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**VOTE-BY-MAIL** GENERAL ELECTION **NOVEMBER 7, 2006** 

> To be counted, voted ballots must be in our office by 8:00 pm on **NOVEMBER 7, 2006**



Tom Brian, Chair Dick Schouten, District 1 John Leeper, District 2 Roy Rogers, District 3 Andy Duyck, District 4

## Dear Voter:

This pamphlet contains information for several districts and there may be candidates/measures included that are not on your ballot. If you have any questions, call 503-846-5800.

### Attention:

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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 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 Official.



# Washington County OREGON

November 2006

Dear Washington County Voter:

This part of your Voter's Pamphlet is provided by your Washington County Elections Division. It includes information about candidates and measures from local jurisdictions within the boundaries of Washington County. We have inserted the County's Voter Pamphlet into the State's Voter Pamphlet to save mailing and production costs. The State Pamphlet (on either side of the color bar portion) includes federal and state candidates as well as state measures.

This pamphlet also includes information on how to vote your optical scan ballot, including how to write-in a candidate. Additional information about candidates, measures, how to vote, and other election resources, can be found on the Washington County Web Site – <a href="https://www.co.washington.or.us/elections">www.co.washington.or.us/elections</a>.

Once you have completed your ballot, you may return it via:

24-hour drop sites available October 20, 2006 – November 7, 2006 Or by Mail.

To be counted, Elections must receive your completed ballot before 8:00 PM on Election Day.

If you have any questions, or you need assistance please do not hesitate to contact our office for help at 503-846-5800 or email us at <u>elections@co.washington.or.us</u>.

Sincerely,

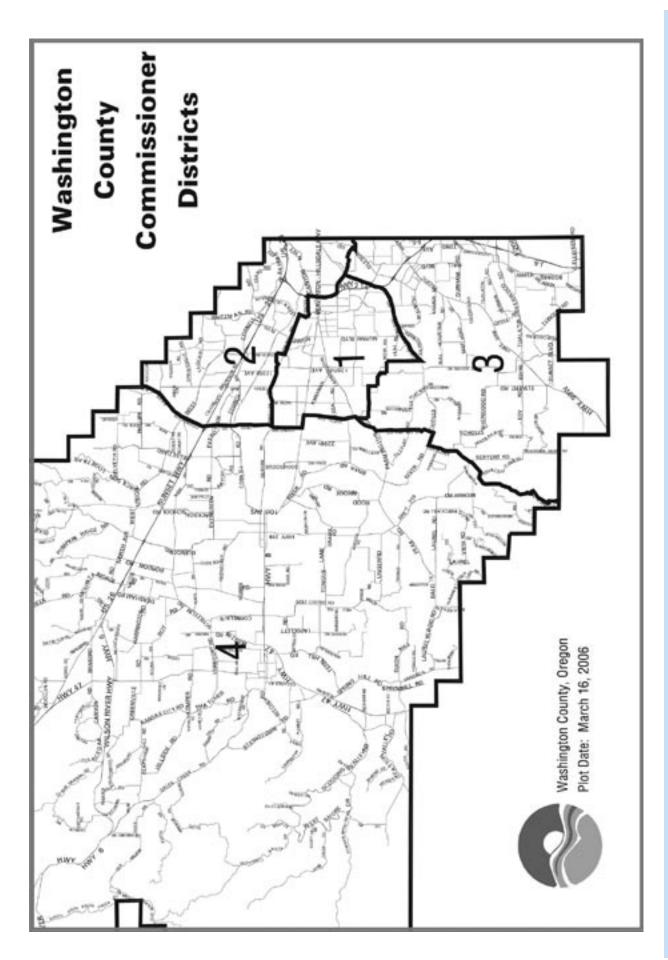
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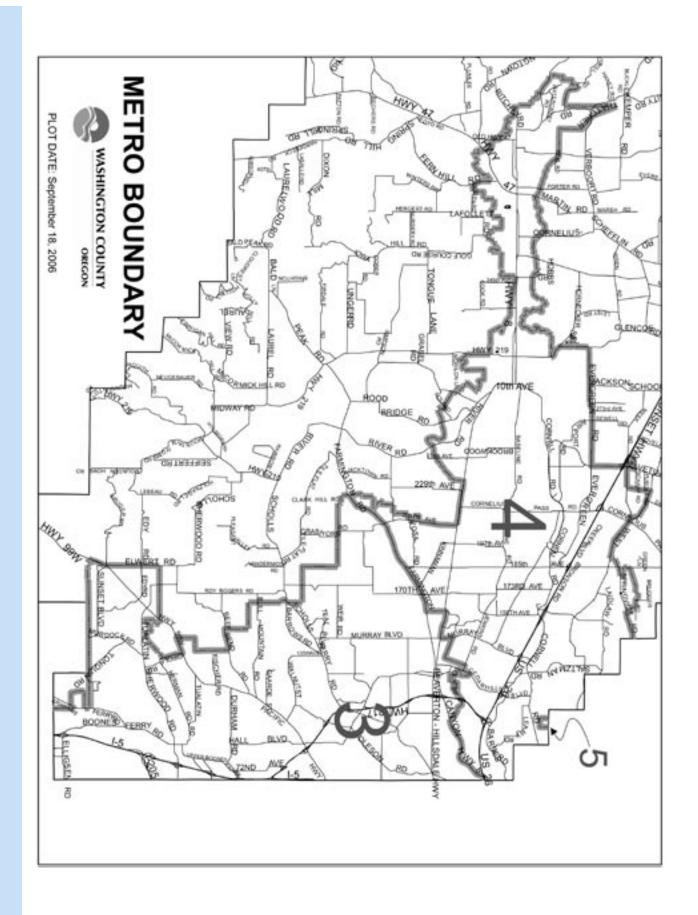
Director, Assessment and Taxation

Ex Officio County Clerk

Mickie Kawai Elections Manager

Department of Assessment & Taxation, Elections Division





## Commissioner, District 2



# Desari Caldwell

**OCCUPATION:** Business and Media Consultant

#### OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Brand Manager, Athlete Relations, NIKE, Inc; Director of Marketing, RYKA, Footwear and Apparel.

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**Portland State University; Hillsboro
High School; The American School

of The Hague;

**PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:** Legislative Director, State Representative Mitch Greenlick; Congressional Aide and Business Liaison for U.S. Congresswoman Darlene Hooley

#### CALDWELL FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Living Well in Washington County

Growing up in Hillsboro, and working most of my career in Washington County, I have enjoyed a lifelong passion with our county. No other place in Oregon offers the natural beauty, world-class economy and unparalleled quality of life that our residents enjoy. I have traveled around the world with my business and there is no other place that I would rather live and raise my family.

My experience in both the corporate and political worlds gives me a unique perspective on how business, government and the community can and should work <u>together</u> to support, manage and grow the economy while preserving the quality of life of Washington County.

I would be honored to serve as your next County Commissioner. I am asking for your support and more importantly your vote on November 7th. Thank you. Desari Caldwell

### Desari Caldwell - Leading Washington County's Future Success

- Developing and supporting nationally recognized schools
- Driving sustainable economic and community development
- · Spurring economic development, that result in family wage jobs
- Making balanced, reasonable and fair land-use decisions

#### Desari Caldwell - Preserving Washington County's Quality of Life

- Strengthening the community for families and seniors to make livable and safe neighborhoods
- Delivering county services at a fair and reasonable price to residents
- Reducing traffic congestion with a smart balance of roads and public transit
- Protecting and sensibly managing our natural resources and farmland

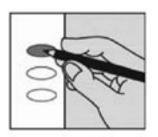
I am supported and endorsed by many elected and community leaders, to learn more about my campaign please visit <a href="www.desaricaldwell.com">www.desaricaldwell.com</a>

Paid for by Friends of Caldwell

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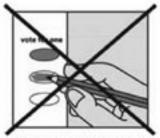
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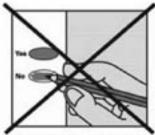
Make sure you have completely filled in the ovals next to your choices.



If you vote for more candidates than allowed, or if you vote **both** Yes **and** No on a measure, it is called an overvote.

Your vote will not count for that candidate or measure.





You do not have to vote on all contests. Those you do vote on will still count.

Contact County Elections to request a replacement ballot if:

- →you make a mistake
- →your ballot is damaged or spoiled
- →you lose your ballot

or for any other reason.

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visit www.oregonvotes.org

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for the hearing impaired

# **METRO**

## Councilor, District 4



# Tom Cox

**OCCUPATION:** management consultant

#### OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:

IBM Global Services, PriceWaterhouseCoopers, others on four continents over 14 years

## EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

University of Chicago BA Behavioral Science 1986 with honors

**PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:** Political party state chair; Oregon Public Performance Management Association steering committee; OLCC business partners committee

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:** Oregon Economic and Business Forum; City Club of Portland; co-founded Westside Recycling Scholarship

# TOM COX FOR TRANSPORTATION AND LIVABILITY

Currently Metro plans to add 1 million people in the next 25 years while adding no net road capacity. They admit **this will quadruple traffic congestion.** 

This Metro plan includes **re-striping** portions of **major four-lane roads** like Cornell, Murray, TV Highway, Canyon, Farmington, Hall, and Evergreen **down to two lanes,** in the name of safety and "traffic calming".

Metro incumbents say we should try to be **more like Los Angeles**, doubling our population density and cutting per-capita road capacity in half.

Tom Cox says these plans will destroy our quality of life.

2005's "Cost of Congestion" study shows **traffic congestion will cost our region's economy 3/4 of a billion dollars** annually due to lost wages, lost jobs, and the higher costs caused by excessive traffic delays.

#### Cox's three goals:

- Completing the I-205 Beltway around the west side.
- Adding land to the UGB to provide affordable housing for working families now priced out of the market, and room for commercial and industrial growth to create jobs.
- Prioritizing road dollars based on how much congestion relief each project provides. Widening 217 cannot wait until 2089.

Cox's support spans the political spectrum, from Marge Kafoury to Chip Lazenby to County Commissioner Andy Duyck. Both Al Young and Kathy Christy endorse Cox.

Cox brought together State Rep. Chuck Riley, Hillsboro Mayor Tom Hughes and Forest Grove Mayor Richard Kidd to create the Westside Recycling Scholarship Contest.

Cox is "smart, fearless" and "will ... add a diversity of thought to Metro." – Willamette Week (5/3/06).

Aim for the open road and vote Cox for Metro. www.coxformetro.com

(This information furnished by Tom Cox)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

## Councilor, District 4



# Kathryn Harrington

**OCCUPATION:** Community Advocate

#### auvocate

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Intel – engineering and marketing manager; Central Point Software; Wang Laboratories.

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Oregon Graduate Institute; University of New Hampshire, B.S.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Vice-chair, Citizen
Participation Organization 7; Washington County Citizen Representative,
Metro Regional Transportation Options Subcommittee; Project Advisory
Committee – Cornell Road

#### KATHRYN HARRINGTON - THE BEST CHOICE FOR METRO

#### **Protecting our Quality of Life**

Kathryn Harrington knows growth must be managed to enhance the family-oriented nature of our neighborhoods. **She'll work to preserve our rural and suburban communities** while making sure we have room for new schools, good housing choices, and clean air and water.

"We know that Kathryn will work with communities, businesses and governments to make sure growth serves our way of life in Washington County."

-Lori Waldo, Bethany resident -Tom Vanderzanden, Business Owner/Farmer

#### Partnerships for Progress

Kathryn Harrington understands some local communities are frustrated with Metro, but too much is at stake for bickering and blame.

"Kathryn Harrington believes in building consensus to solve problems. She knows Metro has an important responsibility and knows we need respectful partnerships to get the job done."

-Tom Hughes, Hillsboro Mayor

#### Experience we Need - Expertise we can Trust

Kathryn Harrington has the right experience for Metro. As a former business leader, she knows that a strong economy and high-wage jobs depend on a solid transportation system. She'll find creative solutions to improve roads and highways and expand public transit.

"Through her high-tech experience, Kathryn has a proven track record understanding complex budgets and is the best candidate to manage finances responsibly and ensure Metro is accountable to taxpayers."

-Professor Russ Dondero, Forest Grove resident

#### KATHRYN HAS WIDESPREAD COMMUNITY SUPPORT:

Former Secretary of State Norma Paulus
State Representatives Brad Avakian and Mitch Greenlick
Washington County Commissioner Dick Schouten
Hillsboro City Councilor Aron Carleson
Cornelius City Council President Amy Scheckla-Cox
Oregon League of Conservation Voters
AFSCME Local 3580

And many more at:

#### www.KathrynForMetro.com

(This information furnished by Harrington for Metro)

## **City Council**



# Kevin G. Bauerle

**OCCUPATION:** American Bankcard Corporation, President & Hot of the Grill, partner

#### OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:

La Mirage – General Manager; Equinox Internation – Marketing Director; OFF The Grill Franchising – Director of Recuiting & Sales Training; OTG Portland one, LLC – president.

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Westview High School, 12; Pr. Schools – Real Estate, Real Estate Broker.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Chairmen – Fundraising Committee for BMRI: Co chair Communications Committee for BMRI.

Elect Kevin Bauerle for City Council.

Kevin Bauerle is a fair-minded leader with a progressive attitude and the ability to get things done. He will strive to understand his constituent's needs and wants and base his decisions on what will impact Bull Mountain in a positive manner for all residents. A vote for Kevin Bauerle is the right choice for the future of Bull Mountain.

(This information furnished by Kevin G. Bauerle)

## **City Council**



# Steven C. Burke

**OCCUPATION:** Attorney, 10/2001 to Present. Steven C. Burke P.C. Steve is admitted to practice law in Oregon, Washington, and U.S. Courts. He finds having his own law firm provides the freedom to be innovative in his law practice, while having flexibility for his family.

## OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:

Associate Attorney, 10/2000 to 10/2001, Rycewicz & Chenoweth, LLP; Legal Assistant/Paralegal, 03/1999 to 10/2000, Ball Janik LLP; Foreclosure Specialist, 04/1996 to 03/1999, Wilshire Financial Services Group

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Northwestern School of Law of Lewis & Clark, Juris Doctor, May 2000; Portland State University, Bachelor of Science, May 1994

#### PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None.

Steve moved to Bull Mountain with his wife in 1998, and since then has had two children. His family enjoys Bull Mountain for the livability of the area, its sense of community, and the absence of commercial congestion. Unfortunately, all of this is at risk. The status quo of Bull Mountain of remaining an unincorporated area must end. The Citizens of Bull Mountain have two choices: annex into Tigard, or incorporate into the City of Bull Mountain. Steve firmly believes that incorporation of the City of Bull Mountain will provide local control of our community, and ensure that our tax dollars are spent solely on our community. Incorporation is the best choice. By incorporating, Bull Mountain will remain the safe, stable, and enjoyable community it is. As your City Counselor, Steve will listen to your concerns, and work hard to maintain and improve our community safety, services and recreation resources. Part of this plan will include creating and continuing partnerships with surrounding public resources, such as police, fire, water, and garbage. Using existing infrastructure will be more economical, and more feasible, while ensuring the citizens of Bull Mountain retain the community they enjoy.

(This information furnished by Steven C. Burke)

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## **City Council**



## Kinton Fowler

**OCCUPATION:** Semi-retired

#### **OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

Accounting and information technology positions in private industry at staff and management levels.

## **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

Bachelor of Science degree in business from the University of

California at Berkeley

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None

#### Why I believe in incorporation:

Local people who care about and share the values of the Bull Mountain area will make decisions about planning, development, natural spaces, streets and roads, law enforcement and safety, and other issues that affect our quality of life and priorities as a community.

#### What my priorities would be if elected:

Getting the city off to a solid start

Be certain the new city would have a solid financial footing See that strong financial controls are implemented Make certain that an appropriate person is hired as city manager

Assure that the policing agreement with the Washington County Sheriffs

Department would provide adequate police protection

Getting the city office to a solid start on planning
Be sure the new city has a strong voice in the
comprehensive planning of the new urban growth areas
within the city-Areas 63 & 64
Get the Bull Mountain Community Plan established as the

benchmark for future planning and development

Laying the ground work for future parks

#### What I would bring to the City of Bull Mountain:

Knowledge and contacts with Washington County gained through the past year with my involvement with Bull Mountain Residents for Incorporation

A financial background from 40 years in private industry as a cost accountant, controller, and financial analyst

Experience on boards of private entities

A desire to be good conscientious city councilor

(This information furnished by Kinton Fowler)

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## **City Council**



# Lisa Hamilton-Treick

**OCCUPATION:** Real Estate Broker, Hamilton Realty

#### OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Small Business Owner; Real Estate Broker; Oregon Health Sciences University

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**University of Montana; Portland State University

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Appointed to SB 887 (2006) Annexation Work Group, Interim Oregon House of Representatives Land Use Committee; Washington County Citizen Participation Organization (CPO-4B) Steering Committee

PERSONAL: Married to Tom, 2 children, and 2 grandchildren

#### PRIORITIZING PUBLIC SAFETY

**LISA HAMILTON-TREICK** will ensure **police services are fully funded** and that we receive timely response from police, fire and emergency medical service providers, and make **crime prevention a top priority.** 

"With the growing methamphetamine crisis it's crucial to maximize law enforcement patrol and community corrections. Lisa has a long history of supporting public safety efforts to keep our community safe. I support her for Bull Mountain City Council." – Rob Gordon, Washington County Sheriff

### PROTECTING OUR QUALITY OF LIFE

LISA HAMILTON-TREICK will work to enhance our city's livability. In order to preserve our community's quality of life we must manage new growth to protect our neighborhoods from traffic and incompatible development.

"Lisa understands Oregon's land use system and will work to improve our community's livability by responsibly planning for growth." – **State Representative Jerry Krummel, Bull Mountain** 

#### **PROVEN LEADERSHIP**

LISA HAMILTON-TREICK is committed to increasing citizen communication and promoting community involvement in decisions affecting our city. Elected officials must be accessible, open-minded, and most importantly represent their constituent's needs.

Endorsed by: Tom Brian, Chairman, Washington County Board of Commissioners

"Lisa is an effective leader in the community and the legislative process. She brings parties together for a common goal, giving residents of Bull Mountain a voice in their own governance." – Richard Franzke, a chief petitioner for City of Bull Mountain.

### A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM LISA HAMILTON-TREICK

"I am committed to represent you with honesty and integrity. I look forward to your support on November 7th! If you have concerns or questions please feel free to contact me at (503) 579-1203 or lisa@friendsoflisa.com."

**INTEGRITY - EXPERIENCE - COMMITMENT** 

### LISA HAMILTON-TREICK FOR BULL MOUNTAIN CITY COUNCIL

(This information furnished by Friends of Lisa Hamilton-Treick)

## **City Council**



# Ken Henschel

**OCCUPATION:** Small Business Owner

# OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: 22 years in sales and management in the electrical distribution industry

# **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**Bachelor of Science in Business Administration-University of Denver

#### PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:

- Chairman: Washington County Citizen Participation Organization 4B (CPO-4B), May 2005 to present
- Vice-Chairman: Washington County Citizen Participation Organization 4B (CPO-4B), April 2004 to May 2005
- Co-Author: CPO-4B's "Study of Governance Options for Unincorporated Bull Mountain"
- Assisted in the successful efforts to pass House Bill 2484 (secures dual-majority vote statewide in ORS 195 annexations) and 2722 (removes a city's ability to arbitrarily veto an attempt by a neighboring unincorporated area to form its own city)
- Organized the 2006 "Forum on Highway 99W Traffic Flow," bringing together many government and community leaders to address Highway 99W congestion through Tigard

#### Family:

-Married to Sandy for 22 years. Son Shawn and daughter Kara.

## Community Service:

- -Scout Leader: Boy Scout Troop 423
- -Former Treasurer: Asthma & Allergy Foundation of America-Oregon Chapter

Ken Henschel brings enthusiasm and leadership experience to the new City of Bull Mountain. Ken has been heavily involved for three years in the many discussions surrounding Bull Mountain governance, and understands the challenges of our fast-growing community. He has learned who's who in the many state and local governments and jurisdictions, and works collaboratively and creatively to solve problems. Strong leadership and effective communication skills will be necessary to govern Bull Mountain, Oregon, especially in the new city's infancy. Ken Henschel is an excellent choice for your new Bull Mountain City Council!

### **Endorsements:**

- Jerry Krummel: Oregon State Representative
- Tom Brian: Chairman, Washington County Board of Commissioners
- Rob Gordon: Washington County Sheriff
- Bill Fagan: Owner, Elmo Studd's Building Supplies

"Ken is truly an effective community leader. He listens to the concerns of others, explores the options and works for positive solutions. He has lots of experience with local government and can hit the ground running on the new Bull Mountain City Council."

-State Representative Jerry Krummel

### (This information furnished by Ken Henschel)

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## **City Council**



# Susan S. Morelli

OCCUPATION: Vice President

- Development; The Foundation for
Tigard Tualatin Schools Freelance
Reporter.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: President, The Foundation for Tigard Tualatin Schools (2002 - 2005); E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc., various engineering, marketing and management positions (1984 – 1995)

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Bachelor of Science – Electrical & Computer Engineering, University of South Carolina (1984)

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Downtown Tigard Task Force Urban Renewal Project (2004 - 2005)

#### AWARDS:

Tigard Chamber of Commerce – 2004 Volunteerism "From the Heart" Willamette Valley Development Officers – 2003 Starbright Volunteer Award

#### **REMARKS:**

I am asking for your vote as one of your city councilors. The formation of a new city is an enormous task. It will require people with fortitude, vision, commitment, and creativity, as well as fiscal responsibility to the taxpayers. I have demonstrated these traits throughout our community in various activities. With the help of many volunteers, I have grown The Foundation for Tigard Tualatin Schools from an unknown entity to a viable, sustainable local non-profit organization within a few years. I was appointed to the Downtown Tigard Task Force Urban Renewal Project. In this long term plan many of my ideas regarding livability are incorporated in the final voter-approved project. My twelve years experience with Du Pont, combined with my formal education, have given me strong problem solving and decision making skills. These skills will be essential to form a new city.

It is very important to me and my family for Bull Mountain to remain a fantastic place to live. I thank you in advance for your support.

(This information furnished by Susan S. Morelli)

## **City Council**



# Charles F. Radley

**OCCUPATION:** Software Engineer

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Since 1977, systems engineer at several aerospace companies and commercial high-tech companies. Engaged in software QA and system

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

High School: Ipswich School,

safety positions.

U.K.; B.Sc. Physics, Imperial College, London, U.K.; M.Sc. Systems Engineering, The City University, London, U.K.

**PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:** Currently serving term as elected Commissioner of the Tigard Water District. Former employee of federal contractors, serving DOD, NASA, DOE-BPA.

Bull Mountain needs a new city now. The status quo is no longer an option, because Tigard continues with piecemeal annexation, in a couple of years there will be hardly anything left to incorporate.

This our last chance for parks. Our new city would include a total of 295.3 of buildable acres, plenty of space for parks, which will be my priority as a councilor.

Police: Bull Mountain is a low crime area. If we annex to Tigard our taxes will be consumed for policing higher crime locations. A new city will continue our excellent value Sheriff coverage.

Urban Services: most of our existing service districts can continue, e.g. for fire, water, sewer.

Please visit Web site: http://www.cityofbullmountain.org/

A new city represents our last chance to gain local control and improve our quality of life.

I am on the Steering Committee of CPO-4B (Citizens Participation Organization), and I chaired the CPO-4B Governance Committee to study future options for the Bull Mountain area. I am convinced that incorporating a new city is in the best interests of the local community.

Please vote in favor of a new city on Bull Mountain.

\* Statements of Endorsement

Richard P. Burke, Commissioner Tualatin Valley Water District Marc Delphine, Commissioner Tigard Water District Kinton Fowler Kevin Bauerle

(This information furnished by Charles F. Radley)

## **City Council**



# Wynne Wakkila

**OCCUPATION:** Semi-retired Financial Planner

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Government Accounting, Auditing, Management Analysis; Teacher

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:
Oregon State University

Oregon State University BS; Graduate work: Public Administration, Education, Program

Evaluation, Communications. Additional education: Public Relations, Oregon State Local Budget Law, Human Resources, Program Evaluation, Project Management, Business Law, Investments/Securities, Counterterrorism, Human Trafficking, Drug Trafficking

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: City of Portland Principal Accountant, Auditing Supervisor; Clark County Chief Deputy Treasurer; Washington County Management Analyst II; Linn County A/P Supervisor. Work areas include law enforcement, parks, community development, licenses/franchises, elections.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:** CPO4B Steering Committee; Tigard Water District Budget Committee; City Club Government and Public Safety Co-chair, Citizenship and Government Co-Chair, Law and Public Safety Standing Committee; Oregon Program Evaluator's Network; Envisioning Oregon; Eagle's View HOA VP; Neighborhood Watch Coordinator; PACE Credit Union Advisory Board; Tigard/Washington County Police Subcommittee; more

#### **ENDORSEMENTS:**

"Wynne's genuine concern for the public good has resulted in years of public service, both paid and unpaid. She is well equipped for this job." Heidi Omstead, former Elections Manager Benton County and Linn County

"Wynne cares about Bull Mountain and will work hard for the future of Bull Mountain. I urge you to vote for Wynne." Jim Spinden, former Washington County Sheriff

"Wynne has varied experience in many facets of local government operations and programs. Her enthusiasm for her work and the effort she exhibits are excellent." Rick Gordon, former Washington County Sheriff's Commander

"Wynne will be a fiscal watch dog for Bull Mountain." Dan Ivancie, former Multnomah County Auditor

"Wynne unites people to reach sound decisions." Gary E. Davis, President Eagles View Homeowners Association

"Wynne's commitment to community service, experience and education are strongly needed at this time." Susan Kelly, Past–President City Club

"If you were giving five people money to open a new restaurant, wouldn't you hope at least one of them had experience working in a restaurant. I'm asking for your vote on that same basis." Wynne

I am running as a public servant and will not accept contributions.

(This information furnished by Wynne Wakkila)

# CITY OF BEAVERTON

## City Council, Position 1



# Bruce S. Dalrymple

OCCUPATION: Director/ Executive Vice President, Touchmark, LLC (Beavertonbased business)

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Development and management of active adult and retirement communities

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Bachelor of Science/Certificate

of Public Health Studies, Portland State University; Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Portland Community College

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Elected positions held: Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District (THPRD) Board of Directors, 1997–2006; Budget Committee, 1988–1995, 1997–2006; Board President (2004–2006); Appointed: City of Beaverton City Council, 2006; Washington County Planning Commission (2001–2006); Washington County Land Use Advisory Committee (2001); THPRD - Fixed Rate Levy Campaign Committee (1996), Senate Bill 122 Citizens Advisory Committee (1999-2001); Tualatin Hills Park Foundation — Trustee (2000–2005; 2006), Board President (2002–2004); Policy Advisory Committee / 217 Corridor Urban Revitalization Project (2004–2006)

**PERSONAL:** Bruce and his wife have five children, all graduated from Beaverton schools. Served as coach, board member, and sponsor of Beaverton Area Little League, youth basketball coach: Beaverton Rotary Member.

### **Financial Accountability to Taxpayers**

More than 27 years in business and 17 years of special district budget experience. He will:

- provide openness, discipline, and accountability
- work to improve efficiencies
- ensure your tax money is well managed
- build business partnerships for a healthy economy

# Will Roll Up His Sleeves and Work on Issues We Care About:

- Support excellent public schools
- Seek state and federal funds to improve highway and road systems
- Maintain adequate police and fire protection
- Support senior and community programs and services
- Our library, parks and recreation

### **Experienced Leader, Problem Solver:**

At THPRD he worked diligently reducing operational spending while maintaining the high level of service asked for by you the voters. Experienced working with city, county, regional government, and brings established intergovernmental relationships to this position. He is experienced in interpretation of development code and land use planning from both the applicant and board reviewer perspectives. He will take an objective view of issues and use a big picture perspective setting policy and administrating this position.

(This information furnished by Bruce S. Dalrymple)

## City Council, Position 2



# Betty Bode

**OCCUPATION:** Beaverton City Councilor, Registered Nurse, State of Oregon

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Clinic Manager – Virginia Garcia Beaverton Clinic, 25 years College Instructor; Chair – Medical Assisting Program, Chemeketa Community College; Chair, Virginia Garcia Health Foundation

#### **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

**Doctor of Philosophy,** Oregon State University; **Masters of Science,** Nursing, University of Portland; **Bachelor of Science,** Nursing, minor, English, Madonna College, Livonia, MI; Spanish Immersion Program, Costa Rica

#### PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:

Elected Beaverton City Councilor 2003. City Council President, 2005; Past and Current Chair, Social Service Funding Committee; Council Liaison, Beaverton Library Board, 2006: Council Liaison, Committee for Citizen Involvement, 2003; Planning Commission, 2000; Chairperson, 1993–97; Human Rights Committee, Chairperson, Fairview Hospital, 1989–91.

RE-ELECT BETTY BODE: "I will continue my work to ensure the safety, health and livability of our community."

#### **BETTY BODE SUPPORTS:**

Transportation Projects easing congestion
Balanced and responsible Land Use Planning
Business Recruitment and Development
Enhancing Greenspaces, Parks, Trails
Affordable Housing – Quality Public Schools

Beaverton Library and the Arts

Thank you for your continued support!

(This information furnished by Betty Bode)

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# **CITY OF BEAVERTON**

# **CITY OF CORNELIUS**

## City Council, Position 5



# Dennis Doyle

**OCCUPATION:** Small Business Owner

**OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Supporting Computer Systems

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: BA in Political Science. ISU

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: THPRD Board of Directors, 4 yrs; Beaverton City Councilor, 12 yrs; LSC at Sexton

Mt. Elementary School and Beaverton High School

I am asking for your vote for another term as one of your city councilors. Your yes vote will signal your support for how I have done my job representing you on council. My understanding of how the city functions, where it is going, what is working and productive, and what needs to be strengthened, has not stopped growing. These experiences will help me continue to represent all Beaverton residents and businesses. I thank you for the opportunity to help lead our city as it grows in regional stature.

