERWOOD CITY CHARTER
PUT THIS CRITICAL DECISION IN THE HANDS
OF THE VOTERS
VOTE YES ON BALLOT MEASURE 34-45.

Submitted by: Charles D. Scott Citizens for Safe Water

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#### KING CITY

# Measure No. 34-44 BALLOT TITLE

### CHARTER MANDATED VOTE ON EXTENDING KING CITY BOUNDARIES

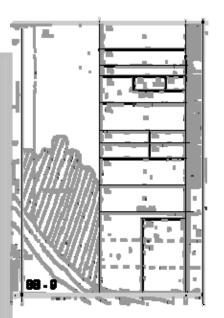
**QUESTION:** Shall King City extend its boundaries by annexing certain territory not within the City and contiguous to it?

**SUMMARY:** If this measure is approved, the city will be authorized to proceed with extending its boundaries through annexation of a tax lot partially within and partially without Metro's urban growth boundary consistent with Metro Code 3.09.050(g) and contiguous to the city limits.

The major effect on the City will be an increase in tax revenues; police functions are already provided through an intergovernmental agreement. No other urban services are provided by the City.

The property affected is shown on the map below, lying generally north of the Tualatin River and east of SW 131st Avenue, described as follows:

Tax Lot 191 (southern portion)



#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

The City Council for the City of King City initiated the annexation of certain real property into the City of King City. As required by Chapter 1, Section 3 of the King City Charter, the City Council shall first submit

the question of annexation to a vote of the people.

The proposed territory for annexation includes the following tax parcel:

Tax Lot 191 (southern portion)

The City of King City annexed approximately 90 acres of Urban Reserve

Area 47 on May 15, 2001. The annexation followed natural boundaries

that bisected tax lot 191 such that a portion of the lot was left outside of the City boundaries. Metro Code 3.09.050(g) allows a city to annex a tax lot partially within and partially without the urban growth boundary.

The major impact of the annexation would be to allow for the uniform regulation of tax lot 191.

Once approved by the voters, the City Council is required to hold a hearing on the proposed annexation consistent with Chapter 3.09 of the Metro Code. All annexations must be consistent with the orderly and efficient provision of public facilities under the Metro Code.

#### **ARGUMENT FOR**

In May of 2001, the residents of King City overwhelmingly voted to allow annexation of Urban Reserve #47, with 72 percent of the vote favoring annexation. Unfortunately, UR#47 divided the largest tax lot in two, leaving a portion of a tax lot outside of the Urban Growth Boundary. If annexed as is, part of this tax lot would be within Washington County's jurisdiction and the other portion would be within King City. This has raised serious problems for the city and the developers who wish to build homes on the portion inside the Urban Growth Boundary. To solve the problem, it is necessary to annex the portion of this tax lot that is outside of the UGB into the city limits of King City. This area will remain outside of the Urban Growth Boundary and is planned as park and open space.

- Your yes vote will allow King City to control the development of UR #47 and this property.
- Your yes vote allows the existing plans to move forward but does not allow any additional residential development to occur.
- Your yes vote allows King City residents to enjoy the benefits of the previous annexation.

Please allow King City to control future development of this area by voting yes on Measure 34-44.

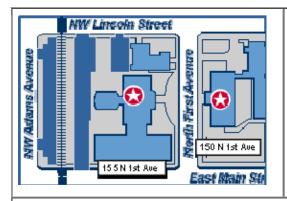
Please join us in supporting Measure 34-44!

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Submitted by: Craig Brown V.P. Matrix Development Corporation Legend Homes Corporation

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#### **Ballot Drop Sites**



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#### **Washington County Elections**

150 N. 1st Avenue Hillsboro, Oregon

NORMAL HOURS: Monday thru Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

SPECIAL HOURS: Election day, 7:00 am to 8:00 pm

Ballots may also be dropped off at the following locations:

- Sherwood City Hall, 20 NW Washington Street, Sherwood, Oregon, and
- King City -- City Hall, 15300 SW 116th Avenue, King City, Oregon