We are facing significant challenges in many areas of city business, planning, and growth management. Even the way the politics of the city are conducted has undergone a change. Beaverton is no longer a small city that moves quietly along. It is the center of much activity, and at times real or manufactured concerns. To keep us moving forward together we need careful leadership, decision making based on experience, drawn from a broad understanding of many variables. The policy work load for the next four years will be dramatic in terms of its scope and long term impact. A much needed visioning project will begin soon. It will look at many facets of our business and residential needs and plans. It will an exciting challenge and let start to map our community's path to the middle of our young century.

I stand on my voting record to date. I will continue to value Beaverton's quality of life above all other considerations. Over my years in office there have been tough decisions to make, and I have made them by balancing our code and what is good for our city.

(This information furnished by Dennis Doyle)

### Mayor

# No Photo Submitted

# Bill Bash

**OCCUPATION:** Mental Health Employment Specialist

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Mental Health Case Manager

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Pacific Lutheran University, BA degree, Majors Economics & Political Science. Auckland Teacher Training College, Diploma, Secondary Teaching

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: 12/92–12/94 Cornelius City Council, 1/95–8/95 member of the Budget Committee for the City of Cornelius, 9/95–present: member of the Planning Commission for the City of Cornelius, 9/2003 to present Chairman of the Planning Commission for the City of Cornelius

**OTHER:** General Contractor License (non-current); Real Estate License (non-current)

Why am I running for Mayor:

To bring transparency to Cornelius City Council decision making process.

- Decision making is made in front of the public.
- Some reasoning should be given when voting.

To continue to build up on the City Councils efforts to involve more people in our community.

- Continue to Town Hall meetings.
- Continue community news letter.
- Start using the internet more
- Continue to explore other areas
- · Continue the committee process.
  - · Several examples:
    - The alternative funding committee.
    - The committee looking at building complaints and concerns.

To improve community structures (Library, police, fire, roads, sidewalks, parks to name a few) through bringing in new business structures into Cornelius, thus increasing our property tax base and bring jobs closer to the people of Cornelius.

To bring back business confidence that this community is a good place to invest.

- Through good leadership
- Stable budget
- Working towards greater involvement with the City of Cornelius and the Cornelius Chamber of Commerce, Booster, and other civic groups.

To continue to bring back a positive can do attitude.

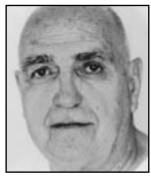
- · Staff feeling supported.
- Positive council attitude.
- Working towards a greater positive public attitude.
- Support working committees and commissioners.

(This information furnished by Bill Bash)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

# **CITY OF CORNELIUS**

## **City Council**



# Robert Ferrie

**OCCUPATION:** Retired US Air Force, Intelligence

**OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:** 20 yrs US Air Force

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**BA San Jose State University,
Geography

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Planning

Commission, City of Cornelius; Parks Commission, City of Cornelius; Public Works Committee, City of Cornelius; Budget Committee, City of Cornelius

Other Volunteer Experience: Cornelius Booster Club, Cornelius Community Center Committee

My priorities for my participation on the Cornelius City Council include the following:

- Encourage broader community participation in all city activities.
- Promote increased commercial and business growth in Cornelius.
- Reinstate the City of Cornelius' partnership with other local governmental agencies.
- Support our city staff.
- Helping the city leadership to see how their policies affect the senior residents of the city.
- Promote respect for the opinions of all Cornelius residents
- Increase the city's awareness of the need for housing options for seniors and low income families.
- Getting the City of Cornelius back on a positive track.

(This information furnished by Robert Ferrie)

## **City Council**



# Steven Heinrich

**OCCUPATION:** Self-Employed Antique Dealer

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: 1981–1994 — Tualatin Valley Irrigation Partsman

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Hillsboro High School, 1969 Graduate, Portland Community College 1981 Graduate, Associate Degree in Business

Management

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Over 14 years. Appointed to Council in April, 1991; Re–elected in 1992 and 1996. Served as Council President and appointed to interim Mayor July 1, 2002. Elected as Mayor 2002 until 2004. Served on Budget Committee for 14 years and also served on the Washington County Coordinating Committee, the Tualatin Basin Goal 5 Natural Resource Committee and Col–Pac.

If elected to city counsel I will bring experience, honesty and a vast knowledge of our community. My goal is that in the next two years I will bring the city back from where it was two years ago. By doing this will create an economic base that will keep a stable funded city without raising property taxes and creating new fees.

This city needs things for people to do, like fine Restaurants and shopping centers and professional buildings. We can accomplish this by being user friendly.

(This information furnished by Steven Heinrich)

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# CITY OF FOREST GROVE

## Mayor



# Richard G. Kidd III

**OCCUPATION:** Computer consultant

## OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:

Business owner; US. Army (command and staff experiencecompany to Brigade); BDM Corp. System Analyst

## EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

San Bernardino Valley College, University of California Riverside,

Graduate US Army Schools Management and Administration Command and General Staff College. Graduate courses; Public and national security.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Mayor City of Forest Grove (14 years) City Council (7 years)—Council president 3 years, Planning Commission—Chairman 6 years, Community Development Block Grant (14 years)—Chairman 3 years, Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC)—Representing Forest Grove and all other small cities in Washington County. Chairman 2006, City of Forest Grove Budget Committee, Council Liason to Community Forestry Commission. Served on the citizens Involvment commission, Chair for the state local officials advisory committee (LOAC) to the Land conservation and Development Commission (LCDC).

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Continually involved in community projects that include schools, church, Rotary (President 1997–98), scouting, senior citizens groups, and the Chamber of Commerce (President 1994)

**PERSONAL:** My family moved to Forest Grove in 1970, for what we thought would be a few years (Army assignment). The exceptional quality of life we found in this community convinced us otherwise and we chose to make Forest Grove our family home. It is my intention to contribute to a process which will allow our children to enjoy the same quality of life that attracted us to this area.

AS YOUR MAYOR: I am committed to maintaining a high quality of livability within our community. As our town grows, it will require careful planning and wise use of government resources especially your tax dollars. I will emphasize efficiency in our city to maintain and improve our current high level of city services.

I have been described as a person who has the ability to take on difficult issues and guide them to acceptable and reasonable solutions.

I invite your questions — please call 503 307 7054

(This information furnished by Richard Kidd III)

# **CITY OF FOREST GROVE**

## **City Council**



# Aldie Howard

**OCCUPATION:** Land-use Consultant, Planning Director - City of Vernonia, Oregon

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Land Use Consultant, Planning Director, Purser – US Navy – Military Sealift Command, Pacific, Real Estate Broker

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Portland, State University MA

Public Admin.

**PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:** Planning Director, City Council, Chairman – Planning Commission, Development Director, Assistant City Manager, Chief of Police

If you want responsive government you must elect those who have the experience necessary to lead a community. I have been in this community since 1957, served on the City Council, been a Fireman, Planning Commission member, Chamber of Commerce member, Rotary member, restaurant owner, graduate of Pacific University as Student body President. I am the Planning Director in Vernonia, have a broker's real estate license and am a Land Use Consultant – all paid positions. I have a Masters Degree in Public Administration from Portland State University.

The present City Council, with two exceptions, has failed to direct the City Manager to make Department Heads accountable, to be helpful, to offer realistic suggestions to land owners and developers and to be knowledgeable public servants.

The medical insurance benefit to Council persons is being abused. Unfortunately there is nothing in the Charter which mandates termination of Council persons who do not fulfill their responsibilities.

It is time for changes at City Hall. It is time to examine the relationships between Department Heads, the Manager and Council. It is time to find ways to fill the store fronts on Main and Pacific Avenue. It is time to seriously examine the impact of the Transfer Station by re–directing a portion of Metro money. It is time to fund the Senior Center instead of making them beg for support. It is time to improve sidewalks and streets. It is time to make the entrances to this City attractive, especially from the east. It is time to change the Charter. It is time tighten the Council medical benefits.

It is time for change. Your vote for me would be appreciated. Thank You.

(This information furnished by Aldie Howard)

## **City Council**



# Tom (TJ) Johnston

**OCCUPATION:** Student Supervisor – Forest Grove High School

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:
Retired Police Officer

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Forest Grove High School, 12 Diploma; Blue Mountain Comm College, AA Degree, Police Science: Portland

Comm College, Fire Science; Marylhurst College, Life Studies; Hundreds of Training Hours Board of Police Standards.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Past Chairman Washington County Public Safety Advisory Commission, Council Liaison Forest Grove Public Safety Advisory Commission, Budget Committee City of Forest Grove, Budget Chairman Washington County Consolidate Communications

I am a four year incumbent to the Forest Grove City Council. I have enjoyed serving my community in this capacity and I am seeking re–election to another four years. I have lived most of my life in Forest Grove where I graduated from high school and worked as a fireman and police officer for over thirty years retiring in 2001. For the past five years I have worked at the Forest Grove high school as student supervisor.

I have been married to my wife Raean for twenty-nine years and have three grown children and one grandson. In 1971 I graduated from the Blue Mountain College with a degree in Police Science, and have attended other local colleges in the area.

I have been on several commisssions over the past four years as liaison, Forest Grove parks and recreation, historical, public safety and chairman of the Washington County Public Safety advisory board and chairman of the Washington County consolidated communication (E-911) budget committee.

I believe the city needs to research new ways to secure our low electrical rates such as bio-mass, protect our watershed and our quality of water, and dedicate funds for our public safety departments. Sound funding for our parks and library are very important as well as continuing to rebuild our infra-structure so that future generations will enjoy living in Forest Grove.

We need to also continue to partnership with Washington County, City of Cornelius, Forest Grove Rural Fire District, Forest Grove School District, Oregon Department of Transportation and our other local partners.

(This information furnished by Tom Johnston for City Council)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

# CITY OF FOREST GROVE

## **City Council**



# Camille Miller

**OCCUPATION:** State Farm Insurance Agent

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: With State Farm for 36 years.

## **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

Sunset High School, 12, diploma; Industry related classes numbering in the hundreds of hours, IIA, CPIW, LTCP

#### PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL

**EXPERIENCE:** Served for 12 or 13 years on the CIAC, chairing it for the last several years of service

For over 30 years I have been involved heavily in our community through church, business and government activities. My service has included several volunteer positions at St Anthony's Catholic Church; past president of: The Chamber of Commerce, Balladtowne Kiwanis, The Insurance Women of Tualatin Valley. I served on the Citizen Involvement Advisory Committee for the City of Forest Grove for 13 years, many of those years as the chair. I assisted in writing our current City Charter, and currently serve on the Board of the Chamber of Commerce, Forest Grove Foundation and Forest Grove Kiwanis. On the Forest Grove Public Safety Advisory Commission I represent the Chamber of Commerce.

Since I am the fifth of twelve children, I am used to "playing well with others". I think that serves me well in my occupation as your State Farm Agent as well as co-chairing the Corn Roast for the last several years, being a driver for Meals on Wheels at the Senior Center and also working on the Vision Committee for our City.

I would like to continue to be of service to my community as your City Councilor and share the history and vision of our community.

I respectfully ask for your vote.

The following people have endorsed my candidacy:

Lucy Warren
Lynne Magner
TJ Buehler
Kelly Campbell
Linda Van Doren
Herb Drew
Mike Olson
Carl & Kathy Heisler
Shawn M Vilhauer,
Board of Directors,
Forest Grove School District

Peter Truax
Jon & Julie Larson
Mike Hundley
Don Jones
Pamelajean Myers
Fauna VanBlarcom
Becky Jo Saxe
William Holtzinger
Randy Roedl
Ray & Barbara Chapman

Ray Giansante Robert Mills

(This information furnished by Camille Miller)

## **City Council**



# Ron Thompson

**OCCUPATION:** Semi-Retired-National Certified Forester

#### OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: United States Forest Service-Forest firefighter, Forester, District Ranger, Policy Analyst, Program Analyst-30 years; City Planner-8 years; Wetland

# Consultant-3 years. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

Texas A&M and Louisiana State- Forest Management-BS-1965; Louisiana State – MS - Outdoor Recreation Planning- 1969; Michigan State- Resource Economics- post graduate training-44 hours-MS Equal-1976.

**PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:** Federal: 30 years total-Forest Service National-4 years Regional-15 years, District 9 years and US Army 2 years. City: Forest Grove Planning Commission, 9 years; City Planner-Cities of Yachats and Waldport, 8 years. Currently City Councilor-Forest Grove–4 years.

Optional Information

Married; two children, both are graduates of Forest Grove High School, two grandchildren; lived in Forest Grove for 26 years.

Council Liaison for the following:

Citizen Involvement Committee-Forest Grove Senior and Disability Transportation-Ride Connection Board of Directors-Regional

Energy Advisory Committee-League of Oregon Cities-Statewide

Important Issues

New Post Office-appropriate size for population and volume of work.

Trails and Sidewalks on main streets, especially near schools and parks.

Before new or increases in taxes or user fees all alternatives must be considered.

Quality Law Enforcement and Fire Protection.

Ethics in Government. Parks for the Future

Economic Development- Both Downtown and Industrial Areas

(This information furnished by Ron Thompson)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

# **CITY OF HILLSBORO**

## City Council, Ward 1, Position A



# Ed **Dennis**

OCCUPATION: Chief of Staff, Oregon Department of Education

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Legislative Coordinator, Oregon Secretary of State: Executive Director, Oregon Student Association; Chief Operating Officer, Oregon Student Foundation; Varsity Soccer Coach, Central and Dallas High Schools:

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Western Oregon University, BA in History, minor in Political Science

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: City Council 2002present, Chair, Transportation Committee, Hillsboro, Hillsboro Airport Issues Roundtable; Hillsboro Budget Committee; Metro Policy Advisory Committee, Mayor's Alternate, Washington County Community Block Grant Committee: Oregon Student Assistance Commission, Futures Committee; Citizen Curriculum Advisory Committee, Hillsboro School District;

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT: Washington County** Commission on Children, Community Schools Committee; SOLV, Education Committee;

Married to Elizabeth Nahl, two children.

"Ed Dennis has been true to the vision of preserving Hillsboro's comfortable, hometown feel, while helping to move it into the 21st century."

#### -- David Edwards, community leader

"Ed is a responsible budget writer and he keeps the focus we need to be successful on economic development issues.

## -- Tom Hughes, Mayor of Hillsboro

### STATEMENT FROM CITY COUNCILOR ED DENNIS

It has been rewarding to serve on the City Council. For more on the work I have been engaged in please see my web site: eddennis.com.

- I will keep Hillsboro's good reputation for sound fiscal management.
- I will continue to create an atmosphere conducive to the creation for family wage jobs in Hillsboro.
- I will continue to boost participation and involvement for more people in our community.

#### Contact me 503.888.1134, eddennis@comcast.net or www.eddennis.com

VOTE FOR POLICE, FIRE and EMERGENCY MEDICAL

- Vote YES on local Measure 34-132 and get local fire and emergency response times back to 4 minutes
- Vote YES on local Measure 34-132 and keep current police officers on duty for Hillsboro.

VOTE FOR KIDS. VOTE FOR HILLSBORO

- Support on our local school measure 34-128 to rehabilitate aging schools.
- Adopt his responsible plan to address overcrowding in local schools. Vote Yes for 34-128.

(This information furnished by Ed Dennis)

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## City Council, Ward 2, Position A



# Aron Carleson

**OCCUPATION:** Community Activist and Volunteer

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Marketing

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** 

BA, Speech Communication/ Sociology, Linfield College: Beaverton High School

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL **EXPERIENCE:** (Present) Hillsboro

City Councilor; City of Hillsboro Transportation Committee; (Prior) City of Hillsboro Planning Zoning and Hearings Board; Washington County PAC for Cornelius Pass Road Improvement; Candidate State House of Representatives 2002: Budget Committee Hillsboro School District.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT: Hillsboro Schools Foundation; Greater Hillsboro Area Chamber of Commerce Leadership Advisory Council: Hillsboro School District Strategic Planning team 2000 & 2005; Co-Chair Citizens for Schools since 2000.

PERSONAL: Aron and her husband Peter have two sons in Hillsboro schools. Aron's family enjoys soccer, baseball and geocaching in our city parks.

#### SMART GROWTH

Aron Carleson will move Hillsboro forward. The experience she's gained serving on road improvement, zoning, and education committees will continue to benefit the city. Hillsboro's quality of life also depends on parks, libraries, and arts programs to retain and attract businesses. Aron will help build infrastructure to meet the demands of our growing population.

#### SAFE COMMUNITY

Aron Carleson believes in maintaining a strong police force and reducing the response time for fire calls.

For Aron, education isn't a campaign issue- it's a lifetime commitment. A parent and community leader, Aron works to build new schools, ensure a strong curriculum, and lobby legislators. Aron Carleson knows the future of Hillsboro starts with strong schools. She understands the urgent need to reduce crowding by building new schools and repairing older ones. The work for our schools and community are why Aron has the endorsement of Mayor Tom Hughes. We must continue to develop partnerships with the city, business and schools to provide a quality education for our future workforce.

### **VOTER TURNOUT**

Have your say-remember to vote. Please help community leaders understand 'the will of the voters' by casting your ballot in the November 7, 2006 election. Election results shape our future.

www.aroncarleson.com

(This information furnished by Friends of Aron Carleson)

# CITY OF HILLSBORO

## City Council, Ward 3, Position A



# Richard Allen

**OCCUPATION:** Chuck Riley for State Representative: 05/2006-Present

#### **OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

- Norm Thompson Outfitters: 10/2005-01/2006
- Environmental Action: 05/2005-10/2005
- Equal Rights Campaign: 08/2004-11/2004

### **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

- Western Business College: Associate of Applied Science, Paralegal Studies- 2002-004
- Western Oregon University: Bachelor of Science, Political Science-1995-2000

#### PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:

- President of the Western Business College Law Club, 06/2004-09/2004
- Western Oregon University Student Senate, 08/1999-01/2000
- Western Oregon University Model United Nations, 08/1998-01/2000

My name is Richard Allen and I am running for city council. I believe in the integrity and the progressive nature of Hillsboro. I want to continue this progressive nature both commercially and environmentally. I want a Hillsboro that will withstand the passage of time and still show our progressive nature. Together we can bring a Hillsboro that has a lot of industries and is still environmentally friendly. I want to continue the traditions that Hillsboro has always enjoyed and to bring our great city not only to the 21st century but also beyond. I want to thank you for your time and I hope that you share the same vision of Hillsboro that I have. Together we can make that vision a reality.

(This information furnished by Richard Allen)

## City Council, Ward 3, Position A



## Doug Johnson

**OCCUPATION:** Registered pharmacist. Owner of Hillsboro Pharmacy. Hillsboro City Councilor

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Pharmacist and small business owner in downtown Hillsboro for twenty-nine years

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Pharmacy degree, minor in

business, University of Washington

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Hillsboro City Councilor, 2003-2006; City of Hillsboro Plaza Design Committee

**FAMILY:** Wife Beverly and children, Aaron and Amy and son-in-law Casey O'Brien

#### Re-elect Doug Johnson

Doug Johnson believes that the challenge of city government is to honor Hillsboro's agricultural heritage, while fostering clean and community-conscious new industry which will nourish the healthy and inevitable growth of our city.

Hillsboro has always had a friendly, hometown atmosphere, and Doug is proud of the contributions that his pharmacy and his service on the City Council have made to the unique character of Hillsboro.

### **COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE:**

- Founder and Past President, Hillsboro Downtown Business Association
- Founding Member, Hillsboro Tuesday Market Board
- Recipient, Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year Award, 2006
- Member of Hillsboro Vision 20/20 Implementation Committee
- Past President, Washington County Library Advisory Board
- Past Director, Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce
- Member of Hillsboro Library Board
- Chairperson, Tuality Putt and Pray Golf Tournament, supporting Tuality Community Hospital chaplaincy

## **ENDORSEMENTS:**

Tom Hughes, Mayor of Hillsboro Gordon Faber, Hillsboro Mayor 1992-2000 Shirley Huffman, Hillsboro Mayor 1984-1992 Jim Darr, Hillsboro Mayor 1976-1984 Ed Dennis, City Councilor Darell Lumaco, Chair, Hillsboro Parks Commission Dick Stenson

(This information furnished by Re-elect Doug Johnson Committee)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

# CITY OF KING CITY

## **City Council**

# Ron E. Shay

**OCCUPATION: Retired** 

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OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:

34 years with Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. (Initially Game Commission, Wildlife Commission)

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**Beaverton High School; B.S.
Oregon State College; Graduate School, University of Southern

California; M.S. Portland State University

**PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:** State of Oregon, 34 years; King City Council 2003 - current; Citizen's Advisory Board, Clean Water Services; Metro Area Communications Commission 2003-current.

(This information furnished by Ron E. Shav)

## City Council



# Brenda M. Wilkinson

**OCCUPATION: Retired** 

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Clinical Laboratory Scientist, Oregon Health Sciences University; Research Associate, Oregon Health Sciences University and VA Medical Center; Part-time Laboratory Technologist, Northwest Cancer

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Registered Medical Technologist (American Society of Clinical Pathologist), 1962; BS, Medical Technology, U of O (Eugene), 1961; BS, Natural Sciences, Pacific University, 1960; Graduate of Portland Public Schools

Specialists

**PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:** Council Appointee, King City, June 2006 - present

My husband and I, both native Oregonians, moved to King City 13 years ago and became interested early on in the workings and development of our city and its governance.

Issues that I believe need attention are:

- Improving infrastructure, particularly our deteriorating streets
- · Finding new sources of revenue for the city
- Education geared toward understanding the demographics of our blended and unique community
- Continuing to maintain the essence and the flavor of the original portion of King City that began 40 years ago and at the same time, helping the city as a whole continue to be a viable and modern Metro area city
- Supporting the development of a lasting social services program for the citizens of King City

I want to make a difference to the city with my organizational skills gathered during the 35-plus years of working in a hospital setting where consideration and attention to detail is crucial. In my work, being aware and sensitive to patients concerns was as important as the procedures involved in their care. Likewise, the constituents of this city should be afforded that same consideration. Listening is an important task in truly representing the feelings of the people of our city. As a City Councilor I will continue to work diligently in the best interests of all citizens of King City.

Statements of Endorsement:

Chuck Faes, Mayor, King City Ron Shay, Council President, King City Jim Gates, Councilor, King City Sam Locklin, Councilor, King City Dick Winn, Councilor, King City

(This information furnished by Brenda M. Wilkinson)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

# **CITY OF NORTH PLAINS**

## **City Council**



# Jennifer E. Reh

OCCUPATION: Student
OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** High School Graduate 2006

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: North Plains Budget Committee

After spending many years volunteering in our community, I continually look for new ways to help out. I started my volunteer life with CCI Kids (Committee for Citizen Involvement). Since then, I was appointed to the North Plains Budget Committee in 2006. I have helped at the City Wide Clean-up, ice cream socials, and at the Summer Reading Program Party. This last summer I spent most of my time at the North Plains Public Library, filling in so it could stay open. I have enjoyed all these opportunities, and the chance to give back to my community. Being elected to the City Council will allow me to continue my efforts to improve North Plains. And because of my young age I bring something to the council that no one else does: a better understanding of the youth of this town. My hard working attitude and striving for excellence makes me an excellent choice for this position.

(This information furnished by Jennifer E. Reh)

## **City Council**

# No Photo Submitted

# Thomas Reh

**OCCUPATION:** IT Manager Intel

Corp.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Intel Corp.; 9 1/2 years IT management and project

management; IT management PSC Inc.; 5 years running a data center providing world wide services for 7 countries Computer Operations Fingerhut Corp. Minn.; 5 years Computer

Operations

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** B. S. Northwest Christian College; Eugene, OR; A.A. Christ for the Nations; Dallas, Tx; A.A. Computer Programming; St. Cloud, Minn.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: North Plains City Councilor; North Plains new library project steering committee Technical Lead; North Plains Library Board Chair; North Plains Committee for Citizens Involvement Chair

I have been a citizen of North Plains for 9 1/2 years. My family and I have been volunteering extensively since moving to North Plains because we care deeply about the people and the town. I believe North Plains is a vital community with a bright future. It will be critical that sound analysis and thinking are provided as we plan for the future of North Plains. I have been on the City Council the past 3 1/2 years and proven that I can provide expertise needed to successfully fill the position.

(This information furnished by Thomas Reh)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

# CITY OF NORTH PLAINS

# **CITY OF SHERWOOD**

## **City Council**



# David E. Smith

**OCCUPATION:** I am a ten year General Contractor located in North Plains.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: General Manager Ace Glass Inc. and, Sales Manager Kinney Shoe Corp.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Attended Bend Senior High School. Attended U.S. Air

Force basic, specialist and NCO training schools. Attended Community College of the Air Force (Arizona State and Cal-State overseas extensions). Attended Central Oregon Community College (ongoing education). LaSalle University (off campus degree program extension). Attended South Western Oregon Community College (ongoing education). Attended Portland Community College (licensure and extension classes).

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: I am currently serving on the North Plains Planning Commission and the Oregon Department of Transportation SWG Advisory panel for the upcoming Glencoe Overpass project. As a Commissioner I have worked to make sure that "growth equals improvement" and been exposed to how the City works by legislating for more Community Involment programs and improvements to the Zoning and Development Codes. I have been involved in testifying before the City Council to insure that the City might work better with what resources it has available and have worked to write new ordinances which will help protect the character of North Plains in the future. As one of the City's representative advisors on the Glencoe Overpass project I have worked to protect the residents of North Plains' and its commercial interest and improve our access to Highway 26.

I am happily married and have one child still living at home. I am an Air Force Veteran and have served my country over-seas

North Plains is my home and I hope to help it remain a good place to raise children by controlling growth and requiring quality and improvement in every decision the City of North Plains makes.

(This information furnished by David E. Smith)

## Mayor



# Keith S. Mays

**OCCUPATION:** Vice President, Electronic Wood Systems, International

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Sales/Marketing/Operations/ Credit Manager

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** B.S., Linfield College

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: 2005-present:

Sherwood Mayor; 2001-2005: Sherwood City Council President; Budget Committee; Urban Renewal Board; YMCA Executive Board; 2003+: various Washington County Committees; 2001-2003: Raindrops to Refuge Board; Liaison, Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge; 1999-2001: Vice-Chair, Sherwood Planning Commission;

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:** Sherwood Rotary Club; Trustee, Columbia-Willamette YMCA; Sherwood Public Library Foundation; Friends of the Refuge.

I moved to Sherwood in 1996 because of its sense of community and family atmosphere. It has been a privilege serving Sherwood in some fashion for the past eight years and as your Mayor for the past two. As always, I am committed to preserving the best of Sherwood. Adequate transportation must be a priority along with parks, ball fields, open space/trail/refuge system, supporting festivals/cultural arts, preserve Old Town while we redevelop, manage development/growth, good planning, expand school district partnership, and maximize each tax dollar.

Upon re-election, I look forward to continuing to work toward solutions and finding opportunities for Sherwood. This is possible only with hard work and good communication between City Councilors, City Staff, our many board and commission members, our community partners (Sherwood School District, Chamber of Commerce, neighborhood HOAs, YMCA, Rotary, Refuge, sports leagues, Historical Society, Elks, American Legion, and our growing Churches), and our regional government partners.

# Some of the issues I expect will be paramount over the next two years:

A sustainable financial model for city government; encourage more business development; in Old Town Cannery area; build Adams to Old Town; rebuild Pine; repair Sunset and Sherwood Blvds.; Old Town streets phase two; assist School District with post election needs; prioritize/plan/build more park/trail facilities; reach agreement or not on I-5/99W road project; and master plan UGB Area 54-55.

HELP ME KEEP SHERWOOD A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE AND WORK.

Thank You.

(This information furnished by Keith Mays For Mayor of Sherwood)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

# **CITY OF SHERWOOD**

## **City Council**



# Irene A. Baker

**OCCUPATION:** Retired – Community Volunteer

OCCUPATIONAL
BACKGROUND: Worked for
Tektronix/Xerox for 26 Years

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Soda Springs High School - Extension classes - Marylhurst College

#### PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: NONE

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:** Member of: OASIS - Through that organization, I have tutored at Archer Glen for the last three years; Sherwood Historical Society, Sherwood YMCA, Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge

#### MY GOALS FOR SHERWOOD:

- To preserve our history, and remember Old Town is the foundation on which we continue to build.
- To make sure the Senior Center has the funds and operation expenses to maintain its community outreach programs.
- To work as a team with the school district to ensure that we have adequate schools, support for the teachers and staff to provide the education to which our children are entitled
- To make sure we have the infrastructure to support future development. We need to bring more jobs into Sherwood to support the growth we have, otherwise, it may become to expensive to live here.
- To support the Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge and maintain and support our green space and Parks and Recreation Board.
- To support the Historical Society and Museum and the Cultural Arts organization.

#### WHY I AM RUNNING FOR CITY COUNCIL

My son Dustin and I have lived in Oregon, since 1976 and Sherwood for the last six years. We moved to Sherwood for the beauty and the ambiance that we enjoyed on every trip we made to Sherwood. I want to maintain the "small town atmosphere" that continues to draw people to our city.

I think we have forgotten that we must ALL work together as a cohesive group to keep Sherwood liveable. The greater Sherwood area shows exciting growth that must be managed carefully so that all areas of the city are represented fairly.

I want to have a voice in those decisions and give back to the community that I love.

Endorsed by: The Sherwood Historical Society Charles L. Hoar

(This information furnished by Irene A. Baker)

## **City Council**



# Dennis M. Durrell

**OCCUPATION:** Project Manager, Kinetic Systems Inc. 1995-2006

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Project Management / Engineering

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** B.S. Finance, Portland State University

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: City Councilor, 2000-2004; Council President, 2005-2006

After almost six years as a City Councilor and President, I have been directly involved with many great additions to our city, including: a new library, new regional park, new police station, new roads, and the redevelopment of Old Town. I'm proud to say that every major project initiated since I've taken office had been completed on time and on budget. The key to this success has been consistent leadership and the development of a seasoned and professional city staff. I plan to continue this tradition via the following:

- Minimizing Taxes: I will continue to reduce costs without reducing services. I will also continue my work toward improving our business and job environment.
- Improving Traffic Flow: I will continue to support the construction and improvement of roads that benefit our citizens.
   I will continue to require development to pay for the cost of supporting new homes.
- Managing Growth: Metro may decide where we grow, but I will lead the city toward smart growth. Quality construction, ample connectivity, open space for parks and wisely located businesses are all key elements of my leadership plan.
- Supporting our Partners: I will continue to support our relationships with our partners at the School District, Library Cooperative and TVF&R.

I am excited by the challenges and opportunities that Sherwood will experience in the next four years. I look forward to applying my experience and vision to continue our tradition of greatness.

ENDORSEMENTS: Ron Kachergius-Past President Sherwood Chamber, Past President Woodhaven HOA, Lee Weislogel-SURPAC Chair, Susie Cottle, Keith Mays-Mayor of Sherwood, Mark Bateman-Budget Committee Vice Chair, Douglas Pedersen-Former Sherwood Village HOA Pres, Sarah Sambuceto - Miller's Landing Resident, Dr. Brenda Bateman-SURPAC Member, Lauri Woolard-Hopkins Elementary Parent, Jim Haynes-Treasurer, Doing Good for Sherwood.

(This information furnished by Dennis M. Durrell)

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# **CITY OF SHERWOOD**

## **City Council**



# David Grant

OCCUPATION: Sherwood Dance Academy, Industrial Sales Company; Sherwood Chamber of Commerce Member

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Mechanical Engineer 1983-1995.

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** OSU, B.S. Mechanical Engineering, 1983

#### PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL

**EXPERIENCE:** Sherwood City Council 2002-2006. Liaison, Cultural Arts Commission

I moved to Sherwood with my family thirteen years ago. We chose Sherwood because it had everything that we wanted; good schools and a quiet, "off the beaten path" hometown feel. People still come to Sherwood for those same reasons.

We have watched Sherwood change dramatically over the years. Our kids attend schools that perform among the best in the State but struggle to keep up with growth and overcrowded streets make getting to and from Sherwood much more difficult than it used to be. Old Town has faced big changes. And more changes are coming that could either destroy its charm or transform it into a gem that we will all be proud to call home. We must continue to manage growth wisely so that the new roads and neighborhoods benefit everyone, not just the developers.

- We must preserve Old Town. It's not just the buildings but the eclectic look and feel that we all understand even if we can't describe it
- We must continue to expand our parks system with new parks and further upgrades to the ones we have.
- City Council and the School Board must continue to work together with the common goal of providing the best possible schools.

The changes in Sherwood will continue to come. I'm offering the leadership and energy that it will take to manage the changes so that we all benefit.

#### **Endorsements:**

Robyn Folsom, Chair, Sherwood Cultural Arts Comm. Sterling Fox, Former City Councilor Ron Kachergius, Past Chamber of Commerce President Susie Cottle

Kevin Henry, School Board Member

(This information furnished by David Grant)

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## **City Council**



# David Heironimus

**OCCUPATION:** Owner of an insurance agency located in Old Town Sherwood

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Small Business owner

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** B.S. in Finance from University of Oregon

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: City Councilor Jan

**2001-present;** Past President of the Sherwood Chamber of Commerce; Original Chair of the Sherwood YMCA Board of Managers – original member of the citizen's focus group that brought YMCA to reality.

Since 1996, my wife, kids and I have enjoyed living & working in such a great community. Very important issues face Sherwood over the next few years involving growth management issues (water, traffic, schools) and we need a pro-active LEADER that can ask the tough questions and demand accountability.

My opponent (Durrell) <u>voted for one of the largest water rate</u> increases in Sherwood history with NO plan in place. Durrell also voted for the Woodhaven Crossing condos, which 'gave away' jobs producing land (office commercial zoning) for high density residential condos, which added dozens of unexpected kids to the <u>already overcrowded classrooms</u> of Sherwood. <u>Is this the kind of</u> vision we need?

#### My goals for Sherwood's future:

- Expand/improve the parks and recreation opportunities in Sherwood for kids/families, including finishing Woodhaven Park and expanding youth & adult programs. Create more open space/trails, partner with the Refuge, and add a dog park.
- Fully fund the Sherwood Senior Center and Library; expand the Cultural Arts.
- Continue to partner with the school district to improve their ability to provide continued quality education for our children and <u>reduce</u> class size.
- Improve transportation infrastructure improve streets & reduce congestion without breaking the bank.
- Improve communication with citizens, fiscal responsibility; maintain our safe streets with a strong police force.

For more information, please visit www.dave4council.com

Thank you for your consideration and I ask for your continued support by voting to re-elect Dave Heironimus to the City Council.

**Endorsements:** 

Linda Henderson, Sherwood City Councilor, 2005-present Dan King, Sherwood City Councilor, 2005-present

(This information furnished by David Heironimus)

# **CITY OF SHERWOOD**

## **City Council**



# Michele Howard

**OCCUPATION:** Parent and Community Volunteer

**OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Department store supervisor; training supervisor; office assistant.

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Business Management, PCC

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: NONE

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:** Co-President Moms Club of Sherwood East, member since 2002; Cub Scout Den Leader, 2004-2006; parent volunteer Middleton Elementary since 2003

Sherwood has seen incredible growth during the past five years. As a member of the community since 2000, my family and I have seen big and small businesses open shop in Sherwood. There is little doubt our community is growing. With this growth, the necessity for a strong City Council capable of offering a fresh look at the challenges we face while continually addressing the quality of life we have come to enjoy is vital.

As a mother of two young boys and an active participant in our community, I will offer the fresh perspective necessary for our community to continue to thrive. I've been an active member of MOMS Club of Sherwood since 2002, a continuous parent volunteer at my sons' school and a Cub Scout Den Leader with my husband, Daron.

In order to make informed decision about our community, we need pertinent and readily available information. I plan to help make the decisions facing Sherwood City Council and the community more clear to Sherwood's residents, so when the time comes, each resident can make confident decisions concerning our community. I believe that the education of our children is vitally important to Sherwood's future, and I will work with the School District to ensure the best possible outcome for our kids.

As a member of the City Council, I will focus on:

- Better growth management of housing and business development in our community
- Continued development of Parks and Recreation programs for all residents
- Greater accountability of the City on how and where our tax dollars are used
- · More equitable representation for all who live in our community
- Greater support of our Senior Center and the community services offered

www.michele4council.com

(This information furnished by Michele Howard)

## **City Council**



# Lee D. Weislogel

**OCCUPATION:** Retired

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Vice President, PacifiCorp/Pacific

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** B.S. Iowa State University, M.S. University of Washington

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: City of Sherwood – City Council, Planning Commission,

Present Chair of Sherwood Urban Renewal Planning Advisory Committee, Interim City Manager, Public Works Director, Parks Board Administration, & Regional Water Providers Consortium; Tualatin Valley Water District – Special Projects Coordinator; U.S. Naval Officer

#### **GETS THE JOB DONE**

- · Sports Fields, Field House
- Police Station
- Civic Building & Library
- Old Town Streetscape Improvements
- Snyder, Stella Olsen, & Woodhaven Parks
- School District City Cooperation

#### PART OF THE COMMUNITY

Youth leader for 20 years, Little League baseball coach, YMCA youth basketball coach, volunteer counselor and Board Chair of an international non-profit organization, and present Charter School Board Chair

#### **SUMMARY**

Demonstrated performance in working together to solve problems Extensive professional experience and 11 years in leadership with Sherwood City government

Sherwood parents support Lee because of his commitment to family values & priorities. He cares about kids and people of all ages. Lee & wife, Elsa Jane, have 4 children and 8 grandchildren.

### VISION FOR THE FUTURE

In Sherwood there is a delicate balance between the old and new. Growth management is key to our sustained livability and community. By expanding our economic development, supporting our schools and small town ideas, sustaining city government and continuing our support of the parks, Sherwood will be a place we can all proudly call home. Together, we can build a bright future for Sherwood.

#### **ENDORSEMENTS**

The following Sherwood parents and leaders endorse Lee Weislogel: Keith Mays – Sherwood Mayor; Dennis Durrell – Council President, City of Sherwood; Dave Grant – Councilor, City of Sherwood; Dave Luman – City Councilor; Douglas Pederson – Former President, Sherwood Village HOA; Susie Cottle, Mom; Cam Durrell – Sports Mentor; Adrian Emery – Planning Commission Chair; Sterling Fox – Former City Councilor; Alice & Julian Thornton – Festivals; Mary Merriman – Old Town; Kevin Henry – Sherwood School Board; Charles Harbick – Old Town; Patrick Allen; and Chris Wiley – Former City Recorder.

(This information furnished by Lee D. Weislogel)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

# **CITY OF TIGARD**

### Mayor



# Craig E. Dirksen

**OCCUPATION:** Project Manager, Columbia Machine, Inc.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Engineer

**EDUCATIONAL** 

BACKGROUND: Klickitat High School, Klickitat, WA 1970; AAS Mechanical Engineering, Clark College, Vancouver, WA 1974.

#### PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL

**EXPERIENCE:** Tigard City Council, 2001-2004, City Council President 2003, Tigard Mayor 2004–Present.

I have enjoyed being your mayor and want to continue in that role for the next four years. My priorities for the next four years will be:

- Finish the updated Comprehensive Plan
- Successful urban renewal district making the Downtown Tigard Redevelopment Plan a reality
- Transportation projects to improve traffic on 99W
- Commuter Rail line through Tigard now under construction
- Securing a permanent water source
- Continue our current program of identifying and purchasing open space for more parks and trails
- Complete the Skate park
- Work with TriMet to improve public transportation service in Tigard

Our city's future is at the brink of exciting and challenging times. I want to continue to be a part of this challenge and hope you will vote for me for mayor.

#### RE-ELECT CRAIG DIRKSEN MAYOR!

(This information furnished by Re-Elect Craig Dirksen)

## City Council



# Gretchen E. Buehner

**OCCUPATION:** Real Estate Attorney

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Attorney, 1981-present; self employed 1987-present; Research Assoc, Dermatology, U. of O. Med. School; 1975-78

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: J.D., Lewis and

Clark Law School, 1981; Graduate Study, Portland St. U., 1972-74; BA, Mills College, 1972

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Tigard Planning Commission, 2002-present; City Center Advisory Commission, 2005-present; Transportation Financing Strati. Task Force, 2004- present; Board Member, Tigard Water Board, 1997-2001; Tigard Visioning Task Force, 1997- present; Washington County Transportation CAC, 2000-02; Chair, Citizen Participating Organization, 2001-present; Various committees, City of Tigard, 2001-present

The primary task facing the City Council over the next four years is to carry out the Vision as created by citizens on the Visioning Task Force over the last nine years. Planning for where and how growth will occur is critical. As a City Council member, the City must address the following issues:

- 1. Complete the Comprehensive Plan Update. Working with the Planning Commission, the Plan update will set new policy for setting aside new green spaces and parks, addresses transportation issues, provides a regulatory framework for planned improvements in the Tigard Downtown Plan and urban renewal district and evaluates density all over the City. It also plans for new commercial areas, development near Washington Square, and public involvement in the process.
- 2. Continue work on getting a reliable long term water source for Tigard.
- 3 Maintain financial stability to support the above tasks.

As a member of many local commissions, task forces and committees,. I have been actively involved in the community for many years. The Council needs a member with extensive real estate and land use experience, such as myself, to handle the major planning decisions it will face during the next four years. I bring that experience.

(This information furnished by Gretchen E. Buehner)

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# **CITY OF TIGARD**

## **City Council**



# Joshua Chaney

**OCCUPATION:** EDI Coordinator.

### OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: I

monitor an e-commerce data server that handles invoice transactions for automotive glass shops. I have been at my current job for 8 years.

### **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

Earned Network and Computer Technology diploma. Earned Information Assurance Security

Officer Certificate from the U.S. Army. I am currently a student in an Information Technology degree program. Member of the Alpha Beta Kappa Honor Society. Member of Civil Air Patrol.

**PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:** I was a member of the Tigard Downtown Task force. Elected Precinct Committeeperson.

#### Joshua Chaney For Tigard City Council

I stand for strong neighborhood character, quality public services, and fiscal responsibility.

The projects that I am most concerned with:

#### Traffic issues on highway 99

Our traffic problems within the city limits are extensive. I know that they are a major concern for our residents. I plan to work with TriMet, and ODOT to do everything the City Counsel can to make major improvements.

### Promote a strong local economy

We should be attracting new businesses to help better Tigard, yet retaining the businesses we already have. Our Downtown Renewal project will help stimulate our local economy.

### **Tigard's Environment**

This is an exciting time for us; together we can improve our

I support the Metro Green spaces bond measure. I also support the Goal 5 program and I believe it is important to protect our natural areas.

No matter what issues our city may face, listening to public concern will always be my most important job. I will approach every issue with honesty and integrity and ensure you have a voice in your local government.

(This information furnished by Joshua Chaney)

## **City Council**



# Sydney L. Sherwood

**OCCUPATION:** Executive Director, Good Neighbor Center

#### OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Former business owner (11 years), Community Relations Specialist

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**University of Montana, Portland
Community College AA Degree

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Tigard Water District;

Washington County Housing Advisory Board 7 years, Tigard Budget Committee 6 years, Tigard City Council 2002 - 2006

FAMILY: Three grown sons

**VOLUNTEER BACKGROUND:** Tigard First Citizen – 1995, Past President and current membership in the following: Rotary Club of Tigard – 19 years, Tigard Chamber of Commerce – 24 years. Other boards: Tigard-Tualatin Schools Foundation Board – 11 years; Blue Ribbon Housing Advisory Board – 1 year

Sydney Sherwood - A Great Choice for Tigard!

It has been exciting and challenging during my four years on the City Council. Although a voluntary position, I take the job seriously. My primary goals for the next four years:

- Make sure our tax dollars are spent wisely and on priority
  services.
- Continue the exciting redevelopment of our Downtown area, implementing the <u>citizen's</u> plan
- Complete revisions and updates to our Comprehensive Land Use Plan...we need to assure livability of our existing neighborhoods as we grow
- Identify and secure a long-term drinking water supply for the community
- Work with State transportation officials, the County and others to reduce traffic congestions on Hwy 99W and local arterials

Tigard has been my home for 34 years. I know our community and have experience in resolving its challenges. I would appreciate your vote!

RE-ELECT SYDNEY SHERWOOD, TIGARD CITY COUNCIL!!

(This information furnished by Sydney L. Sherwood)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

# **CITY OF TUALATIN**

## City Council, Position 3



# Frank **Bubenik**

**OCCUPATION:** Small business owner

### OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: U.S. Army Officer; Programmer/

Analyst; Information Technology Consultant

#### **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** B.S., Criminal Justice, Rochester Institute of Technology; M.B.A.,

SUNY at Albany.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Tualatin Library Advisory Committee, 11/04 to present, chairperson 11/05 to present; Tualatin Tomorrow Steering Committee, co-chairperson, 2/06 to present.

#### "MANAGING THE FUTURE"

My goals:

- TRANSPORTATION: Maintenance and improvement of our roads is critical to bettering our quality of life and fostering economic development. I support the construction of the I5 to 99W Bypass and will ensure that it does not negatively impact residents in the southern section of the city. If the bypass is not built, then I will work with neighboring cities to create an alternative that will decrease the amount of through traffic through our core.

  CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT: I will encourage citizen involvement in
- resolving community issues and welcome citizens to voice concerns to city staff and the city council. I want to empower neighborhoods to develop plans which make sure the city's growth does not negatively impact their quality of life.
- **GOVERNMENT RELATIONS:** Regional growth necessitates fostering mutually beneficial relationships with surrounding cities. I will work with the state, county, and Metro but insist that our community's concerns are heard and addressed.
- PARKS AND BEAUTIFICATION: Improve and expand our parks and natural spaces, so that they continue to be the best in the region. Continue to improve the appearance of our city with such things as decorative landscaping, tree plantings, street side planters, and public art.

#### My priorities:

- Maintain mix of industrial, retail, and services firms in the city
- Continue to use Bull Run Reservoir for water source.
- Plan growth without affecting neighborhood livability.

#### **ENDORSEMENTS:**

Lou Ogden, Mayor of Tualatin Jay Harris, Tualatin City Council Mike Gillespie, Tualatin City Councilor Chris Barhyte, Tualatin City Councilor

Monique Beikman, Co-Chair Tualatin Tomorrow Steering Committee

Kevin Coleman Tracey J. Coleman Laura E. Baker Ross Baker

Roz Vancil Lynn E. Vancil, retired

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(This information furnished by The Committee to Elect Frank Bubenik)

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## City Council, Position 3



# Donna Maddux

**OCCUPATION:** Assistant Attorney General, Oregon Department of Justice, Criminal Justice Division, Tobacco Compliance Task Force

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Oregon Department of Justice: Assistant Attorney General, Tobacco Compliance Task Force, March 2004 - present; Honor's Attorney, Criminal Justice Divison, September 2003

- February 2004; Honor's Attorney,

Family Law Section, September 2002 - September 2003; Washington County District Attorney's Office, Certified Law Clerk, May 2001 - May 2002; United States District Court, Portland, Oregon, Extern to the Honorable Robert E. Jones, January 2001 – April 2001; AmeriCorps Network Northwest, Training Specialist, October 1998 - August 1999.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Lewis & Clark Law School, J.D. 2002; Indiana University of Pennsylvania, M.A., Higher Education Administration, 1994; West Chester University, B.A., Political Science/Public Administration, 1992.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: See Occupational Background: National Association of Attorneys General, Internet Tobacco Working Group, 2004 - present; Federation of Tax Administrators Tobacco Tax Section, Western States Governor, 2005 - 2006; AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps, 1994-1995.

To best represent our growing city, Tualatin needs a City Council that:

• is truly representative of the community and

- draws from a wide range of experiences and skills.

Representation: Tualatin has added hundreds of new households in the areas south and west of Ibach Park. No council members live in this area. Donna Maddux does and will bring the viewpoint of these neighborhoods to the council.

Experience & Skills: As a prosecutor who works daily with law enforcement and state agencies, Donna Maddux brings an informed public sector perspective to a council that draws primarily from the private sector.

If a truly representative city council with a broad range of skills and experiences is important to you - Donna Maddux is your candidate.

## Statements of Endorsement:

- Ed Truax, Tualatin City Council President
- Chris Bergstrom, Tualatin City Council
- Helen Cain, Past Tualatin City Council, 94' 02'
- Pat Jollota, Councilmember, City of Vancouver

www.maddux4tualatin.com

(This information furnished by Maddux for City Council)

# **CITY OF TUALATIN**

## City Council, Position 1



## Jay **Harris**

**OCCUPATION:** Civil Engineer, Harris - McMonagle Associates

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Civil Engineer, Mark Thomas Company

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Portland State, B.S. Civil Engineering, Sunset High,12th

#### PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:

- •Tualatin City Council 2003-present
- Tualatin Development Commission 2003- present
- •Washington County Consolidated Communications (911) 2003-present
- Washington County Cooperative Library Advisory Board Dec. 04-Jan. 06

#### **Jav Harris**

Continue to improve our City with the leadership and knowledge to solve our local and regional problems

#### Transportation: Reduce traffic congestion

- Completion of the planning/design/construction of the 99W to I-5 bypass to reduce truck and cut through traffic on Tualatin Sherwood Road.
- •Add additional lanes to Tualatin Sherwood Road to 99W. Modify the signal timing for greater throughput.
- •Continue the installation of traffic calming and pedestrian
- friendly projects, especially in school zones.

  •Completion of the Tualatin River Greenway Trail System to provide alternative transportation routes.
- •Work with TriMet to increase ridership on the local bus routes and the future commuter rail line.

#### **Utilities: Plan for the future**

- Complete the aquifer storage and recovery projects to increase our reservoir capacity to avoid future shortages
- •Implementation of the 10-year contract for the Bull Run Reservoir water to maintain low rates.
- Completion of an emergency water supply source via the City of Sherwood.
- Plan and complete regional stormwater quality facilities in older areas of the City.

- Community: Improve the appearance of the City

  •Continue the collector street reverse frontage fencing and landscaping improvements. Improve the landscaping improvements along I-5 in partnership with ODOT.
  - •Installation of entry features at the major entry points into the City to define our community.

    •Continue to work with the police department in graffiti
  - abatement, neighborhood policing, bike and pedestrian
  - Increase the available activities for teens, such as winter sports programs, and programming in the new library teen center.

Re-elect Jay Harris to continue the leadership to enhance Tualatin's future.

Contact: jay@h-mc.com 503-691-8072

Endorsements: Lou Ogden, Mayor Bob Boryska, Councilor Chris Barhyte, Councilor Renee Balsiger Jim Fisher

(This information furnished by Jay Harris)

# Measure No. 34-126

## **BALLOT TITLE**

#### LOCAL OPTION LEVY TO MAINTAIN COUNTYWIDE LIBRARY SERVICES

QUESTION: Shall Washington County maintain countywide library services by levying 17 cents per \$1,000 assessed value for four years, beginning FY2007/08?
This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

**SUMMARY:** This levy would support Cooperative Library Services' member libraries in Banks, Beaverton, Cedar Mill, Cornelius, Forest Grove, Garden Home, Hillsboro, North Plains, Sherwood, Tigard, Tualatin, and West Slope. Approximately 85% of levy funds would be distributed to these libraries, many having experienced service reductions in recent years. The remainder would support central services that link these libraries together.

#### The levy would:

- Maintain current services, avoid additional cuts in hours, books, programs
- Restore open hours at some libraries
- Support annual summer reading programs for children
- Provide literacy programs for preschoolers to increase reading readiness, training for childcare providers regarding literacy activities for young
- Purchase books and materials
- Support outreach to special populations such as homebound residents
- Maintain daily book deliveries between libraries to fill user requests
- Maintain WILInet catalog/website, fund information systems replacement

The levy is a fixed rate of 17 cents per \$1,000 assessed value. A home with average assessed value (not market value) of \$192,000 would pay \$33 in 2007-08.

Estimated revenues for each year of the levy:

\$6,897,586 in 2007-08

\$7,207,978 in 2008-09

\$7,532,337 in 2009-10 \$7,871,292 in 2010-11

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Washington County Cooperative Library Services (WCCLS) has provided funding for public library operations, central support and outreach programs linking together city and community libraries for 30 years.

Measure 34-126 is a four-year local option levy to maintain public library services countywide.

#### Which public libraries would be funded?

The levy would support WCCLS member libraries in Banks, Beaverton, Cedar Mill, Cornelius, Forest Grove, Garden Home, Hillsboro, North Plains, Sherwood, Tigard, Tualatin, and West Slope. Approximately 85% of levy funds would be distributed to these libraries, many having experienced service reductions in recent years. Remaining funds would support central services linking libraries together to serve all residents.

## Why is this levy proposed?

#### Maintain current local library services and avoid additional cuts in hours, book purchases and programs:

- The levy would maintain current local library services through 2011, and allow some libraries to restore previously cut hours. Libraries have reduced services as a result of previous
- funding reductions.
- County funding for libraries in 2005-06 was about the same as it was in 2001-02.

- Levy funding would address projected increases in population and library use. In the past 10 years population has increased 26%, while use of libraries has increased 64%.
- Based on trends, library checkouts are projected to increase 43% during the term of the levy, topping 11.5 million in 2011.
- The levy would also maintain central services that link libraries together such as the shared WILInet catalog/website, and daily book deliveries between libraries to fill user requests.

- Support literacy programs for children:

   Over 17,000 children participate in the annual county wide summer reading program designed to sustain reading retention between school years.
  - Library-based literacy programs for preschoolers increase the number of children entering school "ready to read.

#### Purchase books:

Levy funds would purchase books and other materials that are available to residents through all WCCLS libraries.

#### What would the levy pay for?

#### Maintain public library service levels while meeting projected increases in population and use:

The levy would maintain current services and allow for restoration of selected services at some libraries, namely hours of operation, and purchase of books and other materials (85% of levy, average of \$5.98 million per year).

### Maintain central services and outreach programs that support all WCCLS libraries:

This includes outreach to special populations such as homebound residents, support for summer reading programs, early childhood literacy efforts, and WILInet catalog/website and funding for an information systems replacement (15% of levy, average of \$1 million per year).

### How would this levy affect a homeowner's taxes?

The levy is a fixed-rate of 17 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. Owners of a home with an average assessed value of \$192,000 (not market value) would pay \$33 in 2007-08.

#### What happens if the levy does not pass?

Further reductions in hours and book purchases are likely; current service levels would likely be reduced.

Submitted by: Robert Davis County Administrator

> NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

# Measure No. 34-126

## ARGUMENT FOR

#### A Vote for Measure 34-126 Is A Vote for Libraries

Libraries educate. Libraries entertain. Libraries provide story times for children, recreational reading for adults and creative activities for teenagers. They are the gateway to information in this Information Age. When the Internet became a popular fixture in homes, some said it spelled the end for libraries. But the Tigard Library, like others in Washington County, just became more popular.

Tigard's new library is two years old and is still experiencing unprecedented growth. Last year the number of items checked out grew 17 percent from the previous record-breaking year. As part of the Washington County library cooperative, the Tigard Library receives both city and county funding.

More people are moving into Washington County and using their libraries, but funding for libraries has decreased. For 20 years, we were asked to support our public libraries with three-year serial levies. And we approved them.

In 1998 those levies were eliminated. Library funding became part of the county's general fund, where it competes with other services. As a result, county funding for Tigard has dropped from 70 percent in the late 1990s to only 38 percent last year.

The Tigard Library has closed more hours and reduced some services. It is now open only 55 hours a week, down from a high of 69 hours a week in 2002. As Friends of the Library we have contributed money to help maintain some programs that might otherwise be cut, but we cannot pay for basic operational expenses.

Measure 34-126 would provide funding to help restore hours, programs and services to libraries and maintain existing services. With all that libraries give us, please consider giving something back. If you appreciate summer reading for your children, the ability to order books from any library in Washington County, or to visit your local library when you need to, vote for Measure 34-126.

The Friends of the Tigard Public Library

This Information Furnished By: George Burgess Friends of the Tigard Library

## ARGUMENT FOR

Washington County voters have a wonderful opportunity to maintain and support our countywide library system. Because we don't reach into our pockets to buy an expensive ticket each time we visit our local libraries, it's easy to take this incredible community resource for granted. Our libraries are a hub of access to all kinds of information, entertainment, and help. In Hillsboro, we have the great Shute Park Branch, and we will soon have the beautiful new Main Library on Brookwood Parkway. Library users span our entire community of residents: readers seeking popular novels, students in search of research for school assignments, adults with an eye out for new career opportunities. Our library resources are as varied as our library users. Libraries welcome all county residents, providing a center for community activity.

Library resources must be continually updated, and collections containing timeless items must be preserved. Computer hardware and software must be reviewed and purchased. It takes a staff of committed librarians and support staff to guarantee our libraries continue to provide the services we've come to expect and appreciate. Some of our local libraries have recently reduced hours and days of operation; also, purchases of new materials have slowed, and popular items are not as readily available. These cutbacks were due to the narrow defeat of the WCCLS levy in 2002. Now, we have an opportunity to restore some services and staff and keep our libraries growing.

# Support our Libraries; Protect Our Access to Free Information; Vote YES on 34-126

Mayor Tom Hughes Jimmie Darr Jerry Willey Gordon Faber Rob Harris Shirley Huffman Aron Ćarlson Amy Baker Corinne Bloomfield Nenice Andrews Brenda Herb Doug Johnson Bob Herb Lynn Scheller Barbara Wright **Gayle Hughes** Ed Dennis **Rev Aldrich** Denzil Scheller Steve Callaway Deborah Clarke JoAnn Lumaco **Edith Lippert** Bill Hasan Alison Ebbott Gail Madsen **Brooke Cooper** Mary Ordal Susan Rosenberger Melinda Hevel

This Information Furnished By: Barbara Wright Friends of the Hillsboro Public Library

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# Measure No. 34-126

## **ARGUMENT FOR**

#### PLEASE JOIN US IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE 34-126

Washington County is an exceptional place because of our successful people, growing economy and high quality of life. As elected members of your Board of County Commissioners, we're stewards of those attributes, and we've referred Measure 34-126 to voters because we believe it has the power to impact our future.

Public library service in Washington County is provided through a unique partnership between the County, the cities and non-profit library associations. This system is efficient, effective and heavily relied upon - over the past decade, the county's population has increased 26%, while use of libraries has increased 64%.

Measure 34-126, a 4-year levy, would provide much needed funding for the libraries in 12 communities that comprise the system: Banks, Beaverton, Cedar Mill, Cornelius, Forest Grove, Garden Home, Hillsboro, North Plains, Sherwood, Tigard, Tualatin and West Slope.

We ask you to share in sustaining our libraries by voting YES on Measure 34-126. Libraries help form the foundation of our community, and they're a reason we have succeeding students and flourishing businesses. Just as important, libraries make for informed and engaged citizens, who are essential to democracy and self-governance.

Like great libraries, a strong public safety system is an **investment that pays off** in safe streets, successful kids and growing businesses. So, at this time we also ask voters to consider a public safety levy, Measure 34-127. Help keep Washington County a special place to live and work by supporting these measures.

YES ON OUR FUTURE, YES ON MEASURE 34-126 and MEASURE 34-127.

Washington County Commission Commissioner Tom Brian, Chairman Commissioner Dick Schouten Commissioner John Leeper Commissioner Roy Rogers Commissioner Andy Duyck

This Information Furnished By: John Leeper

## ARGUMENT FOR

Washington County libraries are a community service created by passionate volunteers, nurtured by cities and the county, and enjoyed as a public service by all. From often humble individual library beginnings, our library system has developed into an operation that currently checks out over 20,000 books and materials EVERY DAY. Volunteers continue to contribute time and effort to making our libraries a wonderful value for the dollar – 47 full-time equivalent positions countywide are currently filled by over 2,000 volunteers.

People for Libraries is a grassroots countywide committee advocating for passage of this critical levy to maintain our libraries' services in the face of our county's burgeoning population and skyrocketing library usage. In the last decade, Washington County's population has increased 26% while use of our libraries has increased a whopping 64%! In the meantime, county funding for libraries has remained at 2001-02 levels, and no new operating funds have been approved since 1996.

Our libraries provide centers of community life in the county, and their mission – to provide access for all to the world of books and information – is more important now than ever.

Please join us in voting to maintain services, reading programs for kids, open hours, and book budgets for the next 4 years of county growth. **Join us in voting YES for libraries!** 

Margaret E. Holland, Banks Tony LeMay, Beaverton Nancy Spaulding, Cedar Mill Steven Pearson, Cedar Mill Harry Bodine, Cedar Mill Michael R. Smith, Forest Grove Colleen Winters, Garden Home Robert Winters, Garden Home Library Association Charlie Ringo, State Senator Ryan Deckert, State Senator Mark Hass, State Representative **Edward House** Rob Drake, Mayor of Beaverton Keith Mays, Mayor of Sherwood Craig Dirksen, Mayor of Tigard Sally Harding, Tigard City Council Nick Wilson, Tigard City Council Tom Woodruff, Tigard City Council Sydney Sherwood, Tigard City Council Pete Truax, Forest Grove City Council Patricia Biggs, Tigard Michele Caldwell, Tigard Jean Butcher, West Slope Carl Dyess

This Information Furnished By: Harry Bodine People for Libraries

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# Measure No. 34-126

## ARGUMENT FOR

Washington County is one of the fastest growing counties in the State of Oregon. In the last ten years, the population has grown by 26 percent. In that same time, the use of our libraries has increased 64 percent! By voting YES for libraries, you will keep them open, provide programs for children, and continue increasing the number of books available for Hillsboro, Forest Grove and Banks as well as our entire county.

Help us for the next four years provide funding for our libraries by voting YES on Measure 34-126.

Tom Hughes, Mayor, City of Hillsboro Richard Kidd, Mayor, City of Forest Grove

Nancy Bond

Deena Barrett, Councilor, City of Forest Grove

Russell A. Dondero

Herb Drew

Teri Branstitre, Banks City Council President

Mary E. Easton Christine Fore

Rod Fuiten

Richard Ginsburg

Dana M. Gore

Denise Holmes

Alana Graham

Tom (TJ) Johnston, Councilor, City of Forest Grove

Ruth M. Jones

Paulina Kriebel

Victoria Lowe, Councilor, City of Forest Grove

Kathleen M. Mandis

Camille Miller

Michael M. Moore

Jeannine Murrell

Paul Sansone

Linda Saari

Susan Schubothe

Michael R. Smith

Michael R. Steele

Ron Thompson, Councilor, City of Forest Grove Peter Truax, Councilor, City of Forest Grove Elena Uhing, Councilor, City of Forest Grove

Susan S. Vosburg

This Information Furnished By: Peter Truax

## ARGUMENT FOR

### YES TO LIBRARIES, YES ON MEASURE 34-126. PUBLIC LIBRARIES ARE VITAL TO OUR COMMUNITY.

Our public libraries:

- Are cost-effective information providers
- Contribute to the local economy and support a democratic society
- Promote literacy while enriching children and students
- Advance lifelong learning and help bridge the digital

#### **OUR COUNTYWIDE LIBRARY SYSTEM NEEDS NEW** RESOURCES.

- Library funding in 2005 was about the same as it was in 2001, and services have already been pared back due to these budget pressures.
- Without passage of Measure 34-126, additional reductions in hours, book purchases and educational programs are likely.
- Our citizens are relying more on libraries, with checkouts projected to increase 43% in the years ahead and topping 11.5 million by 2011.

#### MEASURE 34-126 IS CRITICAL TO OUR LIBRARIES AND **DESERVES YOUR SUPPORT!**

- It will bring operating funds needed to ensure we get the best return on our investments in new or expanded library facilities. After the new Beaverton City Library opened in 2000, visits increased 35% and circulation increased 20%. Hours of operation and quality of collections must keep pace with library use.
- It will enable libraries to update their collections and keep current open-hours, meaning they can continue to help improve students' performance in school. Libraries play an important support role in educating youth by working with teachers, providing educational materials and offering additional places for kids to study and learn

Libraries make a difference. Libraries transform lives. YES TO LIBRARIES, YES ON MEASURE 34-126.

Rob Drake, Mayor of Beaverton Beaverton City Councilors: Cathy Stanton, President Catherine Arnold Betty Bode Bruce Dalrymple Dennis Doyle

Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce Beaverton City Library Advisory Board **Beaverton Library Foundation** New Friends of the Beaverton City Library

This Information Furnished By: Rob Drake

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# Measure No. 34-126

## **ARGUMENT FOR**

#### **Cedar Mill Community Library Users**

Cedar Mill residents, you love your library! You borrowed 1,200,000 items last year. You attended 500 programs for children and 178 programs for adults. Your groups used the community room to discuss gardening, home owner's issues and many other interests. You volunteered an amazing 43,000 hours to the library and Second Edition, the resale shop whose proceeds benefit the library. The library is an integral part of your community.

Why should we support the levy?

Cedar Mill residents may wonder why this vote is so critical. The library has operated smoothly on the existing budget for the past four years. Hours of operation were reduced on Friday night, but otherwise, you may not have felt any major inadequacy in library services.

If the levy fails, changes are coming.

Ten years ago, the Cedar Mill Library Board set aside funds in anticipation of building a new, bigger library. Fortunately, the library's landlord agreed to expand the current building, freeing up some to these resources just as the year 2002 levy failed. The library board chose to use these funds to keep the library functioning at its current level of service. These funds are almost depleted. If the levy does not pass, Cedar Mill Library will be closed an additional 10 hours per week. We will need to cut capital equipment purchases, reduce staff, and cut our book budget. This means fewer new books, videos, and other items you use.

How you can help.

Support the levy! For the price of two new books per year, you can help the library maintain and expand its services to meet the needs of its ever-growing population. We are a community of book, music, and video lovers. In order to keep the library a thriving part of our lives, we need to pass the levy. Please vote yes!

Virginia Bruce Ken Findley Dina Gross John Gruher Roy Kim Peter Leonard Nancy Spaulding

This Information Furnished By: Michele Greenwood

## ARGUMENT FOR

#### Vote YES for libraries!

A well-informed citizenry is key to maintaining our democratic heritage. As senior citizens living in Washington County, we are proud of the quality of our lives. Our libraries are part of that quality and serve as centerpieces for learning and entertainment in our various communities. They introduce the young to the world of reading. They nurture all ages with ready access to new and old books and other materials. Librarians are available to guide all of us through burgeoning quantities and variable qualities of information. Special programs and services provide assistance in navigating an ever more complicated informational world. We need to continue to fund our libraries so that they can maintain the same excellent standards of service and resources that we have come to rely on.

Washington County has proposed a levy costing the average taxpayer less than \$1 per week to maintain our library system for the next four years. The demand for library services has outstripped population growth and available resources. Please join us in voting to maintain an invaluable community service.

Victor Atiyeh
Forrest C. Soth
Dorothy E. Lukins
Karen G. Gardner
Pat Bryant
Richard E. Bryant M.D.
Peggi Federspiel, Tualatin
Rita Hammock
Sally Bunnell
Rod Bunnell

This Information Furnished By: Harry Bodine

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# Measure No. 34-126

## ARGUMENT FOR

#### Invest in the future you want.

#### Kids are worth it!

Investing in our community's young children saves money. Studies over the past three decades have shown that for every dollar invested in the care and education of children from birth to age five, taxpayers benefit up to \$13 in increased income, and lower crime, welfare, and remedial educational costs.

#### Books are worth it!

Children who are read to from an early age are more likely to enter school with the pre-literacy skills they need to learn how to read. And reading success is a critical key to success in school and later life.

Research has shown that children who enter school unprepared to learn lag behind in reading at the end of first grade. 70 percent of poor readers in third grade are still poor readers in high school. Investing in early literacy helps more children enter school ready to succeed in reading.

#### Libraries are worth it!

The member libraries in the Washington County Cooperative Library Services provide free programs that are rich in language and literacy experiences for young children.

Our public libraries are the ONLY tax supported community service that offers <u>all</u> families in our community free access to books, music, group programs and literacy support for our preschoolers, their parents and their childcare providers.

This measure will provide library operating funds to maintain children's programs, buy books and provide early literacy information to parents and childcare providers.

Invest wisely. Vote yes on Measure 34-126

Katie Riley Merrily Haas Colette Brown, Oregon Association of Child Care Directors Heidi M. Pronath-Holden, owner of The Friendship Garden Childcare and member of PRO Elaine Bueffel, Young Learners Preschool W. Rafe Flagg, Beaverton Beverly A. Briggs, Ph.D Veronica "Roni" Pham

This information furnished by: Nancy Spaulding

## ARGUMENT FOR

#### Our public libraries support our children's education.

Research has shown that the more children and teens read for fun, the higher their reading skills. Better reading skills correlate with success in school and in life. Other studies have proven a direct link between the number and variety of reading materials in the home and students' reading and school success.

Over 17,000 children and teenagers in Washington County member libraries participated in Summer Reading this year. Through a countywide library card, children and families have access to over one million books, magazines, audio recordings and other materials.

Public libraries are available to everyone and are open during the weekend, evenings and summer when students do not have access to their school libraries. Our county libraries offer homework clubs, librarian assistance with resources for research, and access to a wide array of books to read for fun.

Our libraries are hard-pressed to keep up with the county's growth and escalating use of services. This levy will allow our library system to maintain its current level of service and keep up with the demand for new books and materials.

# Please join us in supporting the best interests of our kids and our community. Vote YES for libraries, Measure 34-126!

Caroline B. Neunzert, Tigard-Tualatin School Board
Art Rutkin, Tigard-Tualatin School Board
Barry Albertson, Tigard Tualatin School Board
Conde Bartlett, Tigard-Tualatin School Board
Trudi L. Sang, M.S., Tigard Playschool
Becky Clark, homeschooling parent
Priscilla Turner, Chair, Beaverton School Board
Karen Cunningham, Beaverton School Board Member
Scot A. Stockwell, Principal, Cedar Mill
Christina Wong, Media Specialist, Beaverton School District

This information furnished by: Jean Butcher

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# Measure No. 34-126

## ARGUMENT FOR

SEIU Local 503, Oregon Public Employees Union Urges a YES vote on Measure 34-126

We support the Washington County Library Levy given the importance libraries play in maintaining healthy, educated communities. The passage of the levy will allow us to:

- Maintain current library hours and avoid more cuts.
- · Support the annual reading programs for kids.
- Fund literacy & pre-literacy programs for pre-school kids.
- Purchase more books and materials that all libraries will be able to access and share.
- Maintain current levels of staffing.

The Levy will help all members of the Library Cooperative in maintaining services at libraries in Banks, Beaverton, Cedar Mill, Cornelius, Forest Grove, Garden Home, Hillsboro, Sherwood, Tanasbourne, Tigard, Tualatin, and West Slope. It will also provide all of us with a space to interact with others in our community, regardless of race, religion, or creed. Finally, it provides the basic materials and services for self-education and intellectual freedom to build a more educated and democratic society.

As a union, we support increased access to the vital public services that sustain our communities.

This Information Furnished By: Tony LeMay, Steward SEIU Local 503, OPEU

# Measure No. 34-127

## **BALLOT TITLE**

# LOCAL OPTION LEVY RENEWAL FOR COUNTYWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY

**QUESTION:** Shall Washington County maintain public safety services by levying 42 cents per \$1,000 assessed value for four years, beginning FY2007/08?

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

**SUMMARY:** Washington County provides public safety services inside and outside cities to combat crimes such as homicide, domestic violence, crimes affecting children, property and methamphetamine crimes.

In 2000, voters approved a local option levy for 43 cents per \$1,000 assessed value to:

- Operate County jail and work release center at full capacity, minimizing early release of offenders
- Prosecute criminals
- Pay for special enforcement teams (including Major Crimes, SWAT, Fraud and Identity Theft) serving all areas of the County
- Support juvenile programs to reduce crime
- Increase supervision of offenders released from jail or prison
- Improve 911 dispatch equipment
- Provide victims' assistance and emergency shelter for women and children who are victims of domestic violence

The 2000 levy expired June 2006.

This measure continues public safety services similar to those authorized by voters in 2000 and at a lower rate, 42 cents per \$1,000.

Typical homeowners would pay \$81 in 2007-2008. Assumes average assessed value (not market value) of \$192,000.

Estimated revenues for each year of levy:

\$17,041,000 in 2007-2008

\$17,808,000 in 2008-2009

\$18,609,000 in 2009-2010

\$19,447,000 in 2010-2011

## **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Washington County provides public safety services inside and outside cities to combat crimes such as homicide, domestic violence, crimes affecting children, property and methamphetamine crimes. The County serves the Cities of Banks, Beaverton, Cornelius, Durham, Forest Grove, Gaston, Hillsboro, King City, North Plains, Sherwood, Tigard, Tualatin, parts of Portland and Wilsonville and the unincorporated neighborhoods and rural areas of Washington County.

### What would this measure do?

Replace an expired public safety levy voters approved in 2000. The original levy with a higher rate, 43 cents per \$1,000 assessed value, was approved by voters in November 2000 and expired in June 2006. This proposed levy is for 42 cents per \$1,000 because the County has determined it can continue approximately the same services at a lower rate.

#### Why is this measure on the ballot?

To continue levy-supported public safety services similar to those authorized by voters in 2000, at a lower tax rate.

# What was done with levy funds voters approved in 2000?

The 2000 levy strengthened public safety services to address increased crime as the County's population grows. Specifically:

 Thirty-one jail deputies and corrections personnel were hired to operate the County jail and work release center at full capacity, minimizing early release of offenders.

- Sixteen prosecutors and justice support personnel were hired to investigate and prosecute crimes including burglaries, identity theft and vandalism in addition to violent crimes
- Fifty-nine law enforcement officers and support personnel were hired including members of special enforcement teams, such as the Major Crimes, SWAT, Fraud and Identity Theft, Gangs and Narcotics teams that serve all areas of the County.
- Three juvenile counselors and justice support personnel were hired to continue juvenile programs to reduce crime.
- Twelve probation and parole officers and justice support personnel were hired to supervise high- and medium-risk offenders after their release from jail or prison.
- Modern 911 emergency communications equipment was purchased to serve all areas of the County.
- A victim assistance specialist was hired and funding provided for emergency shelter for women and children who are victims of domestic violence.

### What would the 2006 levy pay for?

This measure would retain the 122 public safety positions and services (above) authorized by voters in 2000 and provide four additional public safety personnel. This measure would help upgrade 911 emergency communications software and support a special "drug court" reducing repeat offending by placing high-risk drug offenders under intensive court supervision and treatment.

How would property taxes change if this measure passes? Typical homeowners would pay \$81 in the first year of this levy (2007-2008). Assumes average assessed value (not market value) of \$192,000. The tax rate in this measure, 42 cents per \$1,000 assessed value, would be lower than the rate property taxpayers paid in 2005-2006.

#### What if this measure fails?

The 2000 levy provided 17% of County justice system funding. Although public safety would remain a priority, significant reductions in prosecution, law enforcement, supervision and corrections services would be likely, beginning in 2007.

Submitted by: Robert Davis County Administrator

NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

## Measure No. 34-127

#### **ARGUMENT FOR**

## CITY POLICE CHIEFS SUPPORT THE PUBLIC SAFETY LEVY

We are the police chiefs of the cities located in Washington County. This measure funds services <u>already in place</u> that allow our departments to fight crime more effectively in the cities.

- Voting yes ensures that 108 levy-funded beds at the Jail and Community Corrections Center remain open, reducing the number of inmates who are released early due to overcrowding.
- Interagency teams allow city and county law enforcement to pool resources to combat the fastest growing crimes in Washington County such as Meth Distribution, Fraud and Identity Theft, and Gang Violence. This levy continues staffing at the current levels on these countywide teams.
- Levy funds provide Sheriff's Office transport services for East County cities. City officers must travel to Hillsboro to book suspects into the Washington County Jail. This levy funds Sheriff's Office positions to transport these suspects from the cities to the jail, allowing police officers to spend more time patrolling the cities. A single transport from cities in Eastern Washington County can save two or more hours of police officer time in travel alone.
- Levy funds pay for crime scene technicians, fingerprint identification technicians, and criminalists that support both county and city law enforcement. Think about the TV show "CSI". When these forensic positions deploy to gather evidence, examine fingerprints, and process crime scenes, city police officers are made available to answer more calls for service.
- Levy funds continue current staffing levels in the District Attorney's Office. This ensures that more arrested criminals are prosecuted effectively.

## Vote YES to support the Washington County Criminal Justice System.

Beaverton Chief David Bishop Cornelius Chief Paul Rubenstein Forest Grove Chief Glenn VanBlarcom Hillsboro Chief Ron Louie King City Chief Chuck Fessler North Plains Chief Scott Whitehead Sherwood Police Acting Chief Tim Addleman Tigard Police Chief Bill Dickinson Tualatin Police Chief Kent Barker

Endorsements are made personally and not on behalf of any organization.

This Information Furnished By: Glenn VanBlarcom

#### ARGUMENT FOR

**Washington County Chambers of Commerce Partnership** 

n Banks n Beaverton n Cornelius n Forest Grove n Hillsboro n North Plains n Sherwood n Tigard n Tualatin n Wilsonville

Washington County's Public Safety Renewal levy (34-127) is critical to the infrastructure of our community. It is a renewal and, in fact, a renewal at a lower rate. This vital levy is the lynch pin to keeping our complete criminal justice system intact. Renewal of this levy will ensure the continuation of the following:

- Operate the County jail and work release center at full capacity, minimizing early release of offenders.
- Serve all areas of the county with special enforcement teams, prosecutors, probation and parole officers, juvenile counselors and other public safety personnel.
- Provide victims' assistance and emergency shelter for women and children who are victims of domestic violence.

A thriving business environment is a secure one and with the rapid growth of our area, the safety of our businesses, homes, and communities must be a top priority.

Chambers of Commerce throughout Washington County strongly support the Public Safety renewal levy and urge you to vote YES to keep the citizens and businesses within our County safe and our court system effective.

This Information Furnished By: James Haynes Washington County Chambers of Commerce Partnership

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## **Measure No. 34-127**

#### ARGUMENT FOR

## SHERIFF AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY SUPPORT COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY LEVY, Measure 34-127

As Washington County's elected criminal justice leaders we need your help to continue fighting crime successfully in Washington County. Measure 34-127 renews positions that serve every community and citizen in Washington County. A yes vote will continue criminal justice base services that have been in place since 2000. These services include:

Jail – Operating at full capacity. There is only one jail system in the county. The levy allows us to operate at full capacity, funding 108 beds. It has helped reduce forced releases from about 100 a week to less than 5.

Methamphetimine focused enforcement, prosecution, and education programs. Methamphetimine continues to be our number one criminal justice problem in Washington County. With levy funds we will enhance our effective drug court and continue our aggressive enforcement strategies against methamphetamine.

**Prompt and aggressive prosecution.** The District Attorney prosecutes nearly all arrests made by city police agencies and the sheriff's office. The levy funds about 1 of every 7 criminal prosecutions. Targeted special teams have helped reduce property crimes by 13% despite our population growth in Washington County.

**Effective Juvenile Justice programs.** Juvenile crime rates have dropped in our community for the last 8 years. The levy allows us to continue intervention programs with at-risk youth, preventing them from becoming adult criminals.

<u>County-wide special teams.</u> The levy allows the Sheriff to fully support several interagency county-wide enforcement teams including narcotics enforcement, gang teams, a SWAT team, a fraud and ID theft unit, and major crime detectives who investigate homicides and serious assaults.

Temporary shelter for victims of domestic violence.

Without these shelters, women and their children traumatized by domestic violence often have no where to turn. Levy funds help with this program.

Washington County is a safe community. Please help us continue our work by voting yes on Measure 34-127. Priority services offered at a reduced rate.

Rob Gordon Bob Hermann Sheriff District Attorney

This Information Furnished By: Sheriff Rob Gordon District Attorney Bob Herman

#### ARGUMENT FOR

MAYORS of cities in Washington County SUPPORT a STRONG PUBLIC SAFETY SYSTEM and urge a YES vote on MEASURE 34-127.

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY IS ESSENTIAL**

Safe communities are places where kids can focus on learning, parents can build strong families, and businesses can concentrate on growing and creating jobs. **Public Safety is a fundamental part of successful cities,** and directly contributes to the strong economy and high quality of life we so value in our cities and throughout Washington County.

## MEASURE 34-127 IS VITAL TO PUBLIC SAFETY IN OUR CITIES

Funds provided by this levy will continue the work of special law enforcement teams, prosecutors, jail deputies, parole monitors and others at work countywide.

Outcomes of this work include:

- Growing threats like Meth and ID Theft are being targeted by special enforcement teams made up of county and city police.
- Juvenile crime has been significantly reduced over the past decade and continues to be tackled through coordinated intervention efforts by county, city and school district staffs.
- The District Attorney's office is able to swiftly and effectively carry out prosecutions of offenders, including virtually all those arrested by city police agencies.
- The county's only jail is being operated at full capacity, minimizing early release of potentially dangerous offenders due to overcrowding.
- More city police are on the streets due to jail transport deputies who bring those suspected of crimes to jail so city officers can stay on their beats.

Our cities operate great police departments, but we cannot ensure public safety by ourselves. A working countywide public safety system is necessary to ensure our cities stay great places to live and work.

Mayor Craig Dirksen, Tigard Mayor Rob Drake, Beaverton Mayor Tom Hughes, Hillsboro Mayor Richard Kidd, Forest Grove Mayor Rick Lorenz, Gaston Mayor Mike Lyda, Banks Mayor Keith Mays, Sherwood Mayor Lou Ogden, Tualatin Mayor Cheri Olson, North Plains Mayor Terry Rilling, Cornelius

This Information Furnished By: Terry Rilling

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### Measure No. 34-127

#### ARGUMENT FOR

In Washington County many county residents are within one paycheck of being evicted from housing and turning to the Good Neighbor Center (GNC) or one of the other three shelters for help. Domestic violence is a major factor and Washington County has a shelter specifically designated to help women and children flee to a safe environment while they sort out their options with professional help.

The Good Neighbor Center has been operating since 1998 with a large contingent of volunteers that allows the Center to operate at a lower cost per resident. But raising \$200,000 a year is impossible for a group of volunteers. In 2000 the County Commissioners put \$500,000 into the Safety Levy in order to fund three homeless shelters as well as the domestic violence shelter.

The GNC board works with public and private partnerships to help stabilize families. Not only does this help with public safety, but it gives families another chance to have stable homes. The average age of a homeless person is somewhere around 12 years old. The Good Neighbor Center not only has a Children's Program to help get children in to school, but our Housing Stabilization Program has helped over 70 families get in to affordable housing with partnerships from housing providers over the last three years.

Providing shelter keeps families safe and off the streets. Housing families with case management is a great use of resources instead of moving families from shelter to shelter. We support the Levy Renewal for Maintaining Public Safety Countywide Services and hope you will also.

#### **GNC Board**

Steve Schmitt, Chair Dick Roland Dan Larsen Lete C. Davis Dean Williams Patricia N. Biggs Cliff Moulton Scott Mitton James Strickler

This Information Furnished By: Dick Roland, Treasurer Good Neighbor Center

#### ARGUMENT FOR

#### **VOTE YES on 34-127!**

Measure 34-127 is such a refreshing example of sound fiscal management and good planning that the **Washington County Republican Party** has taken the unprecedented step of **endorsing this tax levy.** 

There are three reasons to support public safety by voting ves:

- 1) This levy continues vital law enforcement services with a lower tax rate than the prior one. This is a testament to the good fiscal policy of Washington County. How often does government say "we can do our job with less of your money"?
- 2) Services are county wide and support all our city police partners. One jail, one DA's Office, one interagency drug unit, and one prisoner transport service to help keep local police in district after they make an arrest – they will continue to be effective if this levy is approved.
- 3) The existing levy expired June 30th. The Sheriff and county government have exercised **good financial planning** to bridge this gap. There will be a reduction in services only if this levy does not pass.

This levy is about public safety! Consider this:

- There were 75 meth lab busts in 2003 and only 5 in 2006.
- Early release of prisoners is down from 100 per week to less than 5 per week.
- Arrest are up 53%, and even with rapid population growth, property crimes have decreased 13%.
- The Sheriff has bolstered special inter-agency teams focused on stopping Meth, gangs and ID theft.
- The Sheriff is now fielding criminalists and crime scene technicians for high quality, CSI-like forensic investigations, which are used throughout the county.
- There has been an eight-year downward trend in juvenile crime.

Do you want to:

- · Minimize early release of offenders?
- Strengthen the fight against meth, ID theft and violent crimes?
- Keep enough prosecutors to ensure criminals are actually prosecuted?
- Monitor serious offenders in your community?

Then VOTE YES on 34-127!

This Information Furnished By: Kevin Hoar Washington County Republican Central Committee

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## **Measure No. 34-127**

#### ARGUMENT FOR

As citizens of our community and your front-line public safety responders, we ask you to join us in supporting <u>Measure</u> <u>34-127</u>, the Washington County Public Safety Levy, by voting <u>YES!</u>

We know a strong and robust public safety network means a more livable and attractive community for everyone to enjoy. We want Washington County to continue to be a place people want to live and businesses want to flourish.

Countywide we recognize the importance of holding criminals in our county jail, supervision by parole and probation officers, and combating drugs which create family tragedy in all of our communities. Our community's livability is intimately tied to the effectiveness and efficiency of our public safety resources.

For your public safety resources to be used at their maximum efficiency and effectiveness, each part of the system must be healthy. From the investigators who respond to your residence, to the forensic analysts who process evidence, to the corrections officers who safely monitor offenders, to the probation and parole officers who supervise individuals, and the prosecutors who ensure criminals are legally held accountable for their actions – each part of the system is vital to one another.

We see resources at work for our communities everyday through inter-agency teams fighting drugs such as methamphetamine, fraud and identity theft, as well as gangs and juvenile crime through effective and early intervention. Your public safety professionals take pride in all they do for the community and want to continue their path of success.

Washington County is on the road to increased livability and we want you, with us, to be part of the plan that ensures continued vitality of our community and effective and efficient use of your public safety resources.

Remember to vote YES on Measure 34-127!

Washington County Police Officers Association Beaverton Police Association Forest Grove Police Association Hillsboro Police Officers Association Sherwood Police Officers Association Tigard Police Officers Association Tualatin Police Officers Association Cornelius Police Officers Association

This Information Furnished By: Murray Rau - President Washington County Police Officers Association

#### ARGUMENT FOR

#### PLEASE JOIN US IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE 34-127

Washington County is an exceptional place to live and work because of our **safe streets**, **successful people**, **growing economy and high quality of life**. As elected members of your Board of County Commissioners, we're stewards of those attributes. We've referred Measure 34-127 to voters because we believe it is a significant opportunity to improve our future by sustaining our excellent public safety system.

Measure 34-127, a 4-year levy, **replaces an expired public safety levy** approved by voters in 2000. This measure enables critical services to continue, and does so at a lower tax rate than the previous one. Recently enacted rules on local government finance mean that "local option" levies like this one are often the only way communities ensure vital functions like public safety are adequately funded.

Public safety is fundamental to a peaceful and productive society. As our community grows, threats to our safety and well being – like gang violence, meth abuse, ID theft and juvenile crime – become more numerous and complex. To properly respond, we need to remain committed to effective crime prevention, law enforcement, operation of the county's only jail and rehabilitation of offenders.

Measure 34-127 does that. We believe it warrants your support, and we ask you to join in ensuring our community remains a safe and prosperous place by voting YES.

Like a strong public safety system, great libraries are **an investment that pays off** in safe streets; successful kids and growing businesses. So, at this time we also ask voters to consider a library levy, Measure 34-126. Help keep Washington County a special place to live and work by supporting for these measures.

YES ON OUR FUTURE, YES ON MEASURE 34-127 AND MEASURE 34-126.

Washington County Commission Commissioner Tom Brian, Chairman Commissioner Dick Schouten Commissioner John Leeper Commissioner Roy Rogers Commissioner Andy Duyck

This Information Furnished By: Tom Brian

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## **Measure No. 34-127**

#### ARGUMENT FOR

(The following is a statement from the Washington County Democrats in support of Ballot Measure 34-127.)

The Washington County Democratic Central Committee has unanimously voted to endorse public safety levy Measure 34-127 in the November election. The Committee represents Democrats in Washington County.

The levy would fund numerous county police, jail and support services. It would minimize early release of offenders, would provide special enforcement teams throughout the county and aid prosecutors, probation and parole officers and juvenile counselors. Also assisted would be the program that provides emergency shelter for women and children who are victims of domestic violence. Seventeen percent of the current countywide public safety system, which includes the 122 public safety positions and services authorized by voters in the initial levy in 2000, would be funded by Measure 34-127. The levy would replace the one that expired in June and actually would cost less, by one cent per \$1,000 of assessed value on property. A home assessed at \$192,000 would be charged \$81 in property taxes for this levy in 2007-08.

This Information Furnished By: Bill Kroger Washington County Democratic Central Committee

#### **ARGUMENT FOR**

I support Measure 34-127 and recommend you do the same.

As a small businessperson, I know the reality of tight budgets and hard decisions about how to run an enterprise. I recognize value when I see it, and I do with this levy.

MEASURE 34-127 DOES NOT ASK YOU TO EXPAND GOVERNMENT OR PAY MORE IN TAXES.

Instead, 34-127 asks you to MAINTAIN EXISTING public safety services – specially trained law enforcement teams, experienced prosecuting attorneys, adequate jail beds and effective probation officers – originally approved by voters in 2000. And it does this at a LOWER tax rate than the previous levy. All funds collected are dedicated to **government's #1 job, Public Safety.** 

**34-127** has Bang for the Buck – Serving on the budget committee for Washington County, I know the countywide public safety operation is smart, lean, dedicated, creative, and effective. I've studied this levy and conclude that at \$7 per month for the average household, it offers plenty of bang for the buck

Safe Communities are Good for Business – Keeping taxes low is important, just as having safe, drug-free communities is important. Giving our deputies, cops, prosecutors and others the resources to effectively fight violent crime, gangs, Meth and ID theft makes this a better place to grow businesses and create jobs.

Results Speak Loudly – Because of the work that will be maintained by Measure 34-127, we have less Meth activity, fewer property crimes, more drunk drivers off the road, less juvenile crime and stronger defense against ID theft than we had a few years ago in Washington County. And Measure 34-127 focuses on saving money by preventing juveniles from getting involved in crime, minimizing costly judicial backlogs and rehabilitating criminals to prevent future re-arrests.

Support Measure 34-127 to ensure we keep the same strong public safety services that have given Washington County a great business climate and high quality of life.

Submitted by ... Bob Terry Owner Fisher Farms Nursery

This Information Furnished By: Bob Terry

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## **Measure No. 34-127**

#### ARGUMENT FOR

As judges in Washington County, we feel it is important that you know our criminal justice system is much more than a judge and a courtroom. Washington County public safety services include shelters for domestic violence victims, parole and probation services, the District Attorney and his staff, the juvenile services system, the jail, and the Sheriff's forensic, investigative and law enforcement personnel.

17% of the current countywide public safety system has been funded through a local operating levy that voters approved in 2000.

In this election, you have the opportunity to renew this public safety levy. Over the last five years, this levy has allowed us to:

- Operate the jail and work-release center at capacity, minimizing the early release of offenders.
- Fund interagency enforcement teams (Major Crimes, SWAT, Fraud and ID theft, Gangs and Narcotics).
- Provide support for prosecutors, probation and parole officers, forensic crime scene technicians and other public safety personnel who provide victim's assistance and emergency shelters for women and children who are victims of domestic violence.

The county has determined it can provide the same services at a lower tax rate. This levy is 42 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value, one cent less than voters approved in 2000.

Prior to the passage of this levy in 2000, the direct and indirect effects of methamphetamine on the criminal justice system and in our community were devastating. During the life of this levy, we have seen the entire public safety community collaborate and make great strides toward reducing many of the problems methamphetamine was creating in our community. Therefore, as your judges in Washington County, we urge you to renew the levy by voting "yes" on Measure 34-127.

Washington County Circuit Court Judges
Presiding Judge Thomas W. Kohl
Judge Donald Letourneau
Judge Timothy Alexander
Judge Gayle Nachtigal
Judge Rita Cobb
Judge Steven Price
Judge Jim Fun
Judge Keith Raines
Judge Mark Gardner
Judge Kirsten Thompson
Judge Rick Knopp
Judge Suzanne Upton

This Information Furnished By: Thomas W. Kohl Presiding Judge, 20th Judicial District

Judge Marco Hernandez

#### ARGUMENT FOR

Attorneys at our Firms represent accused in Washington County. Mr. Harris is also the Executive Director of Washington County's largest locally based Public Defense Consortium and Mr. Nachtigal has been representing indigent clients for over twenty years. We receive no funding from the county and will receive no additional funds should Measure 34-127 pass.

#### We urge you to vote for this public safety measure.

34-127's failure will mean unacceptable layoffs in the DA's office, probation department and police agencies. Crime prevention programs will end. This is not a scare tactic conveyed by public employees. It will occur.

Adequate funding of our criminal justice system is imperative in promoting community safety and making sure that "justice" remains a component of our criminal justice system.

#### Failing to pass this measure will increase crime rates.

Fewer police officers means less time to investigate cases and discover all relevant evidence. Mistakes will happen, cases will go unsolved. Offenders will be free to re-offend and innocent people will stay behind bars.

Deputy DA's with larger caseloads won't have time to follow up on cases or talk to defense attorneys and victims in order to make rational sentencing recommendations that further public safety within available resources.

Fewer probation officers leads to inadequate supervision. More offenders will fall back into their old habits, hang out with the same people and again endanger our families. We want probation and parole programs available to help rehabilitate past offenders and eliminate drug and alcohol problems, so that people don't re-offend. We want dangerous offenders closely monitored once they've completed their sentence.

Failure of this measure is more costly than passing it.
Fewer resources for crime prevention, youth programs, early intervention counseling and innovative policing will cost us all. In dollars for newer and bigger jails, and in less livable communities as crime rates increase.

We already have plenty of work. We don't need more.

Robert Harris Fred Nachtigal

This Information Furnished By: Robert Harris

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### Measure No. 34-127

#### **ARGUMENT FOR**

**MEASURE 34-127** continues the success of the pubic safety levy passed in 2000.

YES on MEASURE 34-127 supports proven results!

- Fewer Meth Labs YES on MEASURE 34-127
  continues countywide interagency teams which
  reduced the number of meth labs discovered from 75
  in 2003 to only 5 so far in 2006. Specialized teams
  also attack gang and fraud crimes.
- Less Juvenile Crime YES on MEASURE 34-127 supports counseling, intervention and enforcement efforts that have cut juvenile crime 50% since 1996.
- More Jail Beds YES on MEASURE 34-127 keeps 108 jail and community corrections beds open, reducing early releases and allowing inmates to serve full sentences and complete rehabilitation programs.
- More Prosecutors YES on MEASURE 34-127 continues funding prosecutors to effectively prosecute criminals.
- Innovative Rehabilitation of Offenders YES on MEASURE 34-127 funds less expensive, new probation and parole approaches, preventing past offenders from returning to criminal activity.
- More Local Police on the Street YES on MEASURE 34-127 continues funding of jail transport deputies so local police can stay on their beat instead of bringing criminals to jail.
- Emergency Shelters YES on MEASURE 34-127 continues funding for emergency shelters for women and children who are victims of domestic violence.

Countywide benefit!! MEASURE 34-127 continues the success of the public safety levy for all Washington County residents and businesses.

**Lower rate!! YES on MEASURE 34-127** continues public safety successes at a lower rate than approved in 2000.

Supporters include: Brad Avakian, State Representative Jeff Barker, State Representative Larry Galizio, State Representative Cynthia O'Donnell, Hillsboro City Councilor Desari Caldwell, Washington County Commissioner-Elect Hillsboro Fire Chief Gary Seidel Pete Hardin Hugh O'Donnell Bob Terry James Haynes, Chairman, Washington County Chambers of Commerce Partnership Charlie Bailey, Judicial Candidate Vincent Deguc, Judicial candidate Dominic Biggi, Legislative candidate Suzanne Bonamici, Legislative candidate Joan Draper, Legislative candidate Everett Curry, Legislative candidate

This Information Furnished By: Pat Garrett Citizens for a Safe Community VIEW WASHINGTON COUNTY NOVEMBER 7, 2006 ELECTION RESULTS

Starting at 8:00 P.M.

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### Measure No. 34-129

#### BALLOT TITLE

## INCORPORATE CITY OF BULL MOUNTAIN AND ADOPT PERMANENT RATE LIMIT

**QUESTION:** Shall City of Bull Mountain be created with \$2.84 operating taxes permanent rate limit per \$1000 assessed valuation, starting 2007-2008?

**SUMMARY:** Creates new City of Bull Mountain. City will initially operate under state statutes. Initially, Washington County land use plans and regulations will apply, but not most other county ordinances. City will initially be governed by five-member council elected at this election. City voters may subsequently adopt home rule charter. City council may adopt City ordinances including City land use plans and regulations.

City may levy property taxes up to \$2.84 per \$1000 assessed valuation without further voter approval. Petitioners' economic feasibility study concluded that this rate would generate operating tax revenues sufficient to support an adequate level of municipal services. County does not decide adequacy. If the full authorized tax rate is imposed, it would raise approximately \$2,256,596.75 based on 2006 assessed valuation.

City council will adopt a City budget and decide what services to provide. Special districts will continue to levy taxes or fees and provide water, sewer, fire protection, enhanced sheriff's patrol and local road maintenance. City council may withdraw from any or all of these districts and provide the services.

## General Boundary Description – Proposed City of Bull Mountain

The areas included in the proposed City of Bull Mountain are described generally as:

All unincorporated urban area south of Bull Mountain Road and north of the centerline of Beef Bend Road between the City of Tigard to the east and 139th Avenue to the west. West of 139th Avenue, they are all unincorporated urban areas south of Barrows and Scholls Ferry Roads, and north of the centerline of Beef Bend Road, bordered on the east by the City of Tigard, and the west by the current Urban Growth Boundary.

The proposed city line boundary is described generally as follows (it does not include the "Sunrise Lane annexation" adopted by the City of Tigard by Ordinance No. 2005-19; the Beaverton and Tigard city limits and the Urban Growth Boundary referenced below are those current as of August 8, 2006):

Beginning at the point in which the south line of the "right-of-way" of SW Barrows Road, the Tigard city limit and the Beaverton city limit intersect at the west line of the Bonneville Power Administration "right-of-way"

Then, Travelling west alone the Beaverton city limit until it intersects with the south line of the "right-of-way" of Scholls Ferry Road.

Then, Continuing west along the south line of the "right-of-way" of Scholls Ferry Road until it intersects with the current Urban Growth Boundary (UGB),

Then, Travelling south and east following the UGB Line until that line intersects the Centerline of the "right-of-way" of Beef Bend Road at 150th Avenue,

Then, Travelling east along the centerline of the "rightof-way" of Beef Bend Road to the point where the Tigard city limit along the west line of Tax lot 11600, from Tax Map 2S 1 9 DD, if extended south, would intersect the centerline of the "right-of-way" of Beef Bend Road just west of 128th Avenue,

Then, Travelling north along the Tigard city limit to the point where it intersects the south line of the "right-of-way" of Bull Mountain Road near 133rd Avenue,

Then, Travelling west along the south line of the "right-of-way" of Bull Mountain Road until it again intersects the Tigard city limit at the west line of the "right-of-way" of 139th Avenue,

Then, Following the Tigard city limit west and north until reaching the point of origin at the intersection of the Tigard city limit, the Beaverton city limit, and the south line of the "right-of-way" of Barrows Road at the west line of the Bonneville Power Administration "right-of-way".

#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Measure <u>34 - 129</u> would form a new city within Washington County for the unincorporated community on Bull Mountain. The measure was proposed through a petition signed by residents of the Bull Mountain area. The petition was considered and public input gathered at public hearings held by the Washington County Board of Commissioners. The Board of Commissioners ordered this election according to state law governing the formation of new cities.

Formation of a city will create a local government with authority to make decisions on development and other local issues, subject to state, regional and federal laws and regulations. The city will have the right to take official positions and participate in many regional decisions.

The new city will have a population of approximately 8,000 residents at the time of incorporation. It will cover about 1.7 square miles. This includes undeveloped property recently brought into the urban growth boundary.

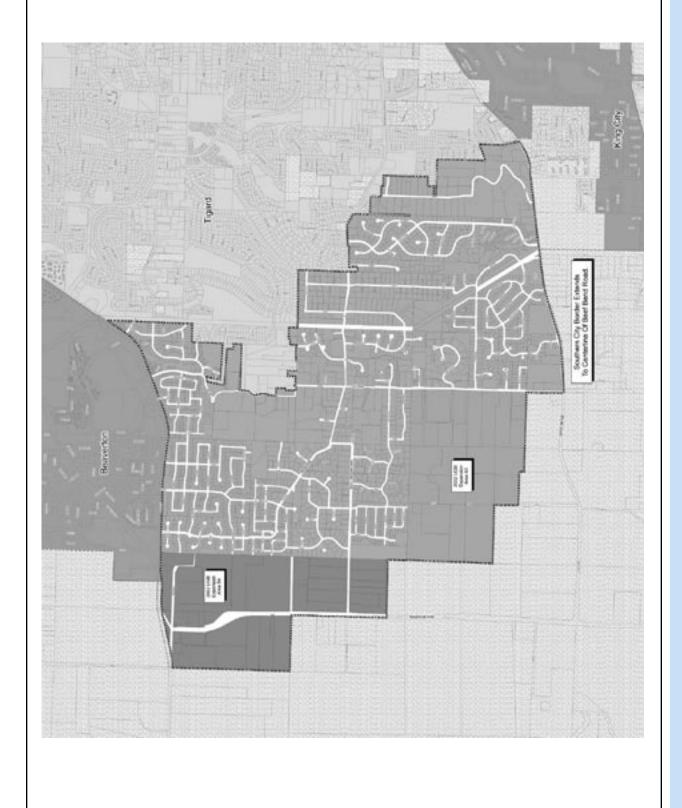
The new city council will decide which services the city will provide itself, contract with other government entities or private enterprise to provide, or continue to receive from special service districts. At least initially, existing special districts will continue to provide services and levy taxes or fees. These include enhanced sheriff's patrol, sanitary sewer, water, storm water management, fire, and local road maintenance services. The city council may choose to withdraw from one or more of these districts and have the new city provide the services. The county will continue to issue building permits unless the city council takes on that service.

The city will initially be governed by a five-member City Council of local residents, elected by the residents of the new city. An election for these new councilors also appears on this ballot. The city will derive its authority from, and be governed by, Oregon constitutional and statutory law. If City voters adopt a home-rule charter the charter will specify the form of city government and other matters concerning the operation of the city.

This measure authorizes a permanent tax rate limitation of \$2.84 per \$1,000 dollars of assessed value on real property located within the city, for the purpose of funding city operations. This permanent tax rate was developed and recommended in the findings of an Economic Feasibility Statement. The new city council will determine how much of the authorized permanent rate to levy, which cannot exceed the permanent tax rate limitation unless the voters grant further approval.

Submitted by: Robert Davis County Administrator

# Measure No. 34-129



## Measure No. 34-129

#### **ARGUMENT FOR**

#### 12 Good Reasons to Vote "Yes" to form Bull Mountain, Oregon

- 1) To permanently stop Tigard's aggressive, aggravatinannexation agenda.
- 2) To take local control of our environment before developers cut down every tree on Bull Mountain and drive away all of the wildlife.
- 3) To take local control of our streets before Bull Mountain Road is backed up all the way to the power lines.
- 4) To take local control of zoning decisions before there's nothing left to zone.
- 5) To have a seat at the table when Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) Expansion Area 63 and 64 are master planned, to make sure they're planned right.
- 6) For Bull Mountain to have a voice when decisions are made at local, county, regional, and state governments.
- 7) To elect a city council made of <u>our</u> neighbors, who share <u>our</u> Bull Mountain priorities.
- 8) Because if we don't, history has clearly shown that we will soon be annexed by Tigard.
- 9) Because 240 other communities in Oregon have come to the same fork in the road and have chosen self-governance, with most of those cities much smaller, with a much lower revenue base. If they can do it, so can we!
- 10) Because, financially, it makes sense to keep our Bull Mountain dollars here on Bull Mountain, to support our local priorities.
- 11) To finally be able to have some parks, so our children have a place where they can play.
- 12) To protect and enhance the character and livability of our very special Bull Mountain community.

Please vote "YES" on Measure 34-129, and together, let's make Bull Mountain the best that it can be!

Jeanette Slepian Randy Sholes Ken Henschel Martha Sampson Elaine Dunlap Kevin Bauerle

This Information Furnished By: Jeanette Slepian

#### ARGUMENT FOR

Law Enforcement and Public Safety mean a YES vote on Measure 34 – 129

Being residents of the Bull Mountain area and Public Safety professionals, we're supporting the measure to incorporate Bull Mountain. The safety of our families, friends and neighbors is at the top of our list. One of the really great benefits of becoming our own city is that we control the size of they city government and the services our city provides. At the same time, we can still receive the excellent protection and responsiveness we currently get from Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue and the Washington County Sheriff's Office – We don't need to duplicate.

In fact, even as an incorporated city, TVF&R will provide the same services at the current cost. The Washington County Sheriff's Office provides full service police protection and can maintain this service at the current cost or even at reduced cost.

There is more than adequate funding within the conservative budget provided by the proposed permanent limited tax rate to continue and even enhance the safety and protection we receive now – from the same public safety professionals who already provide it. The economic experts made sure of that in their recommendations. Washington County agreed and even said the financial projections might be a little too conservative.

That's okay with us. We are for safety and security, plus the local control and local values that would be assured as our own city.

This Information Furnished By: Roy E. Kindrick Janice S. Kindrick

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## Measure No. 34-129

#### ARGUMENT FOR

**Vote YES for Local Control and Protecting Our Community** 

Incorporating our Bull Mountain community and becoming Bull Mountain, Oregon, the city, is one of the smartest things we can do for ourselves and for our families and friends who will live here in the future.

Incorporating will provide Local Control: Locally elected leaders will share our local priorities and values- because they live here. They will represent us and provide legal standing with Washington County, Metro, Oregon and the federal government. We will finally have a seat at the table and we will have local control over our local interests.

Incorporating will preserve our Local Values and Priorities, and protect our community: Planners and the mayor of Tigard don't live here and don't share our priorities. If they cared, we'd have more trees, natural spaces and at least one park. Right now, other people make the decisions for us, not with us. We voted 9 to 1 not to annex to Tigard. Yet Tigard continues an aggressive annexation agenda, taking over of Bull Mountain piece-by-piece. That's not just failure to value our community, our opinions or our vote, that's a complete disregard and contempt for our neighbors and neighborhoods.

Incorporating makes economic sense, and keeps our hard-earned money right here, at home. The proposed permanent limited tax rate would put us within pennies of Tigard's current taxing level. Plus, our money would stay here, paying for only the things we want and need, based upon our priorities and a better model for a city.

Join us. Vote YES for **local control** and **prioritizing our community** the way we all decide, together! Vote YES for Measure 34-129, to incorporate Bull Mountain.

Bull Mountain Residents for Incorporation (503) 475-9241 v/m

This Information Furnished By: Kevin Bauerle Bull Mountain Residents for Incorporation

#### ARGUMENT FOR

I used to live in unincorporated Washington County. Tigard annexed "Walnut Island" about 6 years ago, and I am now a Tigard resident. Tigard surrounded our area and then annexed us without a vote. Tigard promised us street lights, sidewalks, etc., but haven't yet made good on their promises. During the process, we were told by Tigard "it doesn't matter if the residents are against being annexed. We're going to do it anyways." And they did.

The same thing is happening to Bull Mountain. 90% of you voted in 2004 that you didn't want to be annexed by Tigard, but since then Tigard has completed many annexations there in spite of your vote. Take it from somebody who has been there....Tigard won't stop until they have you!

You are the fortunate ones. You have the chance to act now to form your own city. Your city council will be made up of volunteers from your community who will implement your wishes, not Tigard's. Our area never had the chance to vote, as we were forcibly annexed into the Tigard collective.

An independent, professional feasibility study was completed, showing that forming your own city is very feasible, with quality services being provided by the Washington County Sheriff's Office, Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue, Clean Water Services, and others. Washington County's very thorough review of that study confirmed that finding, and the Board of Commissioners voted unanimously to allow the matter to go before the voters.

I urge you to act now with a Yes vote, to avoid what Walnut Island went through. You have a one-time opportunity to put the whole matter to rest, and you control the outcome, not Tigard or others. To avoid what happened to us, put control of your Bull Mountain community in your own hands, once and for all!

This Information Furnished By: Carla Pealer

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### Measure No. 34-129

#### ARGUMENT FOR

Seniors and long-time residents are voting YES on 34-129 for Bull Mountain

Those of us who have lived on Bull Mountain for many years remember when Bull Mountain felt like a neighborhood, but it's losing that quality. That's why we're voting **YES** to incorporate our community as a city that had its priorities and values right. Many of us raised our children here and we, and our neighbors, had a vision of what we wanted for our families and what we wanted to protect. But over the years, the decisions about how our area should develop were turned over to others who don't share our vision, our priorities or our values. The trees keep getting cleared away, the natural spaces are disappearing, and the decisions for growth and even more development are being made by people who don't live here.

When we vote to become our own city, we will have the control and the legal standing to say "yes" and "no" to the things we feel strongly about-and that affect us. We can keep our city government small and continue to use the services we need that already are provided by the water agency, the sewer agency, Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue District and the Sheriff's office. That's one of the most important things for us – that our safety and security will be assured by the same people who are taking care of us now.

It's not too late for us to regain the control and the vision for a Bull Mountain we all love and want to come home to. And we can do that by voting **YES** for local control, blocking Tigard's never-ending annexations.

We encourage everyone who remembers how Bull Mountain used to be, to join us in voting **YES** to make Bull Mountain the way we want it to be.

Harold R. Burt Barbara Burt Frances E. Egan Edward C. Egan Madalyn A. Utz

This Information Furnished By: Harold R. Burt

#### ARGUMENT AGAINST

As a resident of Bull Mountain, unincorporated Washington County, I strongly **oppose** incorporation as a new city. One of the most disturbing aspects of this **illogical** measure is the **inadequate** provision for **law enforcement**. Though not a high crime area now, any affluent area without adequate police protection will soon become a target.

We currently receive law enforcement services from  $\underline{W}$ ashington  $\underline{C}$ ounty  $\underline{S}$ heriff's  $\underline{O}$ ffice thru the Enhanced Sheriff's Patrol District staffed at the rate of .51 officers per 1000 residents. This in addition to base services (jail, forensics, records, investigations, backup) provided by WCSO countywide.

Instead of a police force, the new city proposes a **small** "stand alone" force of four deputies on contract from WCSO. Using county population estimates, that yields a beginning rate of .46 officers per 1000 residents, dropping to .42 in FY2010 and .38 in FY2017, and **without** provision for WCSO base services. This level of policing is considered **inadequate** by WCSO which recommends a rate or 1.00 per 1000 residents, more than **doubling** the projected **cost!** 

By contrast, **real cities** enjoy these levels of law enforcement: Beaverton **1.50** officers per 1000 residents; Tigard **1.35**; King City **2.00** and Sherwood **1.44**. Bottom line is <u>MORE TAXES</u> for LESS PROTECTION, a **bad bargain** in anyone's book.

Plus, there is no physical building for law enforcement operations. In fact, there is NO INFRASTRUCTURE whatsoever on Bull Mountain. Plus, NO COMMERCIAL TAX BASE to help pay for creating one. Without an infrastructure, all services that have been provided by Tigard and the county will be outsourced. In which case, why do we need another layer of government in the form of "new city"?

Please go to

www.co.washington.or.us/deptmts/lut/planning/BullMt/Staffreport\_chapter7.pdf

Read the facts and then vote NO on 34-129

This Information Furnished By: William B. White

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## Measure No. 34-129

#### ARGUMENT AGAINST

I've lived in unincorporated Bull Mountain for over 20 years, happy with the way things were. Then Tigard tried to forcibly annex us. We voted that down 9:1.

Tigard got their fingers burned and have adopted a policy of

#### NO FORCIBLE ANNEXATION.

The county also changed their position. On July 1st they cancelled the Intergovernmental Agreement that had given planning authority to Tigard. This removed Tigard's authority to repeat their earlier effort of forcible annexation. Tigard's current policy is best summed up in this Tigard City Council statement; "We did direct staff that they could ask residents on contiguous property if they wanted to be annexed, but we would not annex them unless that was their wish."

Now a **group of realtors**, masquerading as community activists, are trying to form a city that is not needed, in order to get in on the ground floor of the real estate boom that will come from the 487 acres of undeveloped property in UGB 63 & 64.

These realtors have been lying to everyone, claiming that if the incorporation fails, we will be forced into Tigard. They claim that the law requires all property within an Urban Growth Boundary must be incorporated into a city.

When asked; "Is there any requirement that property within an Urban Growth Boundary must be incorporated into a city"; the answer came back "NO". This answer came from Ray Valone (Metro Principle Planner), Stacy Hopkins (State Dept. of Land Conservation & Development), Linda Schroeder (Washington County Land Use & Transportation), and Washington County Commissioner Roy Rogers (via e-mail correspondence).

I have an outstanding <u>reward of \$500</u> to anyone who can show that any such requirement exists. Do not let the lies being spread frighten you into voting for a city you don't need or want.

Learn more: www.bullmountaininformation.com. www.bullmountainelection.com

#### **VOTE NO ON 34-129**

This Information Furnished By: Isador W. Morgavi

#### ARGUMENT AGAINST

We have lived on Bull Mountain for more than 28 years. Water is available, the street lights work, the roads are good, and firemen and police respond when needed. All of the entities we deal with do a fine job. There is no reason to form a new city that comes between us and our good service providers. A new city will only increase taxes while some service levels may actually decrease (e.g., police).

The proponents of this measure would like you to compare "new city" tax rates with City of Tigard taxes. City of Tigard taxes are not an issue. The real comparison is with Washington County taxes. Making that comparison will show that you will pay more but will likely get less by allowing the "new city" to become a reality. Proponents would like you to believe you must choose the "new city" or be annexed into the City of Tigard. The actual choice is between "new city" and remaining as unincorporated Washington County. The proponents would like you to believe "status quo is not an option." This is not true.

It is obvious the proponents of the "new city" have a substantial campaign budget. It appears that their main interest may go beyond creating a "new city." It would be interesting to know what they hope to gain by creating this extra layer of government

Remember, <u>you</u> will pay for all the services the "new city" offers. If this measure passes the "new city" may be more expensive than you think. This new city and additional layer of government are not needed.

Vote NO on Measure 34-129. Voting NO will cost you nothing.

H. Virginia Babcock Resident of Unincorporated Bull Mountain

See www.bullmountainelection.com and www.bullmountaininformation.com

This Information Furnished By: H. Virginia Babcock No City Needed

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## Measure No. 34-129

#### ARGUMENT AGAINST

A new Bull Mountain City will cost taxpayers more and provide less in services.

A new city will need to acquire capital assets, hire personnel and provide for the accompanying human resource infrastructure. It is highly unlikely that this can be created and maintained without higher tax rates. A financially impaired new city that can not meet fiscal obligations will either have to cut services or assess all property owners new taxes and fees. Police protection will be greatly reduced.

Local planning and control are sighted as reasons for a new city. This is a myth as a new city with inexperienced personnel will have limited affect on mandated land use planning. Rejection of a new city does not mean annexation into the City of Tigard. There is no existing Oregon Statute forcing such an alternative. Creating a new city will still be an option for the future.

The Friends of Bull Mountain, a non-profit corporation was organized by people predominantly from the real estate industry. Where did their funding for over \$60,000, including \$34,000 for a so-called feasibility study for a new city come from?

Retain the status quo, Vote NO for a new city. There is no need to rush to buy a pig-in-a-poke.

Dennis Goode 14970 Bull Mountain Road

This Information Furnished By: Dennis Goode

#### ARGUMENT AGAINST

Who's pushing a new 'city,' anyway?

Who? Of the three Chief Petitioners who put the 'city' question on the ballot, research reveals two (Hamilton-Treick and Fowler) are active license real estate brokers. But few realize they are actually both from the same real estate brokerage (Realty Trust)! The third (Franzke) is a lawyer whose firm represents developers. Bull Mtn. Residents for Incorporation's four directors? The same two real estate brokers – same real estate brokerage, a real estate appraiser plus the same lawyer whose firm represents developers. These two brokers, plus their loyal 'B' team, have also targeted a city council takeover if voters approve their novice 'city.' Suspicious?

Why a new 'city'? Self-determination? Local control? Family values? Other slogans? Nonsense. The real 'why' lies just under the smokescreen: 487 undeveloped acres around Roy Rogers get pulled into their new 'city' if formed! And 487 undeveloped Bull Mountain acres is pure gold to real estate and developer interests. Their distracting rhetoric aside, the real reason these interests want you to buy their new 'city' is clear: 487 undeveloped Bull Mountain acres! Suspicious yet?

Who put up all that money? Financial context: the entire Tigard Council spent less than \$10,000, total, campaigning for their seats. But these 'new city' types paid over \$50,000 cash - only thru August! – for their \$30,000+ no-bid economic study, plus many tens of thousands more for their incorporation paperwork lawyer fees, unsuccessful legal challenges over Tigard policy plus their new lawsuit against Tigard over boundary lines. \$50,000+ is not 'bake sale' money. Who put up all that cash? We already know why.

#### New city? Don't need it.

Their 'new city' attempt is far too questionable and risky, all to create a highly dubious, expensive (higher taxes) and, lest we forget, *totally unnecessary* added layer of government.

We don't need that.
WE DECIDE! Vote NO!
Visit bullmountainelection.com

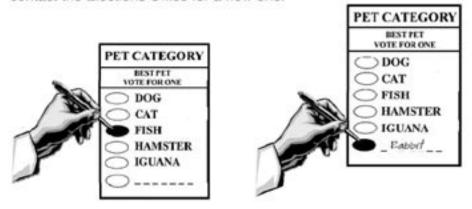
Phil Decker Unincorporated Bull Mountain

This Information Furnished By: Phil Decker

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- To vote you must completely fill in the oval ( ) with a black or blue pen or a standard pencil.
- To Write in a name completely fill in the oval ( ) to the left of the dotted line ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) and write in the name on the dotted line.
- 3. The ballot may have contests printed on front and back. Remember to vote both sides.
- If you make a mistake, or your ballot is damaged, or in need of assistance, you may contact the Elections Office for a new one.



## Cómo votar su Boleta Electoral:

- Para votar usted deberá llenar completamente el óvalo ( ) que está a la izquierda de su decision. Use una pluma de tinta o azúl, o un lápiz.
- Para someter un nombre, llene completamente el óvalo ( ) que está a la izquierda de la línea vacía. ( \_ \_ \_ \_ ) Use una pluma de tinta o azúl, o un lápiz para escribir un nombre.
- La Boleta Electoral tal vez tenga información en los dos lados (frente y posterior).
   Recuerde, vote ambos lados.
- Si hace un error, o su boleta es dañada, o necesita ayuda, puede llamar a la oficina de Elecciones para solicitor una nueva.





## **CITY OF BANKS**

## Measure No. 34-138

#### **BALLOT TITLE**

#### LEVY TO RESTORE LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES

**QUESTION:** Shall City levy \$1.89 per assessed thousand for five years starting 2007-08 for police services from Washington County Sheriffs Department?

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

**SUMMARY:** The City Council voted to recommend to voters this measure be place on the November Ballot. If this measure is approved, the City will levy \$1.89 per assessed thousand (\$1,000) each year for five (5) years beginning in tax year 2007 to contract with the Washington County Sheriffs Department to provide local police services. Services include but are not limited to prompt response to 911 calls, crime prevention, work with youth and school programs, investigate criminal activity, traffic enforcement, domestic violence, neighborhood nuisances, identity theft, enforcement of city ordinances and other City specific police duties. The City currently has no Police service and is reliant on the regular County and State patrols whose priority is life threatening issues. It is not their practice to address City issues that are not life threatening.

The potential total amount of the five (5) year levy is about \$766,000.00. For a home with an assessed value of \$100,000.00 the annual tax cost estimate would be \$189.00. The estimated tax revenue the City will receive is an ESTIMATE ONLY. This is based on the best information available from the County Assessor at the time of the estimate.

#### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

#### Why is this levy proposed?

The City needs funding for law enforcement services as the City has no such services at this time. Proposed funds will be used to contract with the Washington County Sheriff's Department to provide local police services. These services include but are not limited to 50 hours of police patrols specifically in the City of Banks as well as crime scene investigation, any Public Awareness programs offered by Washington County, access to national crime databases, traffic enforcement sweeps, reduced vandalism, etc. Without funding by this levy, the City will have no local police patrol. Should this levy fail, this City will continue to only have law enforcement responses for emergency calls, i.e., 911 calls, etc. with an officer that is shared with the entire west side of Washington County. There will continue to be no services available for other types of police issues. This levy will reduce crime and help protect the residents of Banks, students of the Banks School System, and those who visit and do business in Banks from the effects of crime.

#### Who is served by the City's police department?

If you received this ballot, you will receive the benefit of a Washington County Deputy providing police services. The number of people in Banks has increased by approximately 60% since 1998.

## What impact would the levy have on a homeowner's property tax?

The replacement levy is estimated to average \$1.89 per \$1,000 assessed value. If approved, owners of a home would see the following estimated annual impact:

\$100,000 assessed home \$1.89 x \$100,000 = \$189.00 \$150,000 assessed home \$1.89 x \$150,000 = \$283.50

#### When would this levy first appear on property tax bills?

The property tax bill due in November 2007 would include this levy

Submitted by: Michael Lyda Mayor

## **CITY OF CORNELIUS**

## Measure No. 34-131

#### **BALLOT TITLE**

## CITY OF CORNELIUS, OREGON TAX ON MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL

**QUESTION:** Shall the City of Cornelius impose a \$0.02 per gallon tax on motor vehicle fule sold in The City?

**SUMMARY:** The Ciy Council adopted Ordinance No. 869 on March 20, 2006. That ordinance imposed a \$0.02 per gallon tax on motor vehicle fuel sold in the City. The ordinance requires the use of fuel tax revenue for planning, financing, design, construction, maintenance, repair, operation and use of City streets. The tax would have taken effect on June 1, 2006. A petition was filed to refer the ordinance to City voters. This measure allows City voters to decide if the ordinance will take effect. If voters approve this measure, the fuel tax will take effect. If votered on tapprove this measure the fuel tax will not take effect.

#### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

2¢ Gas Tax

The City of Cornelius provides street construction and maintenance services for over 32 miles of streets plus sidewalks and paths.

#### What does this ordinance do?

This ordinance provides supplementary funds for the City Streets and Pathways Fund at a rate of 2¢ per gallon of fuel sold in the City. It is expected to generate about \$180,000 annually.

#### Why is this ordinance on the ballot?

The Mayor and City Council approved Ordinance No. 869 on March 20, 2006. However, several citizens successfully petitioned to stop collection of the tax and place the issue before the voters. If voters approve this ordinance, then the gas tax takes effect 30 days after the election.

What would be done with the funds raised by the gas tax? The money collected from the tax all stays with the City. The funds would be used to repair and reconstruct city streets and to match state and federal grants for major street improvements. The City is deficient in maintaining streets and has a backlog of about 12 blocks that need repaving or major repairs. It costs about \$18,000 per block to remove old asphalt and repave the street. The City needs to repair about four blocks annually.

The money is also needed as matching funds for work in the Adair/Baseline one-way street couplet (OR 8). Matching funds are normally required for 10-50% of project costs to obtain state or Federal funds.

How would the typical City driver be affected by the tax? The amount of taxes paid depends on how much a person drives and whether they purchase fuel in the City. This tax is paid by anyone buying gas or diesel in the City whether they are a resident or not. The average daily traffic flow on Adair/ Baseline is about 40,000 vehicles so it is likely that non-residents will pay a high share of the tax.

This proposed 2¢ per gallon tax is in addition to the Federal (18.4¢), state (24¢) and Washington County (1¢) taxes already paid. The taxes paid to the City to fill a vehicle with a 16-gallon tank would be 32¢.

#### What if this ordinance fails?

The City will continue to operate this Streets and Pathways fund with money from other sources. It will fall further behind with street maintenance and may not be able to obtain grants for improvement projects on the major City streets. Road conditions will further deteriorate.

Submitted by: Debby Roth City Recorder–Treasurer

## **CITY OF CORNELIUS**

## Measure No. 34-134

#### **BALLOT TITLE**

## CORNELIUS FIRE AND POLICE EQUIPMENT LOCAL OPTION LEVY

**QUESTION:** Shall the City of Cornelius levy 46 cents per \$1000 for fire and police equipment for ten years beginning FY2007-08?

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

**SUMMARY:** City of Cornelius provides fire and police services and requires fire engines, police cars, tools and equipment to respond to emergencies, provide fire prevention, protect property and enforce traffic laws.

In 1998 voters approved a local option levy of approximately \$115,000 annually to purchase fire department vehicles. The levy expired in 2003-04.

This measure allows the City to buy fire engine, support vehicles, patrol cars and related tools and equipment for the Fire and Police departments for the 10-years of the tax. A fully equipped fire engine, purchased in 2012 is expected to cost about \$450,000.

Typical homowners would pay about \$88 in 2007-08 based upon an assumed average assessed value (not market value) of \$192,000.

Estimated revenues for each year of the levy from all city taxpayers:

\$212,360 in 2007-08 \$221,916 in 2008-09 \$231,903 in 2009-10 \$242,338 in 2010-11 \$253,243 in 2011-12 \$264,639 in 2012-13 \$276,548 in 2013-14 \$288,993 in 2014-15 \$301,997 in 2015-16 \$315,587 in 2016-17

#### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

## Cornelius Fire and Police Equipment Local Option Levy – 46¢ WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED?

This is a Local Option Levy (LOL) of 46¢ per \$1000 assessed valuation for the purpose of replacing and acquiring fire and police vehicles and related equipment. It does not provide funding for any staff, materials or services. It will generate about \$2.9 million over the life of the levy based upon reasonable projections of assessed valuation growth. City population is now 10,585 with larger homes, businesses and industrial plants.

#### WHAT WILL THE LEVY PURCHASE?

The 10-year levy will replace two fire engines, two brush rigs, a water tender (tank truck) and contribute the city's share of a substation to better serve the growing rural area of the Cornelius Rural District. The funds would also be used to extend the functional life of a donated truck by moving equipment onto a new cab and chassis. Funds are also included for tools and equipment used at a fire scene and training aids.

The Cornelius Police Department projects that their fleet will grow from 7 vehicles to 11 by 2017. Police cars last about 6 years. The levy also includes for the replacement of the speed indicator trailer used for traffic law compliance.

#### WHY DOES THE CITY NEED THESE FUNDS?

The useful life of a Cornelius fire engine is about 21 years. The engine proposed for replacement was purchased in 1985 so it is at the end of its useful life. The other engine was purchased in 1991. The two brush trucks were purchased in 1982 and 1987 and would be replaced with one multi-purpose vehicle.

The current budget does not provide any funds for replace-

ment of fire equipment. The last fire engine was purchased in 2001 with funds from the Local Option Levy that expired in 2003-04. Without the new funds the City will be unable to buy equipment in a timely way.

The average number of police cars replaced each year is two and is intended to grow to three in the later years to maintain the rotation. This includes the purchase a small pickup truck for a civilian employee, Community Service Officer, if funding allows. The levy includes all necessary light bars, communication equipment and standard patrol vehicle accessories. The City received a federal grant for mobile data computers several years ago for all cars and is obligated to maintain that communication equipment in future years.

By 2017 the expected population of the city is about 18,000 and the Cornelius Police Department may have 20 sworn officers, if funding allows. Currently the department is funded for 14 officers.

#### WHAT IF THIS LEVY FAILS?

If this levy not be approved, the City will be unable to buy replacement and additional fire and police vehicles and equipment.

Submitted by: Debby Roth City Recorder-Treasurer

## CITY OF FOREST GROVE

## Measure No. 34-135

#### **BALLOT TITLE**

## CITY OF FOREST GROVE LOCAL OPTION LEVY FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY

**QUESTION:** Shall the City levy taxes of \$1.35 per thousand of assessed value for four years beginning 2007-08 for general operations?

This measure may cause property taxes to increase by more than three percent (3%).

**SUMMARY:** This measure shall authorize the City to levy a tax rate of \$1.35 on each \$1,000 of assessed valuation for four years, beginning with fiscal year 2007-08. If this measure passes, it will replace the current local option levy of \$0.99 on each \$1,000 of assessed value for fiscal year 2007-08 which is the last year of the current local option levy. The taxes will be used to help maintain the current levels of police and fire services. The estimated revenues for each year of the levy are \$1,386,279 in fiscal year 2007-08, \$1,455,593 in fiscal year 2008-09, \$1,528,373 in fiscal year 2009-10, and \$1,604,792 in fiscal year 2010-11.

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 Community Safety Levy?

A four-year levy that will help the City maintain existing programs, particularly services provided by Forest Grove's Police and Fire Departments.

#### What is the City's recent property tax levy history?

In November 2002, the voters approved a five-year levy for \$0.99 per \$1,000 assessed value, Two-thirds of that levy was to maintain police and fire personnel and one-third was to add 2 firefighter/paramedics and 3 police officers. As a result of that levy, police and fire services were maintained and the five additional staff was hired. This levy expires on June 30, 2008.

In November 2004, the voters rejected a City levy of \$0.21 per \$1,000 assessed value to maintain library services and replace library computers. Subsequently, the Library Materials Budget was reduced by \$66,000 and computers were not replaced.

#### How was the need identified?

A seven citizen-member Public Safety Advisory Commission (PSAC) spent six months examining services provided by the Police and Fire Departments. The PSAC made several recommendations to the City Council. The key recommendation was that the City should not only request renewal of the levy for \$0.99 of assessed value but that the amount of the levy should be increased by \$0.36 to \$1.35 per \$1,000 of assessed value effective July 1, 2007. The PSAC concluded the increase is necessary to help maintain the current level of police and fire services.

#### Why is Measure 34-135 proposed?

The City wants to maintain the current level of public safety and other services provided to the citizens of Forest Grove. No additional services will be added. The City is requesting an increase to help cover increasing costs such as public safety wages and benefits, fuel for public safety vehicles, and technology costs such as mobile data terminals in public safety vehicles.

## What impact would Measure 34-135 have on a homeowner's property tax?

City taxpayers are paying \$0.99 per \$1,000 assessed value for the current levy. Measure 34-135 proposes to continue current levy rate of \$0.99 per \$1,000 of assessed value plus an additional \$0.36 per \$1,000 of assessed value effective July 1, 2007. Owners of a home with an assessed value of \$175,000 would pay an additional \$63.00 per year or \$5.75 per month in property taxes from this levy.

#### For FY 2007-08, will taxpayers pay for both levies?

No, taxpayers will not pay for both levies. The language states that if the levy passes, it will replace the \$0.99 levy in FY 2007-08

#### What happens if the levy is not approved?

In FY 2007-08, up to \$600,000 in services will be reduced from the existing General Fund budget, which pays for police, fire, library, aquatic center, parks, community development, engineering, and administrative services. In FY 2008-09, up to an additional \$930,000, for a total of \$1.53 million, in services will be eliminated from the General Fund budget. The total reduction is roughly the equivalent of twenty-two employees.

Submitted by: Michael J. Sykes City Manager

## **CITY OF FOREST GROVE**

## Measure No. 34-135

#### ARGUMENT FOR

We urge your support in the effort to provide for a safe community.

Passage of the Forest Grove Public Safety Levy means that we can continue to provide high quality law enforcement, fire protection and emergency medical service. Forest Grove's future is tied to this levy which will maintain services over the next four years.

On a \$200,000 house, the Public Safety Levy (Measure 34-135) would cost less than a cup of coffee a day, which is a very good bargain.

We are fortunate to live in a great community. Passage of this levy will keep it that way and will provide a solid funding source for the next four years. You can help by voting YES! on Measure 34-135, Forest Grove's Public Safety Levy.

Richard Kidd, Mayor, City of Forest Grove Deena Barrett, Councilor, City of Forest Grove Tom (TJ) Johnston, Councilor City of Forest Grove Victoria Lowe, Councilor, City of Forest Grove Peter Truax, Councilor, City of Forest Grove Maria Elena Uhing Glenn VanBlarcom Robert Mills, Chief, Forest Grove Fire and Rescue S. William Bench III Al Miller, member F.G. Planning Commission Joe Smith **Dwight Lanter** Rig Ilg Matthew Johnston David Nemeyer Lelana Vandehey

This information furnished by: Peter Truax

## Measure No. 34-132

#### **BALLOT TITLE**

## LOCAL OPTION LEVY FOR POLICE, FIRE AND PARKS MAINTENANCE SERVICE.

**QUESTION:** Shall the City of Hillsboro levy \$1.72 per \$1000 for police, fire and parks maintenance for five years beginning 2008-09? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

**SUMMARY:** This levy pays for continuing the current levels of police and parks maintenance services and restoring the past level of fire and emergency medical services. This levy will replace the last year of the levy adopted by voters in 2002. Over 90% of the levy goes to Hillsboro Police and Fire Departments and the remainder to parks maintenance. The City Council, in order to keep pace with growth, unanimously voted to place this measure on the ballot. The levy provides for:

#### **POLICE**

- Additional patrol officers
- Street crimes, narcotics and gang enforcement programs
- Additional detectives for investigations
- Community policing programs
- Child and domestic violence intervention
- Youth Services and School Resource Officers

#### FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

- Faster emergency response
- Additional emergency responders and equipment
- Expanded search and rescue capabilities
- Enhanced fire prevention and safety programs
- Expanded hazardous materials emergency response
- Improved disaster preparedness programs

#### PARKS MAINTENANCE

 Maintenance of ballfields, recreation facilities, parks, playgrounds, and future developed parkland

Estimated revenues for each year of levy:

\$13,114,172 in 2008-09

\$13,704,310 in 2009-10 \$14,321,004 in 2010-11

\$14,965,449 in 2011-12

\$14,965,449 in 2011-12 \$15,638,894 in 2012-13

#### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

#### What would this levy do?

The City of Hillsboro provides public safety services including police, fire and emergency medical services to its citizens. The City also provides parks maintenance services to all City park facilities. This measure would provide funding to maintain police and parks maintenance services and to restore fire and emergency medical services to their past levels of service.

The voters authorized a tax levy of \$1.10 per \$1,000 of assessed value in 1998 and 2002, which expires in 2008. This levy would replace the last year of the current levy with \$1.72 per \$1,000 for five years starting in July 2008. If passed, over 90% of the levy would go to police, fire and emergency medical services. The remaining amount of the levy would be used for parks maintenance services.

## What was done with the levy funds the voters approved in 1998 and 2002?

The Police Department Added:

46 sworn and non-sworn staff that provided the following:

- Sworn officers on duty
- School resource officers
- · Child abuse/youth intervention
- Neighborhood patrols
- Community policing/crime prevention programs
- Light rail patrols
- Traffic enforcement
- Detectives for criminal investigations
- Street crimes/narcotics program
- Domestic violence intervention

- Mediation programs
- Gang enforcement programs

#### The Fire Department Added:

22 firefighters and prevention staff that provided the following services:

- Emergency medical services response including advanced life support
- Public education and awareness
- Emergency fire response

#### The Parks Department Added:

7 parks maintenance personnel that provided the following services:

- Maintenance of ballfields
- Maintenance of parks lawns, trees and shrubs
- Maintenance of playground and park equipment

#### What would this levy pay for?

- Retention of the police, fire and parks maintenance positions added by the levy authorized by voters in 1998 and 2002
- Additional positions in the following areas:
  - Police: Sworn and non-sworn positions that would maintain current service levels.
  - Fire: Fire emergency response positions and equipment to shorten response times to medical and fire calls. The additional positions would also expand the search and rescue capabilities for collapsed buildings, industrial and transportation accidents as well as expanding hazardous materials emergency response, disaster preparedness programs, prevention and safety programs designed to reach children, the elderly and other at risk populations.
  - Parks Maintenance: Parks maintenance personnel that would maintain the additional parks being developed at current maintenance standards.

#### How would property taxes change if this measure passes?

The cost per household for a home with a taxable assessed value of \$150,000 (different than market value), would be on average about \$258 each year for the five years of the levy. This represents about a \$72 increase over the current local option tax, which would be replaced by this levy in 2008-09.

#### What if the measure fails?

The current local option tax of \$1.10 approved by the voters would continue through 2008-09. Public safety and parks maintenance would continue to remain a priority; however, service levels in police, fire and parks maintenance would likely decrease.

Submitted by: Tom Hughes Mayor

### Measure No. 34-132

#### ARGUMENT FOR

Support Measure 34-132: Our Seniors Need Your Help!

Fire and police services are very important to our senior citizens. Protection against identity theft and fraud and quick responses to medical emergencies has never been more important.

Measure 34-132 will increase the number of police officers on duty, providing additional resources to fight identity theft and fraud victims.

Measure 34-132 will maintain our fire department's 4 minute emergency response time.

Measure 34-132 will maintain a quick response to fires, motor vehicle accidents and medical emergencies.

As our community has grown in the past ten years, demands on our police, medical response and fire services have increased.

Growth in Hillsboro has increased calls for emergency services by more than 50% in the last 10 years.

"A yes vote means that officers will be able to respond to your calls in a timely manner. Neighborhood patrols will continue. Gang enforcement, street crime and narcotics programs will all continue at current levels. Without this measure, there will be a reduction in service levels."

Chris Skinner, Police Commander Cheryl L. Banks, Police Officer Jason B. LeCorre, Police Officer

"The time is now to renew the commitment Hillsboro made in 1998. Improve our response to emergencies. We want to continue providing rapid medical care which is often the difference between life and death. We are proud of our history and tradition of serving Hillsboro for 100 years. We want to continue to provide Hillsboro with excellent service-nothing less."

Larry Smith, Hillsboro Firefighter/Paramedic Todd Eckhardt, Hillsboro Firefighter Richard Vetsch, Hillsboro Firefighter/Paramedic Joseph Ligatich, Hillsboro Firefighter/Inspector

Fire and police services are essential for seniors. Please support protection against identity theft and fraud and quick responses to medical emergencies for Hillsboro's seniors.

We need a YES vote on 34-132 to better protect and serve Hillsboro Seniors.

This information furnished by: Ed Dennis The Hillsboro Committee

#### ARGUMENT FOR

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

Eight years ago Hillsboro voters approved the first of two five year local option funding levies for public safety services, police, fire and emergency medical services. It is time to say "YES" again.

#### LOCAL POLICE PROTECTION

Measure 34-132 will assure that valuable police services funded under the local option are continued.

We have all read about increases in property crimes, and identity theft and have watched the horrible stories of what drugs can do to a community. As Hillsboro grows, this local option provides important support for the Hillsboro Police Department to keep meeting our community's high standards for excellence.

Measure 34-132 is about keeping our citizens safe! Please Vote YES.

Ron Louie, Chief Hillsboro Police Department

Lila Ashenbrenner, Deputy Chief Hillsboro Police Department

Ray Gruby, President Hillsboro Police Officers Association

Jim Derrickson Vice President Hillsboro Police Officers Association

#### LOCAL FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

When you call for fire or emergency medical services you need help now. This measure helps re-establish a four minute average response time to emergency calls.

Without your support, we can not improve our current response times to the level that you have come to expect.

Growth in population and in the geographic area, increased traffic congestion and high demand for services are challenging our ability to maintain high service levels for you. Calls for emergency medical services have DOUBLED in the past 14 years.

We need your YES vote on measure 34-132

Gary Seidel, Chief Hillsboro Fire Department

Larry Smith, President Hillsboro Professional Firefighters Association

Dennis Ross, Administrative Chief Hillsboro Fire Department

Todd Eckhardt, Vice President Hillsboro Professional Firefighters Association

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## Measure No. 34-132

### **ARGUMENT FOR**

#### Support Hillsboro, Vote Yes on 34-132

Eight years ago, we passed a measure providing local options to fund and maintain police, fire and emergency medical services and park maintenance. We are asking for your support again.

By law, the local option measure expires at the end of five years and must be continued by voters. This measure continues to maintain the levels of police, fire and medical service we have come to appreciate.

Our City Council unanimously approved Measure 34-132. This measure would provide local police and fire services in order to keep pace with growth.

Growth in Hillsboro has increased calls for emergency services by +50% in 10 years. 90% of the levy funds would go to police, fire and emergency medical services.

#### Police services funded by the measure include:

- · community policing,
- · safety programs,
- youth services & School Resource Officers
- gang enforcement
- · graffiti enforcement
- · child and domestic abuse intervention,
- · traffic safety enforcement and
- narcotics programs
- domestic violence intervention

#### Fire services funded by the measure include:

- faster response times to fires, medical emergencies and rescues
- · faster delivery of emergency medical services
- · improved service level and delivery
- enhanced prevention programs to children and seniors
- improvements in advanced life support
- enhanced hazardous material and domestic preparedness
- improved emergency response times

#### City Parks Maintenance is a small part of 34-132:

Funding for four positions to maintain park acreage, athletic fields, and recreational facilities.

Hillsboro has a proud reputation for providing high quality, well managed, public services. <u>Your YES vote keeps our community safe.</u>

Mayor Tom Hughes
Gordon Faber, Former Mayor
Shirley Huffman, Former Mayor
Joe Keizur, Council President
Ed Dennis, Transportation Committee Chair
Cynthia O'Donnell, Finance Chairman
Doug Johnson, City Council
Aron Carleson, City Council
Nenice Andrews, City Council
Mike Castillo, Former Council Member
Karen McKinney, Former Council Member

This information furnished by: Ed Dennis The Hillsboro Committee

#### **ARGUMENT FOR**

#### We can't afford to put Hillsboro at risk.

Vote YES to keep our local police, fire and medical response strong.

Measure 34-132 will keep current police and firefighters on Hillsboro's streets to protect our neighborhoods and respond quickly to emergencies

#### POLICE PROTECTION

As our community grows, demands on law enforcement increase.

A YES vote will:

- · Keep current police officers on duty.
- Improve quick response time to your calls for help.
- Retain neighborhood patrols.
- Maintain child abuse and youth intervention programs.
- · Continue the Gang Enforcement Program.
- Enhance identity theft and fraud investigations.

#### FIRE PROTECTION and PREVENTION

Emergency response times have decreased in the past ten years. We need to turn that trend around.

A YES vote will:

- Increase the number of fire fighters needed to achieve a four minute emergency response time.
- Provide adequate training programs.
- Extend the Fire Prevention Program.

#### **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

Emergency medical calls have increased by 50% in the past 10 years.

A YES vote will:

- Continue support for the EMS-Rescue unit, Medical Support Personnel and advance life support equipment.
- Improve quick response time to fire, motor vehicle accidents and medical emergencies.

We need a YES vote to continue protecting our community and our families.

## We can't afford to put Hillsboro at risk. VOTE YES ON 34-132

Would you like to help the Campaign to Pass Measure 34-132 Call Ed Dennis at 503.888.1134 if you want volunteer.

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### CITY OF NORTH PLAINS

## Measure No. 34-132

## Measure No. 34-137

#### ARGUMENT FOR

# The Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce Supports Hillsboro Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Services

Vote YES on 34-132 to keep our Hillsboro police, fire and medical response strong.

Measure 34-132 will keep current police and firefighters on Hillsboro's streets to protect our neighborhoods, businesses, and families.

Join the Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce and support keeping our Police protection safe and strong.

A YES vote will continue the local option tax in 2008, renewing it for five years.

#### **POLICE PROTECTION**

- · Continue the Gang Enforcement Program.
- Expanded graffiti enforcement efforts
- Improve response time to your calls for help.
- · Retain current police officers on duty.
- · Retain neighborhood patrols.
- Increase identity theft and fraud investigations.
- · Continue child abuse and youth intervention programs.

#### **FIRE PROTECTION and PREVENTION**

Emergency response times have decreased in the past ten years.

- Expand the Fire Prevention Program.
- Expand the number of fire fighters needed to achieve a four minute emergency response time.
- Support adequate training programs.

#### **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

Emergency medical calls have increased by 50% in the past 14 years.

- Provide adequate support for the EMS-Rescue unit, Medical Support Personnel and advance life support equipment.
- Faster response time to fire, motor vehicle accidents and medical emergencies.

We need a YES vote to continue protecting our community and our families.

The Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce is asking you to VOTE YES ON 34-132

This information furnished by: Deanna Palm Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce

## BALLOT TITLE

## CITY OF NORTH PLAINS, OREGON GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND AUTHORIZATION

**QUESTION:** Shall the City of North Plains be authorized to issue general obligation bonds not exceeding \$2,000,000? 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 allow the City to impose property taxes to repay the costs of capital construction and capital improvements used to design and construct an approximately 17,500-foot waterline connecting to the Joint Water Commission transmission main. The construction of the waterline has been completed. The bonds will allow for the payment of the loan from the State rather than paying the loan from water rates. The bonds will mature in 30 years or less from date of issuance and may be issued in one or more series.

#### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

If approved, this measure would allow the City to issue up to \$2 million in general obligation (G.O.) bonds. The funds would be used to refinance the design and construction costs for the 17,500 foot-long (3.31 miles) water line that connects the City water system to the Joint Water Commission transmission main at NW Glencoe and Evergreen Road in Hillsboro. The water line was constructed with funds from an Oregon Safe Drinking Water Program loan. The loan is currently repaid by water rate revenues. Approval of this measure would allow the loan to be repaid from property taxes.

The City Council has determined the least costly way to repay the loan would be to issue the G.O. bonds. This allows the City to reduce the bond repayment amount from property taxes if alternative money sources - such as system development or other new development charges - become available.

The authorized amount for the G.O. bonds is \$2 million. The cost for a typical home with an assessed value (not market value) of \$200,000 (the reported average in North Plains) would be about \$233.00 per year or an average of \$19.42 per month. This is an ESTIMATE ONLY based upon latest available information.

The state loan is currently is being repaid from water rates. If these G.O. bonds are approved, the City will review the water rates to determine if they can be adjusted.

Submitted by: Donald H. Otterman City Manager

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## CITY OF PORTLAND

## Measure No. 26-86

#### **BALLOT TITLE**

## AMENDS CHARTER: CHANGES FIRE AND POLICE DISABILITY AND RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

**QUESTION:** Shall system be changed to require independent, qualified experts to decide disability claims and limit additional unfunded pension liability?

**SUMMARY:** This measure amends the City Charter for the Fire and Police Disability and Retirement System so independent experts decide disability claims, independent audits are conducted, and the retirement system for new employees is changed.

The Board of Trustees' role and composition will change. The Board will no longer decide disability claims. A qualified administrator will deny or approve claims. Appeals will be made to independent hearings officers with disability experience.

The number of Board members will be reduced from eleven to five. Two members of the Board will be citizens with relevant experience, one member will represent the City, and two members will represent the members of the system.

The retirement system for new employees will change to limit additional unfunded pension liability by placing new employees in the Oregon Public Service Retirement System. These changes are expected to increase the existing property tax levy rate in the short-term and decrease the rate in the long-term.

Audits by independent auditors will be conducted to evaluate the efficiency and finances of the Fund.

#### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This measure would make changes to the Fire and Police Disability and Retirement system in the Portland City Charter. The measure would change components of both the disability system and the retirement system.

This measure would require that independent audits of the disability system would be conducted. The measure would also change the current structure of the disability claims process to require that independent and neutral experts make disability claims decisions. In addition, the retirement system for new public safety officers would change, thereby limiting additional unfunded property tax liability.

An independent expert in disability systems will conduct an initial audit of the disability system within 9 months of the effective date of this measure. A subsequent audit will also be conducted by an independent expert in disability systems 12 months after the initial audit.

The changes to the disability system are expected to continue providing benefits to injured public safety officers while requiring that independent expert hearing officers make claims decisions regarding firefighters and police officers. The Board of Trustees would no longer make disability claims decisions. The number of members of the Board of Trustees would be reduced from 11 members to 5 members, including two citizens with expertise in disability or retirement systems, one City representative, and two representatives of members of the system.

The changes to the retirement system are expected to improve the future financial health of the City. Currently, the City faces a \$1.64 Billion dollar unfunded property tax liability for the Fire and Police Disability and Retirement system. Unless changes are made to the retirement system, this liability is expected to increase to over \$8 Billion dollars in 40 years time.

To change the retirement system, this measure would move all new police and firefighters into a funded retirement system. A funded retirement system means that property tax dollars would be collected and invested to reduce future property taxes. Changing the retirement system for new public safety officers is expected to increase the existing property tax levy rate in the short-term and decrease the rate in the long-term. The average annual residential property tax bill is expected to increase gradually by a maximum of \$111 in 26 years. Thereafter the average annual residential property tax bill will decline, decreasing by \$399 in year 40.

Submitted by: City of Portland City Council Mayor Tom Potter Commissioner Sam Adams Commissioner Randy Leonard Commissioner Dan Saltzman Commissioner Erik Sten

## **CITY OF PORTLAND**

## Measure No. 26-86

#### ARGUMENT FOR

I have been waiting a long time to be able to encourage support for a measure like this.

As a small business person from the East side, I know watching the bottom line is crucial to the success of any business. I understand the importance of good city services, but I want to make sure that there is real accountability for how our money is spent. That is why I am urging you to vote Yes on Measure 26-86.

We have all read about problems with the Fire and Police Disability system. One of the biggest problems with this system has been firefighters and police officers have been deciding who gets disability benefits. This Measure solves that conflict of interest by having decisions on disability awards made by neutral and independent experts.

Measure 26-86 makes changes to prevent fraud and abuse of the system and make the system more fair, and accountable.

This measure also ensures that independent audits of the disability system are completed. We deserve accountability from this system.

By changing to a more responsible pension system, Measure 26-86 will save taxpayer money and protect city services for the long term.

Please Vote Yes on Measure 26-86.

Ken Turner President, 82nd Avenue of Roses Business Association

This information furnished by: Ken Turner

## CITY OF WILSONVILLE

## Measure No. 3-231

#### **BALLOT TITLE**

## FIVE-YEAR LOCAL OPTION LEVY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY, LIBRARY, AND PARKS

**QUESTION:** Shall Wilsonville levy \$0.58/\$1,000 of assessed property value for five years beginning 2007-08 for police, library and parks maintenance services? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

**SUMMARY:** The measure proposes a five-year local option levy to increase services and pay the cost of inflation for public safety, library operations and programs, and parks and trail maintenance. The measure would fund additional police officers, including patrol deputies and a school resource officer. The Wilsonville Public Library would use the funds from the levy to Increase hours of operation, add programming for children, offer books online, and purchase circulation materials. The levy would also pay for increased maintenance needs due to new parks developed In the city and water features at Town Center Park and Murase Plaza at Memorial Park, as well as trail maintenance.

A home owner with a tax assessed value of \$250,000 would pay approximately \$145 the first year of the levy. The total amount estimated to be raised each fiscal year in:

- 2007-2008 \$1,320,000
- 2008-2009 \$1,447,000
- 2009-2010 \$1,569,000
- 2010-2011 \$1,680,000
- 2011-2012 \$1,765,000

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT** 

Over the past decade, Wilsonville has been one of the fastest growing cities in the Portland region and in the state of Oregon. It has added thousands of new residents and greatly expanded the number of commercial and retail businesses, and realized substantial growth in employment. However, during this same period, the city has not sought a property tax increase to support his greater demand for programs and services.

The result is the city no longer has the capacity to pay for new or expanding programs or for costs of inflation and must either increase General Fund revenues or cut programs and services, which are already below levels needed to meet the rising demand for them. Public safety, the library, and parks and trails maintenance are the most impacted programs. For instance:

Calls for police services have increased 40% over the past five years. Yet, the city's number of police officers has not increased by the same level. Given this demand for police services and the anticipated continued strong growth in both residents and commercial businesses, the current General Fund budget would not be able to support any additional police officers without reducing or eliminating other city programs or services. If this measure is approved, the city would hire additional police officers, including patrol deputies and a school resource officer.

The Wilsonville Public Library is one of the busiest libraries in the state and has been recognized for its outstanding children's programming. The library quadrupled in size in 2002 and circulation has increased 50% during that time, but staffing levels and operational funds for the larger building remain the same as they were prior to expansion. Support for library operations comes from the city's General Fund and from Clackamas County, which has reduced its funding for the library by 19% since 2001-02. Future County funding is uncertain. The levy would allow the library to increase hours of operation, add programming for children, offer books on-line, purchase circulation materials and cover inflationary costs of operations.

In the past five years, the city has made large investments in several new city parks including three major water features at the Water Treatment Plant, Town Center Park and Murase Plaza, and is constructing new and expanded trails. These parks and trails require maintenance not currently covered by the General Fund budget. Coupled with the overall raising use of parks by residents and additional park and open spaces under construction at Villebois and other areas, even greater levels of maintenance services will be necessary. The levy would fund these maintenance needs and support the investments taxpayers have made in its parks and trails.

This measure would levy \$0.58/\$1,000 of assessed property value for five years beginning 2007-08 to fund police, library and parks maintenance services. A homeowner with a tax assessed value of \$250,000 would pay approximately \$145 the first year of the levy. The average amount estimated to be raised each of the five years is approximately \$1.55 million.

This information furnished by: Arlene Loble City Manager

### Measure No. 26-80

#### **BALLOT TITLE**

## BONDS TO PRESERVE NATURAL AREAS, CLEAN WATER, PROTECT FISH, WILDLIFE

**QUESTION:** Shall Metro preserve natural areas; protect fish, wildlife; improve water quality; issue \$227.4 million in general obligation bonds; audit spending? 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:** Protects specific natural areas, lands near rivers and streams, wildlife and trail corridors through land acquisition and restoration. Funds specific local water quality, wildlife and park protection projects for local parks providers. Funds water quality and wildlife habitat restoration matching grant program for local communities. Requires 2 to 1 match for local community grants. Match may be met with volunteer hours. Approved bonds will:

- · Preserve specified natural areas
- Protect and restore watersheds for improved water quality
- · Protect streams, fish and wildlife
- Increase the presence of nature in neighborhoods

This measure directs Metro to buy and restore natural areas for the protection of water quality and preservation of fish and wildlife habitat for the benefit and enjoyment of current and future generations, establishes a citizens oversight committee and requires a yearly independent financial audit to be published in local newspapers. Bonds mature in not more than 20 years. Bond cost estimate is about 19 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value per year. The average homeowner in the region pays \$2.50-\$2.92 per month.

#### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

With passage of the Bond Measure, voters would direct Metro to protect natural areas and lands near rivers and streams throughout the Metro area, safeguarding the quality of our water while managing the impacts of growth and maintaining the Metro area's quality of life for future generations.

The \$227.4 million general obligation bond measure would provide:

- \$168.4 million for Metro to purchase, in 27 specifically identified target areas, regionally significant river and stream corridors, headwaters, wildlife areas, other natural areas and trail corridors to hold in public trust for their protection, enhancement and restoration of habitat for fish, wildlife and water quality. The target areas emphasize protection of natural area lands now in urban areas or in areas where development is likely to occur. Other target areas are designated to protect water quality inside the urban area. Target areas include: the Tualatin River and tributaries in the Stafford, Sherwood and Forest Grove areas; the Rock Creek watershed near Bethany in Washington County; the Clackamas River and tributaries near Damascus; headwaters and buttes such as Scouter Mountain, and Johnson Creek and tributaries in Washington and Clackamas County.
- \$44 million to be provided to 28 cities, counties and local park providers in the Metro area, on a per capita basis for: purchase of specifically identified natural areas, wildlife and trail corridors; for restoration and enhancement of water quality, fish and wildlife habitat; and for identified neighborhood parks and capital improvement projects providing public access use and education. Identified projects include: acquisition of lands along Erickson Creek and restoration of lands along Beaverton Creek in Beaverton; greenway acquisition along Orenco, Dawson, Bronson and Rock Creeks in Hillsboro; acquisition along Johnson Creek in the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District, acquisition of natural area adjacent to

Forest Park, in the Tryon Creek watershed, and along Johnson Creek and the Columbia Slough in Portland; and central Beaverton park and natural area acquisition and restoration in the Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District.

- \$15 million for a Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Program for schools, local neighborhood associations, community groups and other non-profits, cities, counties and public parks providers to provide funds to increase natural features and their ecological functions on public lands in neighborhoods, and to help ensure that every community enjoys clean water and nature as an element of its character and livability. Grants will be awarded competitively, and should be matched by the applicant with outside funding or in-kind services equivalent to twice the grant amount; and
- Establishes a citizen oversight committee and requires a yearly independent financial audit to be published in the local newspapers.

In the first year following its passage, the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure would likely cost property owners 19 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. For the average homeowner, the total annual cost is likely to be \$30-35 per year. That annual cost will likely decrease during the repayment period of the bonds, which will be no more than 20 years.

Submitted by: Michael J. Jordan Metro Chief Operating Officer

## Measure No. 26-80

#### ARGUMENT FOR

## There are a lot of worthy measures on the ballot. Here is why this one is different.

We live in a special place, with a connection to nature that other places have lost – if they ever had it at all. Our natural area, rivers and steams are right here, helping define a quality of life that we treasure as a heritage.

But that heritage is not guaranteed. We are growing fast, and that growth poses great challenges to the things we love about our part of Oregon.

Protecting our water, our land, and or way of life is a choice that we must make. The Natural Areas Parks and Streams Bond stands alone as a chance to protect the very place we live. And it is a smart, affordable and accountable way to do it

#### Here is what Measure 26-80 will do:

- Preserve natural areas throughout the metropolitan area, concentrating on the areas most threatened by growth.
- Protect and restore rivers and streams to improve water quality.
- · Protect natural areas and habitat for fish and wildlife
- Improve and complete neighborhood park and trail projects

## And Measure 26-80 creates a very high standard of accountability:

- The money can only be spent according to a detailed plan that you can review before you vote: visit www.savenaturalareas.org to read it.
- A citizen advisory committee will oversee the program.
- Measure 26-80 funds are subject to annual audits, published in the newspaper.

And what will protecting all this cost?

Less than \$3 per month for the average household.

This is an investment worth making.

And it is one that we would regret not making years from now.

Yes on 26-80.
It's about where we live.
And who we are.

This information furnished by: Matthew Reed Yes on 26-80, for Natural Areas, Parks and Streams

#### ARGUMENT FOR

# INDEPENDENT CITIZEN COMMITTEE APRROVED SCIENCE-BASED, SPECIFIC AND ACCOUNTABLE PLAN PROTECTING NATURAL AREAS, PARKS AND STREAMS

We, the undersigned citizen members of the Blue Ribbon Committee, developed and reviewed the proposed Natural Areas, Parks and Streams Measure, including its scientific basis, proposed implementation plan, impact on taxpayers and accountability mechanisms. We voted unanimously to support Measure 26-80 and recommended that the Metro Council refer it to voters.

#### Specific, Science-Based Plan

A team of biologists, ecologists and naturalists designed Measure 26-80 to protect the most ecologically sensitive lands in the region. Lands targeted for protection are the highest value natural areas for water quality, wildlife habitat and access to nature. These lands are under tremendous development pressure as we grow.

#### More Accountability

Measure 26-80 sets a high standard for accountability and taxpayer protection. It requires annual audits to be published in the newspaper and available for public review, and establishes a citizen oversight committee. The measure also requires money to be spent according to a detailed plan that voters can read <a href="mailto:before">before</a> the election at: <a href="https://www.savenaturalareas.org">www.savenaturalareas.org</a>.

The cost is between \$2.50 and \$2.92 per month for the average homeowner which will likely decrease during the repayment period of the bonds.

#### We urge your YES vote on Measure 26-80.

Fred Miller, Chair, Blue Ribbon Committee Fred Bruning, President, CenterCal Properties Richard Cantlin, Partner, Perkins Coie LLP Debbie Craig, Community Volunteer

Carol Dillin, Vice President for Government Affairs and Public Policy, PGE

John Griffiths, Board of Directors, Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District

Mike Houck, Director, Urban Greenspaces Institute Charles Jordan, Board Member, the Conservation Fund Lynn Lehrbach, Joint Council #37, Teamsters Union Lori Luchak, President, Miles Fiberglass Patricia McCaig, McCaig Communications and

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Randolph L. Miller, Chairman, The Moore Co.; Chairman,
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Don Morissette, President, Don Morissette Homes
Larry Sitz, President, Emerick Construction

Sara Vickerman, Senior Director, Biodiversity Partnerships, Defenders of Wildlife

Dilafruz Williams, Professor of education policy; Member, Portland School Board

This information furnished by: Fred Miller, Chair Blue Ribbon Committee

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## Measure No. 26-80

#### ARGUMENT FOR

#### IT'S ABOUT CLEAN WATER.

We depend on it.

Our families' health and the region's future depend on having a reliable supply of clean water. This measure will help maintain and improve water quality in the region's rivers and streams — many of which supply our drinking water.

Biologists, ecologists and naturalists identified target areas for protection that are the highest value natural areas for water quality and fish and wildlife habitat. Many of these areas are also some of the most vulnerable for development. Specifically, Measure 26-80 will:

- Protect and restore the Willamette River by protecting land along the river from Wilsonville to the Multnomah Channel;
- Protect critical natural areas along the Clackamas and Tualatin Rivers;
- Protect headwater creeks and streams like Johnson Creek, Rock Creek, Fanno Creek and Gales Creek that include spawning grounds for salmon and critical habitat for wildlife: and
- Clean up polluted storm water and protect groundwater quality to improve water quality.

It's not too late to protect and restore clean water resources in our region.

BUT WE MUST ACT NOW to protect water quality before growth and development overwhelm our fragile network of rivers, lakes and streams.

Join us in Voting YES on Measure 26-80 to protect clean water!

**Oregon Clean Water Action Project** WaterWatch of Oregon Willamette Riverkeeper Friends of Smith and Bybee Lakes Johnson Creek Watershed Council Friends of Oaks Bottom Wildlife Refuge **Clackamas River Basin Council** Columbia slough Watershed Council Tryon Creek Watershed Council Rock Creek Watershed Partners **Tualatin Riverkeepers** Fans of Fanno Creek Friends of Vermont Creek **Cedar Mill Creek Watershed Watch** Friends of Arnold Creek Three Rivers Land Conservancy The Wetlands Conservancy Fernhill Wetlands Council, Inc. **Oregon Council Trout Unlimited** Norman penner, President, Friends of Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge

This information furnished by: Matthew Reed Yes on 26-80, for Natural Areas, Parks and Streams

#### ARGUMENT FOR

Auditors Urge Your YES Vote on Measure 26-80

Measure 26-80 Requires Tough Accountability Provisions to Protect Taxpayers

As retired auditors, our job was to ensure that public money was spent responsibly and accountably. We understand how important it is to citizens and taxpayers that their money is spent wisely and as promised...

That's why we enthusiastically support the strong accountability measures contained within Measure 26-80.

Measure 26-80 requires:

- Annual independent audits that will be published in local newspapers.
- Citizen oversight through an advisory committee that will review projects funded with taxpayer dollars.
- That the money generated by the bond measure will be spent according to a specific, detailed plan to preserve clean water and natural areas. In addition to the plan outlined in the ballot measure's Explanatory Statement, voters can see the areas targeted for protection at www.savenaturalareas.org.

Measure 26-80 ensures our tax dollars will be spent as promised – to help protect and preserve natural areas, clean water and our unique quality of life.

It deserves your support.

Jewel Lansing, former Multnomah County and Portland City Auditor Anne Kelly Feeney, former Multnomah County Auditor Barbara Clark, retired Portland City Auditor

This information furnished by: Jewel Lansing, former Multnomah County and Portland City Auditor

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### Measure No. 26-80

#### ARGUMENT FOR

#### Scientists Urge A YES Vote on Measure 26-80 for Natural Areas, Parks, and Streams

Measure 26-80 will make it possible to protect and restore regionally and locally significant fish and wildlife habitat. These habitats include stream and river corridors, wetlands, and atrisk areas identified by ecologists and biologists as the highest priority for protection and restoration in the region.

Measure 26-80 will protect plant and animal species that live in our streams, forests, and wetlands in both the urban and rural landscape. The bond measure will help ensure that threatened and sensitive species like salmon, steelhead trout, bald eagles, peregrine falcons, purple martins, and western bluebirds, continue to co-exit with humans. Plant communities. like oak woodlands and wetlands that harbor both rare and common species of birds, mammals, and insects, will be protected and restored as well.

Measure 26-80 will improve water quality in our streams, rivers, and wetlands by helping control stormwater runoff, which degrades our streams, rivers and wetlands.

Measure 26-80 will protect air quality by preserving, and in some neighborhoods increasing, the region's urban forest canopy, which will reduce the "urban heat island effect" and cut down on ozone and other pollutants that are detrimental to the health of humans and ecosystems.

#### Please vote YES on Measure 26-80.

Heejun Chang, PhD, Hydrologist Geoffrey Duh, PhD Andrew G. Fountain, PhD, Geomorphologist Scott Hoffman Black, Ecologist and Entomologist Steve Johnson, PhD, Urban and Social Ecologist Tony Laska, PhD, Fish Biologist Noelwah R. Netusil, PhD, Professor of Economics Joe Poracsky, PhD, Geographer John Rueter, PhD, Environmental Scientist Ethan Seltzer, PhD, Urban Planner Bob Van Dyk, PhD, Professor, Forest Grove Alan Yeakley, PhD, Environmental Scientist

This information furnished by: Matthew Reed Yes on 26-80, for Natural Areas. Parks and Streams

#### ARGUMENT FOR

#### THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE COLUMBIA **RIVER REGION SUPPORTS MEASURE 26-80 Protect Water Quality, Natural Areas,** Fish and Wildlife Habitat

The League of Women Voters of the Columbia River Region urges you to Vote Yes on 26-80 to protect our area's unique quality of life and preserve our legacy of clean water and pristine natural areas as we grow.

#### Plan for growth

With more than one million new people expected in the next 25 years, the Portland metropolitan area faces increasing pressure on its rivers, streams and wildlife habitat. We must act now to protect the things that make this a great place to live.

#### **Protect Clean Water**

Our families' health and our region's future depend on clean water. Measure 26-80 will help protect and improve our rivers and streams—many of which supply our drinking water. Measure 26-80 will protect land along the Willamette, Clackamas and Tualatin Rivers and the major creeks and streams that feed them.

Preserve Natural Areas and Parks
Measure 26-80 includes more than 140 natural areas and park projects, like expanding Forest Park; improving trail connections from Wilsonville to Forest Park and Tigard to Damascus: protecting mountain tops from Gresham's buttes to Chehalem Ridge; and investing in our neighborhood parks.

#### **Tough Accountability**

And Measure 26-80 ensures that our tax dollars will be spent as promised:

- Funds can only be spent according to a specific, binding plan;
- Annual audits will published in the newspaper; and
- A citizen oversight committee will guide the program.

#### Protect Our Legacy for Less than \$3 a Month!

Measure 26-80 will cost the average property owner \$2.50 to \$2.92 a month. That's a small price to pay for our communities, our children and our future.

The League of Women Voters of the Columbia River Region Urges You to VOTE YES on Measure 26-80

This information furnished by: Joyce Lekas League of Woman Voters of the Columbia River Region

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### Measure No. 26-80

#### ARGUMENT FOR

## PROTECT RIVERS, STREAMS, NATURAL AREAS, FISH & WILDLIFE HABITAT

Audubon Society of Portland, The Trust for Public Land, Oregon Environmental Council, Friends of Trees, And The Sierra Club support Measure 26-80

**Measure 26-80** is our opportunity to preserve our region's quality of life and natural beauty as we grow, and to ensure that our children and grandchildren will be able to enjoy the same quality of life we do.

#### A Plan to Manage Growth

Our area is one of the fastest growing parts of the state and will add one million people in the next 25 years. **Measure** 26-80 helps plan for this growth and reduce its impact by protecting land that might otherwise be threatened by development.

Now is the time to pass this measure - if we don't act, more critically important natural areas and fish and wildlife habitat will be lost forever as our region continues to grow.

The lands targeted for protection by Measure 26-80 were carefully selected based on scientific and biological criteria, to ensure the most ecologically valuable lands for **fish and wild-life habitat and watersheds are protected.** 

#### Preserving Clean Water

Maintaining and improving water quality in the region's rivers and streams is essential to our quality of life and a central component of the bond measure.

Measure 26-80 specifically protects land around major rivers like the **Willamette, Clackamas and Tualatin,** as well as smaller streams and creeks, including Johnson, Fanno, and Tryon Creeks. The measure also provides funds to restore watersheds, clean up polluted storm water and protect groundwater supplies.

We urge you to support Measure 26-80.

For clean water today and a legacy we can be proud of.

We hope you join us in VOTING YES ON 26-80.

This information furnished by: Meryl Redisch, Executive Director Audubon Society of Portland

#### ARGUMENT FOR

# MEASURE 26-80 PROVIDES DIRECT BENEFITS TO CITIES IN WASHINGTON, MUTLNOMAH AND CLACKAMAS COUNTIES

Local mayors unite in support of Natural Areas, Parks and Streams.

By passing measure 26-80, voters will <u>safeguard the quality of our water</u> while managing the impacts of growth and maintaining our area's quality of life for future generations.

As Mayors, we've seen firsthand how our communities have grown and changed in the last decade. And we know there's more to come. In the next 25 years, another one million people will be living in the area. Measure 26-80 helps us protect the quality of life in our communities.

Measure 26-80 directs Metro to protect natural areas and lands near rivers and streams throughout the metropolitan area by providing money to local communities. Local cities, counties and park providers in the Metro area will be able to:

- Preserve specified natural areas, wildlife and trail corridors:
- Protect and restore watersheds for improved water quality; and
- Preserve fish and wildlife habitat.

As important as the local and regional benefits are, we support Measure 26-80 because it also includes <u>strong accountability standards</u> to ensure the money is spent as promised, <u>including a citizen oversight committee and requiring a yearly independent financial audits to be published in local newspapers</u>.

Please join us in voting YES for our communities, and YES on Measure 26-80.

Beaverton Mayor Rob Drake
Fairview Mayor Mike Weatherby
Forest Grove Mayor Richard G. Kidd
Gresham Mayor Charles J. Becker
Happy Valley Mayor Eugene Grant
Hillsboro Mayor Tom Hughes
Lake Oswego Mayor Judie Hammerstad
Chuck Faes, Mayor, The City of King City
Milwaukie Mayor Jim Bernard
Oregon City Mayor Alice Norris
Portland Mayor Tom Potter
Tigard Mayor Craig Dirksen
Troutdale Mayor Paul Thalhofer
Wilsonville Mayor Charlotte Lehan
Wood Village Mayor David Fuller

This information furnished by: Matthew Reed Yes on 26-80, for Natural Areas, Parks and Streams

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## Measure No. 26-80

#### ARGUMENT FOR

#### **Local Small Businesses Support Measure 26-80**

As local small business owners and business associations in Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington Counties, we urge you to join us in voting YES on Measure 26-80.

We know that protecting our clean water, natural areas and fish and wildlife habitat is essential to maintaining a healthy local economy and attracting and retaining a quality workforce. We believe Measure 26-80 is balanced and reasonable at less than \$3.00 a month for an average homeowner.

Measure 26-80 also includes tough accountability provisions to ensure the money is spent as promised, including annual audits and citizen oversight. To see the detailed plan, go to www.savenaturalareas.org.

Please join us in VOTING YES on Measure 26-80.

North Clackamas County Chamber of Commerce

Wilsonville Chamber of Commerce

Columbia Corridor Association

Advanced M&D Sales, Inc.

Ash Creek Forest Management, LLC, Tigard

Backyard Bird Shop, Gresham, Wood Village, Clackamas,

Lake Oswego and Beaverton

Bernard's Garage, Milwaukie

Bike Gallery, Portland, Beaverton and Lake Oswego

C&E Systems, SW Portland

CenterCal Properties, Gresham

Chavez Lumber, Sherwood

Clear Creek Distillery

DCC Consulting, Inc.

Denham Construction, Inc., Tigard

Domestic Arts, NE Portland

First American Title, SW Portland

Five Star Signs. Inc.

Forest Capital Partners, LLC, SW Portland

Fregonese Calthorpe Associates, SW Portland

The Gardensmith. Milwaukie

GeoPacific Engineering, Inc.

Hamilton Realty, Principal Broker

Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland Thomas T. Joseph, President, Personalized Dry Cleaning.

Lake Oswego, Clackamas, Portland

Landels Construction Inc.

Landscape Oregon, Inc.

Jeffrey M. Lang, Gales Creek Insurance Services, Portland Lean Path, Inc., SW Portland Logotek, Inc., West Linn

Miles Fiberglass, Oregon City

Don Morissette Homes, Lake Oswego Northern Lights Marketing, SW Portland

Pacific Lumber Company, Lake Oswego Ron Paul Consulting, NW Portland Renaissance Homes, Lake Oswego

Lyndon Ruhnke, PC

South Waterfront Discovery Center

Steward Construction Corp.

Tandem Design, Inc., NW Portland
Tilbury, Ferguson & Neuburg, Inc., NW Portland

Wells Development Company, LLC, Lake Oswego

Williams & Dame Development, Inc.

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This information furnished by: Matthew Reed Yes on 26-80, for Natural Areas, Parks and Streams

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#### ARGUMENT FOR

#### PARENTS, TEACHERS AND CHILDRÉN'S ADVOCATES SAY VOTE YES ON MEASURE 26-80

As parents, teachers and advocates for children, we know that learning happens both in and outside the classroom. That's why we enthusiastically support Measure 26-80.

Our region's parks and natural areas are also outdoor classrooms for our kids, providing unique environmental education opportunities in natural settings close to home. Measure 26-80 will increase environmental education opportunities across the region.

Preserving clean water, abundant wildlife, and access to parks and natural areas will ensure our children and grandchildren will enjoy the same quality of life we do

And at less than \$3 a month, Measure 26-80 is a small price to pay for a big investment in our kids' future.

#### **VOTE YES!**

Stand for Children-Portland Chapter Jonah Edelman, Executive Director, Stand for Children Karen Akers, School Secretary, N. Portland Joshua Alpert, Parent, Portland Margaret Armstrong, Teacher, Beaverton Laura Baxter, Parent, Portland Tom Beck, Retired Professor, Forest Grove Eric Brattain. Teacher. Forest Grove Ben Cannon, Teacher, Tualatin Cheyne Cumming, Teacher, NW Portland Meghan DeNiro, Teacher, NE Portland Kristine Dillon, Parent, Sherwood Elena Frank, Parent, Garden Home Jackie Furrer, Teacher, Tualatin Paul Grosjean, Parent, Pleasant Valley Gary Hancock, 5th Grade Teacher Jane Harold, Teacher, Lake Oswego Jim Hartmann, West Linn Teacher Michael Horrigan, Teacher, Beaverton Faun Hosey, Parent, Hillsboro Lyn Jacobs, Parent, Hillsboro Nancy Johnson, Teacher, SE Portland Ben Keller, Teacher, SE Portland Tim Kniser, Teacher, NE Portland Sam Koss, Teacher, Beaverton Sara Kral, Parent, Tigard Bernard Lahart, Speech Pathologist, NE Portland Shirley Lewton, Teacher, NE Portland Sue Manning, Teacher, Tigard Jeanne Marston, Parent, Hillsboro Ginny Peckinpaugh, Parent, SE Portland Geoff Roach, Parent, Portland Sherri Rood, Parent, NE Portland Doug Sammons, Teacher, SE Portland Charles F. Sams III, Parent, Portland Esther Shepsman, Tualatin Teacher Elaine Stewart, Parent, Cedar Mill Angela Van Patten, Parent, SE Portland Lori Waldo, Parent, Bethany Julie Ward, Teacher Susan Webb, Teacher, NE Portland

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## Measure No. 26-80

#### ARGUMENT FOR

## PROTECT THE WILLAMETTE, TUALATIN AND CLACKAMAS RIVERS

Vote Yes on Measure 26-80

Our rivers and streams are suffering the effects of growth and development. Hundreds of miles of the Willamette, Clackamas and Tualatin Rivers and their streams are in need of protection and restoration, according to scientists.

Measure 26-80 will help restore the Willamette, Tualatin and the Clackamas Rivers and the many streams and creeks that feed into them. By protecting critical land along rivers, lakes, and streams across the region, Measure 26-80 will help maintain and improve water quality as we grow.

Protecting land along rivers and streams is critically important to reduced polluted storm water run-off, to preserve habitat for fish and wildlife, and to protect groundwater and other sources of our drinking water. **Measure 26-80** is a smart investment in a clean water future.

Our quality of life depends on maintaining healthy rivers and streams close to home. Measure 26-80's protection and restoration projects were carefully chosen to invest in the most important and most threatened lands today, before they are harmed by development.

The longer we wait, the more natural areas, rivers and stream banks we will lose to development and the more expensive it will be to protect water and wildlife in the region.

Vote Yes on Measure 26-80 for Clean Rivers and Streams!

Willamette Riverkeeper Johnson Creek Watershed Council **Tualatin Riverkeepers** Clackamas River Basin Council **Columbia Slough Watershed Council Tryon Creek Watershed Council Three Rivers Land Conservancy Rock Creek Watershed Partners Cedar Mill Creek Watershed Watch** WaterWatch of Oregon Fans of Fanno Creek Friends of Arnold Creek **Friends of Vermont Creek Oregon Council Trout Unlimited** Friends of Smith and Bybee Lakes Friends of Oaks Bottom Wildlife Refuge The Wetlands Conservancy Fernhill Wetlands Council. Inc. Norman Penner, President, Friends of **Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge Oregon Clean Water Action Project** 

This information furnished by: Matthew Reed Yes on 26-80, for Natural Areas, Parks and Streams

#### **ARGUMENT FOR**

THE NATURE CONSERVANCY Recommends a YES VOTE for Measure 26-80

The Natural Areas, Parks and Streams measure is a unique opportunity to safeguard our region's quality of life for our children and grandchildren.

#### Clean Water

Clean drinking water depends on healthy streams, lakes and rivers. Measure 26–80 directs Metro's Regional Government to follow a specific, binding plan to purchase and protect natural areas especially around rivers and streams.

This measure will improve water quality in the Willamette, Clackamas, Sandy and Tualatin rivers, and in streams and creeks including Johnson, Fanno, Rock, Tryon and many others.

#### Fish and Wildlife Habitats

Oregonians love seeing healthy fish in our streams and watching wildlife in our parks and natural areas. We know wildlife can thrive even around cites - but it takes planning and investing for the future.

Scientists from The Nature Conservancy and others have identified the highest priority natural areas to protect for clean water and wildlife across the Metro region.

Now is the time to pass Measure 26-80 – because the longer we wait, the more expensive it will be to protect the critical lands and waters our fish and wildlife need to survive

#### We're Growing

This is an incredibly special place to live, work, play and raise a family. But it's no secret. Over the next 25 years, 1 million new residents will make their homes in Multnomah, Clackamas or Washington counties.

That many people will have a huge impact. But if we take responsibility for our future, plan ahead for growth and invest in our natural areas, rivers and streams, we can save what we love about Oregon.

#### Cost

For less than \$3 dollars per month for an average household, Measure 26-80 will produce tangible, local benefits – protecting water quality, natural areas, and healthy habitats for fish and wildlife – right in our own communities. That's a tremendous gift to ourselves and to future generations.

VOTE YES ON 26-80

This information furnished by: Russell Hoeflich The Nature Conservancy

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## Measure No. 26-80

#### **ARGUMENT FOR**

#### Support Our PARKS and TRAILS Support Measure 26-80

The region's parks and recreation system has a scope, ambition and vitality most cities can only dream of. The green spaces, gardens, forests, swimming pools and playing fields are truly our community's backyard. Neighborhoods affectionately borrow their names, and identities, from the parks they adjoin. Kids of all ages enjoy and depend on our parks, for ball games and learning to swim, family picnics and peaceful nature walks.

By all yardsticks, the region's network of parks works. We use them. Cherish them. They teach us. Bring us together. Draw new business and national acclaim through the quality of life they provide.

But our parks have always depended on visionaries. Even at the outset, when Portland itself was largely wilderness, there were those setting aside green spaces to enjoy in perpetuity.

As the region grows, it is vital that are parks and trails keep pace. With more than 140 local projects across the region, Measure 26-80 is a wise investment – permanently protecting natural areas and parkland for our enjoyment for generations to come

Pass on our legacy of parks and recreation to our kids and grandkids by voting YES on Measure 26-80!

Portland Parks Foundation
Friends of North Clackamas Park
Friends of Powell Butte Nature Park
Rock Creek Watershed Partners
Friends of Forest Park
Tualatin Riverkeepers
Friends of Tryon Creek State Park
Fans of Fanno Creek
Jeff Tryens, Portland Parks Board member
(partial list)

This information furnished by: Linda G. Laviolette, Executive Director Portland Parks Foundation

#### ARGUMENT FOR

## MEASURE 26-80 PRESERVES FISH AND WILDLIFE HABITAT

Scientists agree that clean water and open space are critical to preserving fish and wildlife health and habitat. Today, in the Portland metropolitan area, that habitat is being threatened by growth and development.

Measure 26-80 protects lands that were carefully selected based on scientific and biological criteria, to ensure the most ecologically valuable lands for fish and wildlife habitat and watersheds are protected.

Measure 26-80 protects lands along the **Willamette River** from Wilsonville to the Multnomah Channel. It protects the **Clackamas** and **Tualatin Rivers** and the major creeks and streams that feed them–including key spawning grounds for salmon and other fish.

Measure 26-80 also protects important wildlife corridors, connecting Forest Park to Rock Creek, undeveloped bluffs along the Clackamas and forested buttes form Gresham to Damascus.

Protect our region's fish and wildlife habitat for salmon, elk and bald eagles.

#### Join us in voting YES for Measure 26-80!

Norman Penner, President, Friends of Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge

The Wetlands Conservancy Oregon Council Trout Unlimited Friends of Oaks Bottom Wildlife Refuge Fernhill Wetlands Council Three Rivers Land Conservancy Friends of Smith and Bybee Lakes Clackamas River Basin Council Columbia Slough Watershed Council Cedar Mill Creek Watershed Watch WaterWatch of Oregon Tryon Creek Watershed Council Tualatin Riverkeepers Friends of Vermont Creek Johnson Creek Watershed Council Rock Creek Watershed Partners Friends of Arnold Creek Oregon Clean Water Action Project Fans of Fanno Creek Willamette Riverkeeper

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## Measure No. 26-80

#### ARGUMENT FOR

#### A LEGACY FOR OUR GRANDCHILDREN

As grandparents, we often worry about the kind of Oregon that our grandchildren will inherit. Measure 26-80 will allow our grandkids to grow up in the kind of Oregon that we grew up in – a beautiful and healthy community.

Every day we see more and more people moving into the neighborhood, and we try to be good neighbors. But we can't help but think that with all of these new people, we are not going to have any more places for our grandchildren to explore and play in.

Measure 26-80 solves that problem by preserving land not just for our grandchildren, but for ALL of our grandchildren. Not only that, but Measure 26-80 will create new parks and trails, allowing families to spend more time together hiking, biking and enjoying the things that have made Oregon special to us. And Measure 26-80 will result in a healthier environment for us, our families, and future generations by protecting and improving our rivers and streams.

What's more, Measure 26-80 cost less than \$3 a month, which for us is very important. As the cost of nearly everything keeps going up, we are faced with tough choices. But because Measure 26-80 costs so little, we don't have to choose between being responsible grandparents and cutting back on other necessities.

And because the funds raised from Measure 26-80 can only be spent on a specific plan, with a citizen oversight committee and an independent audit to make sure that the money is begin used correctly, we don't have to worry that politicians will squander our hard-earned dollars.

Please join us in voting YES on Measure 26-80. Let's give our kids and grandkids the Oregon that we got to grow up in; an Oregon that we can ALL be proud of.

-Murray Kaufman and Hildegarde Zuckerman

This information furnished by: Matthew Reed Yes on 26-80, for Natural Areas, Parks and Streams

#### ARGUMENT FOR

Audubon Society of Portland Urges You to Vote Yes on Measure 26-80!

We live in a special region, uniquely endowed with a rich diversity of native fish and wildlife that still inhabit and migrate through our urban environment. We currently enjoy access to nature matched by few cities around the world. These values support a tradition of stewardship that believes in creating communities where people and wildlife can flourish together. That means protecting a space of nature in our neighborhoods to sustain viable populations of native fish and wildlife as our region continues to grow.

Despite past successes in protecting natural areas, habitat loss from development in our region still outpaces protection. Over the last decade the region lost over 16,000 acres of habitat, an area larger than the City of Gresham. By the year 2030 over 1 million new people will live in the Portland-Metro region, adding pressure to develop environmentally sensitive lands.

Measure 26-80 represents the most important opportunity in a decade to protect our highest-value fish and wildlife habitats and safeguard the clean water that sustains fish, wildlife and people throughout the entire region. It will also ensure that more of our children live in neighborhoods with access to parks and natural areas. At Audubon Society of Portland, we see first hand how access to nature enhances children's concentration, sense of place, and self-worth. Having nature nearby is among the basic necessities for kids to effectively learn, grow, and thrive in an equal opportunity society.

Past generations demonstrated tremendous foresight in purchasing and protecting many of the outstanding public parks and natural areas we enjoy and benefit from today.

Lets leave a similar legacy for future generations by protecting the region's highest value natural areas!

The staff, board, and members of Audubon Society of Portland Urge You to Vote Yes on Measure 26-80!

Meryl Redisch, Executive Director Bob Sallinger, Urban Conservation Director Mike Houck, Urban Naturalist Jim Labbe, Urban Conservationist

This information furnished by: Meryl Redisch

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### **METRO**

# Measure No. 26-80

### ARGUMENT FOR

#### FOR BETTER HEALTH...SUPPORT MEASURE 26-80.

- "Physical inactivity and poor diet are responsible for an estimated 400,000 deaths annually from coronary heart disease, colon cancer, stroke, and diabetes.
- "Parks, trails and greenways not only provide a lowcost and fun way for people of all ages to increase their physical activity levels but also can provide other health and environment benefits to communities."
  - Active Living By Design Primer Fact Sheet

Measure 26-80 promotes active living and improves access to neighborhood parks, natural areas, rivers and streams close to home. By improving and completing trails throughout the region–from the Westside Trail in Washington County to the Willamette River Greenway and Springwater Corridor along Johnson Creek–Measure 26-80 creates new opportunities for exercise, better design for our communities and healthier living.

And by protecting natural areas and land along rivers and streams, Measure 26-80 will help secure for future generations the clean air and water essential for good health.

#### Please vote YES for Measure 26-80.

American Heart Association
Oregon Nurses Association
Active Living by Design
Upstream Public Health
Dick Stenson, President and CEO, Tuality Healthcare
Kristine Dillon, P.N.P
Diane Drum, RN
Kipenda Hervey, Registered Nurse, N. Portland
Lyn Jacobs, Physician, Hillsboro
Jeanne Marston, Retired Nurse, Hillsboro
Maye Thompson, RN, PhD
Marie Valleroy, MD

This information furnished by: Martin Taylor, Director of Health Policy Oregon Nurses Association

### ARGUMENT FOR

NATURAL AREAS, PARKS AND STREAMS ADD VALUE TO OUR HOMES, BUSINESSES, AND COMMUNITIES

Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland Supports Measure 26-80

As homebuilders from across the Portland metropolitan area, we are committed to preserving and enhancing the region's quality of life. Measure 26-80 helps create stronger communities and helps protect the environment as we grow. That's why we urge you to join us in supporting this measure.

For a great equality of life, we need thriving businesses, a vibrant community, and a healthy environment.

#### Measure 26-80 is good for our economy.

Our region's natural beauty provides an economic advantage over other communities. Our economic growth has been defined not just by what we have developed, but also by what we have chosen not to develop. Measure 26-80 will helps the region keep its economic edge by protecting the rivers and streams, natural areas and parklands that add value to our homes and business

Measure 26-80 will make our communities even better places to live and work.

Measure 26-80 will add to our quality of life by improving access to parks and preserving natural areas to enjoy near our neighborhoods. It will create new places for our children to play, to explore, and to learn.

At less than \$3 per month for the average homeowner, we can all have a part in preserving and enhancing our quality of life.

Join Us in Voting YES on Measure 26-80!

This information furnished by: James E. McCauley Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland

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### **METRO**

### Measure No. 26-80

### ARGUMENT FOR

# OREGON FAMILY FARMERS AND NURSERY OWNERS SUPPORT MEASURE 26-80

As family farmers and nursery owners from Washington, Clackamas and Multnomah Counties, we respectfully ask our fellow Oregonians to vote YES ON MEASURE 26-80 to protect the region's farm and forestlands.

Measure 26-80 will preserve clean water needed for farms, and provide buffer areas to protect working farms from being harmed by continued development.

This area has some of the best soils and most productive farmland in the country. Washington and Clackamas Counties are two of the to five agricultural counties in Oregon. But growth and development pressures make farming near urban areas much more difficult.

Measure 26-80 helps protect the economic, environmental, cultural and scenic values of our family farms as the region grows.

Please join local family farms and nurseries in supporting Measure 26-80.

Oregon Agricultural Alliance Don Kruger, Kruger Farms Peter McDonald, Inchinnan Farm, Wilsonville Sara Kral, Scholls Valley Native Nursery Shari Raider, Sauvie island Organic Farm Morning Star Farm, Forest Grove La Finquita del Buho, Farm, Hillsboro Marcus Simantel Friends of Zenger Farm

This information furnished by: Matthew Reed Yes on 26-80, for Natural Areas, Parks and Streams

### **ARGUMENT FOR**

# MEASURE 26-80: A SPECIFIC PLAN WITH REAL BENEFITS HERE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY

When Measure 26-80 passes, Washington County residents will benefit from the following projects. For more details of each project, visit www.savenaturalareas.org.

#### Water Quality Improvement and Wetlands Projects

- -Killin Wetland, Forest Grove/Banks
- -King City Park, King City
- -Fanno Creek Linkages, Beaverton/Durham
- -Beaverton Creek, Beaverton
- -Wapato Lake, Forest Grove
- -Dairy and McKay Creeks Confluence
- -Chehalem Ridgetop to Refuge, Forest Grove/Hillsboro
- -Wapato Lake, Forest Grove
- -Rock Creek Headwaters and Greenway, Hillsboro/Beaverton

#### **Protection of Wildlife Habitat and Forestland**

- -Cooper Mountain, Beaverton
- -Sexton Mountain, Beaverton
- -Council Creek, Cornelius
- -Heron Grove Park, Durham
- -Chehalem Ridgetop to Refuge, Forest Grove/Hillsboro
- -Lower Tualatin Headwaters, Sherwood
- -Tonquin Geologic Area, Tualatin/Wilsonville

#### **Neighborhood Parks and Natural Areas Improvements**

- -Central Area Park, Beaverton
- -Beaverton Creek Trail and Park, Beaverton
- -Southwest Area Park and Natural Area, Beaverton
- -Free Orchard Park, Cornelius
- -New Upland Park, Cornelius
- -Council Creek, Cornelius
- -Thatcher Park, Forest Grove
- -Lincoln Park, Forest Grove
- -Natural Area, Sherwood
- -Jordan-Husen Park, Beaverton
- -Stites Nature Park, Forest Grove
- -Senior Center to Stella Olsen Park, Sherwood

#### Hiking and Biking Trail Improvements

- -Cooper Mountain, Beaverton
- -Fanno Creek Linkages, Beaverton/Durham
- -Westside Trail, Beaverton/ Tigard
- -Beaverton Creek Trail and Park, Beaverton
- -Council Creek, Cornelius
- -Heron Grove Park, Durham
- -Gales Creek, Forest Grove
- -Stites Nature Park, Forest Grove -Rock Creek Greenway Trail, Hillsboro
- -Dawson Creek, Hillsboro.
- -Orenco Creek, Hillsboro
- -Beaverton Creek, Hillsboro
- -Bronson Creek, Hillsboro
- -Edy Road, Sherwood -Senior Center to Stella Olsen Park, Sherwood
- -Cedar Creek, Sherwood
- -Bethany Area, Washington County

And all this for less the \$3.00 per month. Vote "YES" on Measure 26-80.

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### **METRO**

# Measure No. 26-80

### ARGUMENT AGAINST

#### Is Metro in the farming business?

Why is Metro proposing to use your tax dollars to buy up farm land **outside** of the Metro boundaries and far from where you live?

Is it to prevent development of natural areas?

NO!! Many of the proposed areas for purchase are zoned farm or forest land and there are no plans to expand the Urban Growth Boundary in that direction.

Is it to protect water quality or wildlife?

NO!! Stewardship of these lands are already addressed by landowners and your local government under current zoning, which protects water quality and wildlife.

Is it to gain control of land which is outside of Metro's jurisdiction and influence the actions of those who have no vote at Metro?

Yes!! Local residents around many of the porposed purchase areas, have no vote at Metro nor do they get to vote on the Greenspace Bond measure. Yet, they will feel the impact of metro as a neighbor if this measure passes. They will have no representative at Metro when greenspace land management impacts local agricultural enterprises.

Metro has bought off local governments by offering a percentage of the funds to them their own greenspace purchases. In reality, much of your money will be spent in another jurisdiction other than Metro. **Yet, you pay the taxes!** 

Please tell Metro to keep the greenspace program within its own boundaries.

Vote NO on greenspace bond measure 26-80

This information furnished by: Washington County Commissioner Andy Duyck

# Measure No. 34-139

### **BALLOT TITLE**

# GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO CONSTRUCT AND UPGRADE SCHOOLS

**QUESTION:** Is Beaverton School District authorized to issue general obligation bonds not exceeding \$195,000,000 to build, expand and improve its 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 provide funds to finance capital construction and improvements, including providing funds to build and furnish new schools, add classroom space, expand, upgrade and renovate existing schools and facilities, acquire land for future facilities, and pay bond costs. Specifically, this measure would:

- Construct and furnish two new elementary schools.
- · Construct and furnish two option high schools.
- Add classroom space at several existing elementary schools, Sunset and Southridge high schools, and the Arts & Communication Magnet Academy.
- Renovate and upgrade classrooms, libraries and cafeterias in existing buildings.
- Replace roofs, heating, ventilation and plumbing systems, and make other safety and security improvements.
- · Purchase land for future school facilities.
- · Pay associated bond issuance and building costs.

This measure would cost property owners an estimated average of 51 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value per vear.

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

In the last five years, Beaverton School District's enrollment has increased by over 3,000 students. According to district facilities planning data, most elementary schools are near or over 100% of capacity, and four of the five comprehensive high schools are over 105% of capacity. Enrollment projections by the school district and the Portland State Population Research Center estimate that nearly 4,000 new students are expected to enroll in Beaverton schools by the year 2010.

#### What Would the Bond Do?

If approved by voters, the \$195,000,000 bond would address capacity and infrastructure needs for the next four years.

Proceeds from bond measure #34-139 would help the Beaverton School District to:

- Construct new schools and build additional class rooms in existing schools
- Renovate and upgrade existing schools and facilities
- Purchase land for future school facilities

Here is what it would do:

# Construct New Schools and Build Additional Classrooms in Existing Schools

The majority of the school bond measure would add new capacity by the following:

- Build two new elementary schools and two option high schools.
- Add additional classrooms at several existing elementary schools, Sunset and Southridge high schools and the

Arts & Communication Magnet Academy.

 Renovate and upgrade classrooms, libraries and cafeterias in existing buildings.

#### Renovate and Upgrade Existing Schools and Facilities

The bond measure would also renovate and improve the district's existing elementary, middle and high schools and other district facilities. Improvements would include replacing roofs, upgrading life safety and security systems, plumbing systems, and ventilation and heating systems.

#### **Purchase Land for Future School Facilities**

The school bond measure would provide funding to purchase land now for future school construction. For example, when the district bought the land for Southridge High School in 1971, the cost was \$4,400 per acre. Land in many parts of the Beaverton School District service area now costs over \$400,000 per acre, according to area realtors.

#### What Will the Bond Cost?

This bond measure would cost the property taxpayer in the Beaverton School District an estimated average of 51 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value per year during the life of the bonds.

### Informing the Public

The Beaverton School District would report progress on bond projects monthly to citizens as part of the regular school board meeting, website updates, and through periodic updates directly to the community.

Submitted by: Jerome E. Colonna Superintendent

NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

# Measure No. 34-139

### **ARGUMENT FOR**

#### Vote YES for Beaverton's School Bond A Reasonable Investment We Need Now

We all count on the quality of our schools, whether or not we have children or grandchildren in them. They are central to the strength of our neighborhoods and economy. And we will rely on the children they educate.

We have great schools in Beaverton. But thanks to the growth in our population they are out of room with 37,157 students enrolled this year:

- Most elementary schools are <u>near or over</u> capacity and all high schools are <u>over</u> capacity.
- and all high schools are <u>over</u> capacity.
  732 additional students enrolled this fall and 4,000 more are expected by 2010.
- 200 portable trailer classrooms crowd campuses stretching schools above their designed capacity.

Overcrowding impacts learning and academic achievement. We need more space NOW!

Beaverton's Bond passed overwhelmingly last spring but did not achieve Oregon's double-majority requirement. Meanwhile, inflation and increased building expenses of 17-30% makes every delay more costly.

#### To relieve overcrowding, Measure 34-139 will:

- Build two new elementary schools and two option high schools to relieve overcrowding.
- Add additional classrooms at several existing elementary schools, Sunset and Southridge high schools and the Arts & Communication Magnet Academy.
- Upgrade or increase capacity in classrooms, libraries and cafeterias in existing buildings.

# Measure 34-139 allows for critical repairs to aging buildings by:

- · Fixing leaky roofs
- · Upgrading fire safety and security equipment.
- Improving ventilation and heating systems
- Protecting the investment we have in our school facilities.

#### Our money will be well spent.

Beaverton Schools has an excellent record of financial accountability. When the district received more state money than anticipated in 2003, it decided not to collect the second year of our local option tax. Plus, the board has recommended additional processes to ensure the effective management of bond funds maximizing dollars to address critical capacity needs.

Protect Our Quality Schools! Give Kids Room to Learn! Vote YES on Measure 34-139.

This information furnished by: Karen Cunningham, Co-Chair Citizens for School Support

### ARGUMENT FOR

# LOCAL BUSINESS LEADERS SAY BEAVERTON'S BOND MAKES SENSE

As Beaverton business leaders, we believe schools are the foundation of a healthy economy. They prepare students for college and work and contribute to a vibrant community.

Our family owned companies, *Pacific Office Automation, Platt Electric Supply, Inc.* and *Reser's Fine Foods* have been members of this community for more than half a century.

We hire many Beaverton graduates who are well-prepared for their jobs. Our own children benefited from excellent Beaverton public school educations.

# To maintain quality education in Beaverton, we must address the explosive growth in our schools NOW.

In May, we urged you to Vote **YES** for Beaverton's School Bond. Most of you did, although the bond did not achieve Oregon's double-majority requirement.

The delay has made the situation more critical. Building materials have increased 17-30% since May. Increased oil and gas prices, plus additional permitting requirements have impacted how far bond dollars can stretch.

Enrollment continues to grow with projections for another 4,000 by 2010. Most Beaverton elementary schools are at or over capacity and ALL high schools are over capacity.

- Measure 34-139 allows for future planning by buying land at today's prices for tomorrow.
- It protects our investment with seismic upgrades and repairs to leaky roofs, outdated fire and security systems and old heating systems.

As business owners we watch the bottom line. Beaverton schools are accountable. They did not collect the second year of our local option tax when the district received additional state funding due to an improved Oregon economy and they have factored in a building materials contingency and will hire a construction accountant to maximize bond dollars to address critical overcrowding.

Strong schools help Beaverton attract good companies and recruit the talent needed for economic growth.

Measure 34-139 is a reasonable and good investment.

### **VOTE YES!**

Terry Newsom, Pacific Office Automation Harvey Platt, Platt Electric Supply, Inc. Marty Reser, Reser's Fine Foods

This information furnished by: Priscilla Turner Citizens for School Support

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## Measure No. 34-139

### ARGUMENT FOR

#### LOCAL PARENTS IN SUPPORT OF EDUCATION

As parent volunteers in classrooms, Parent Teacher Organizations, Site Councils and Local School Committees across Beaverton, we are constantly in our schools. **We've seen how Beaverton's school population is exploding.** 19 of 31 elementary schools have enrollment near or over 100%. All of our high schools are over capacity.

Over 200 portable classrooms jam campuses across our district. Crowded classrooms mean larger class sizes, reducing individual attention teachers can give students. Classrooms serve more kids than they were designed to hold. Cafeterias, hallways, bathrooms and libraries are strained.

#### Measure 34-139 will:

- Build two new elementary schools, a Medical Magnet and a Science Option High School to relieve overcrowding
- Remodel to add classrooms across the district and increase capacity in strained libraries and cafeterias

#### It will make critical repairs to:

- Fix leaky roofs
- Repair aging heating/ventilation systems
- Renovate outdated fire and security systems and improve seismic preparedness

As a community, we voted overwhelmingly to support this measure in May but it did not achieve Oregon's double majority requirement. Further delay jeopardizes the district's ability to offer high quality education and a safe learning environment to our children.

The Beaverton School District is one of the best in Oregon. It is well managed and provides the services and quality education our children need to succeed. Our school board has systems in place to ensure that bond dollars will be maximized to address overcrowding.

Kids need room to learn. Vote  $\underline{\textbf{YES}}$  to invest in our children and the future.

Debbie Osborne (Westview)
Frank & Julie Noonan (Beaverton)
Deborah Nadell (Findley)
Christina Trillinger (Sunset)
Tanya Phillips (CooperMountain/
Beaverton)

Matthew & Diane McKean (Bethany) Dan Maks (Southridge) Lisa Stember (CedarMill) Gina Atwood (Findley) Suzanne Bonamici (ACMA)

Steve Sall (Aloha)
David Golder (NancyRyles)
Antoinette Gregoire (OakHills)
Deb Habel (RaleighPark, Whitford/International School)
Denise Velaski (Beaverton)
Julia Churchill (Findley)
Audrey Schiefelbein (Aloha/ACMA)
Denise VonNagy (Hazeldale)
Michele McKinnon-Fricke (Westview)

This information furnished by: Denise A. Von Magy

### ARGUMENT FOR

# SENIOR CITIZENS URGE A $\underline{\mathsf{YES}}$ VOTE FOR BEAVERTON SCHOOLS

Thank you for your overwhelming support of Beaverton's School Bond last spring. As citizens who care about schools, we ask you to vote, again, for the bond you supported in May.

Our community has continued to grow – 732 additional students enrolled this fall. Portable trailer classrooms line our campuses.

Many schools need critical repairs. Children learn in buildings with worn out heating and ventilation systems that foster classrooms where illness and allergies can affect learning.

School roofs are leaking as the district struggles with 3.8 million+ square feet of roofing. And fire and security systems are outdated.

The low voter turnout in May means we lost a summer building season. Construction costs soared 17-30% and code requirements increased. Every delay results in more expensive projects and short changes the students we count on in the future.

### Measure 34-139 is reasonable and responsible:

- It relieves overcrowding by building two elementary schools and two high school options specializing in science and medical careers.
- · It adds classrooms to existing schools.
- It protects our investment by making repairs to older schools, just like we make to our own homes, preserving them for future generations.

#### We know we can trust Beaverton Schools with money.

- Beaverton has a contingency for raw materials and will have a construction accountant to maximize bond dollars for critical space needs.
- Beaverton is one of the few metro districts that never slashed days from its school calendar.
- Beaverton did not collect the second year of the local option tax when Oregon's economy improved and the district got additional state funding.

Our schools are the cornerstone of Beaverton and the reason many of us have lived and worked here. Join us and other senior citizens by voting YES for 34-139!

Homer Speer Forrest Soth Kenneth Weidkamp Dean & Barbara Wilson Jon McWilliams George Russell Wayne Potter Edward & Karen Atiyeh

This information furnished by: Homer Speer

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## Measure No. 34-139

### ARGUMENT FOR

# OVERCROWDED SCHOOLS JEOPARDIZE EDUCATION Teacher Johanna Vaandering Beaverton Education Association President

Beaverton teachers are proud to come to work every day where they inspire excellence in our students. The result is one of Oregon's best school districts – with involved parents and strong community support.

However, Beaverton's <u>extremely overcrowded schools</u> <u>jeopardize</u> our ability to offer a topnotch education to our children.

- Crowded classrooms mean larger class sizes, reducing the individual attention that teachers can give students.
- Crowding makes safety a concern because supervising congested playgrounds, cafeterias and libraries is more difficult.
- Crowded schools resort to makeshift classrooms, using gymnasium stages and small windowless resource rooms - environments not conducive to learning.

Beaverton teachers felt so strongly about this bond that hundreds volunteered to canvass and call voters last May. 61% of Beaverton voters said **YES**, illustrating the strong support and trust our community has in its schools.

The crowding has worsened this fall. Many elementary and high schools are over capacity <u>now.</u> Bulging schools mean teachers don't have the opportunity to get to know other teachers in the building and it is impossible to know every student. Such crowding makes it extremely difficult to meet students' needs, both academically and socially.

Teachers need reasonable class sizes and facilities so they can inspire students to do their **best.** 

### Measure 34-139 will give our students room to learn by:

 Building new schools and classrooms at existing buildings, and improving cafeterias, classrooms and libraries to create more effective learning environments.

#### It will protect the community investment by:

• Repairing leaky roofs and old heating and ventilation systems that impact students' ability to concentrate and learn.

The Beaverton school bond has the <u>strong</u> support of Beaverton's classroom teachers and the <u>Beaverton</u> <u>Education Association</u>. <u>Please vote YES on Measure</u> 34-139.

Teacher Johanna Vaandering
President
Beaverton Education Association

This information furnished by: Johanna R. Vaandering Beaverton Education Association

### ARGUMENT FOR

# BEAVERTON BUSINESSES RECOMMEND A <u>YES</u> VOTE A Reasonable and Urgent Investment

The Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce urges you to support our community and economy by voting **YES** for Beaverton's School Bond 34-139.

The chamber consists of nearly 750 businesses – ranging from large corporations to small businesses. We have always supported excellent schools as a foundation to a healthy business and economic environment.

The bond measure will

- · relieve overcrowding
- · protect the quality of our local schools
- make vital repairs to safeguard the investment in our school buildings

Voting YES simply makes good business sense. Strong support for our schools is critical if you care about our economy and good jobs for our community. Business decisions are made with schools in mind. Companies locate here because they can attract and hire well-educated employees.

We know this measure represents a sound investment. Further delay increases the crowding and impacts the education our children receive. Meanwhile, construction costs continue to climb. Spiraling oil prices and rising costs of raw materials have increased building costs between 17-30% since last May. It doesn't pay to wait.

The Beaverton district is well managed. During the recession, it was one of the few districts in Oregon that managed its budget so students had a full school year. And, they only use tax dollars they need. When the economy improved in 2004, the district received more state taxes than projected and the board chose not to collect the second year of the local option tax. They've also implemented a cost factor for construction materials and have adjusted the bond projects to maximize dollars in order to address critical capacity and infrastructure needs.

This bond is important for our schools and is key to the livability and safety of our neighborhoods, as well as our economic future.

Please continue your support for strong schools. Vote YES! **Lorraine Clarno** 

President

**Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce** 

This information furnished by: K. Lorraine Clarno Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce

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# Measure No. 34-139

### ARGUMENT FOR

# A MESSAGE FROM BEAVERTON'S POLICE CHIEF DAVID BISHOP

# Beaverton's Bond is Reasonable and will Keep our Schools Safe

As a Beaverton resident, I care deeply about protecting our quality schools. They determine the strength and vitality of our neighborhoods.

As a law enforcement professional, I also care about the safety that strong schools bring to our community and the safety of the children who are learning inside.

That's why I'm voting **YES** once again for the Beaverton School Bond.

Beaverton School District is one of the fastest growing districts in the Northwest. It has increased by 3,000+ students in just five years, placing a great deal of pressure on our schools, teachers and especially students.

- I worry about outdated fire and security systems, lack of seismic preparedness and old heating systems in our existing schools.
- I worry about schools that are serving more kids than they were designed to hold.
- I worry about the large number of portable trailer classrooms that strain cafeteria, library and restroom infrastructure.

Measure 34-139 will build more schools and renovate existing schools so they are not over capacity.

It will allow for critical repairs that will protect the community investment and protect the students who count on them to be prepared for the future.

Beaverton schools have been carefully managed and have a strong reputation for excellence. Because of skyrocketing construction costs and inflation, the district had to adjust bond projects from May. But I trust Beaverton will ensure the effective stewardship of bond dollars to relieve overcrowding.

They always have. That's why our schools are one of the key reasons Beaverton is such a great place to live. They attract businesses that fuel our economy.

Measure 34-139 will help keep our children safe and enhance the academic achievement that prepares them for the future.

As your Police Chief I urge you to Vote YES.

David Bishop Beaverton Police Chief

This information furnished by: David Bishop, Chief of Police Beaverton Police Department

### ARGUMENT FOR

# BEAVERTON STUDENT URGES A YES VOTE! PLEASE GIVE KIDS ROOM TO LEARN

As a high school student, I see the urgent need for Beaverton's Bond every day when I walk through the halls of Westview High School.

### All Beaverton high schools are overcrowded:

- Four out of five high schools are operating at over 105% capacity, including Westview.
- Students are jammed into buildings that are already bursting.
- Classrooms with students sitting on heaters, hallways in gridlock and packed cafeterias make learning difficult.
- Getting individual attention from our teachers is important for our success; crowded classrooms make that nearly impossible.

All Beaverton high schools are busy and filled with students almost every minute of the day. Our buildings are the hub of many community activities. **Older high schools have outdated heating, ventilation and safety systems.** All high schools need constant maintenance and renovation to protect the community's investment.

I will soon be moving on to further study and work. I am prepared for this future because our community values education. I am thankful for the fine education I have received in Beaverton Schools. Students, like me, are the future strength of Oregon and want to contribute to the economy and livability in our state.

Even though I will graduate this year, I care very much about the children and students who come after me. They cannot vote to protect quality schools. They need Beaverton's adults to stand up for their future.

Take it from a student like me. We must do this now. The need has only gotten more urgent since the bond was first on the ballot last spring. We cannot wait.

Vote YES for Measure 34-139 to Give Kids Room to Learn.
Scott McDonald (Westview High School)
Student Representative
Beaverton School Board

This information furnished by: Scott McDonald Student Representative Beaverton School Board

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## Measure No. 34-139

### ARGUMENT FOR

**Oregon School Employees Association Beaverton** Chapter # 48 Says Yes to Protecting our Schools

Vote YES for Measure 34-139

We are employees of the Beaverton School District who are proud of our learning environments for students and concerned about protecting them for the future.

The extreme overcrowding in our schools has a direct impact on the quality of education our children receive. As bus drivers, custodians, secretaries, maintenance workers, instructional assistants, and district/school support we see directly the strain of capacity overload in our classrooms. We are the people who make our school buildings work. We can tell you from firsthand experience that our schools have been stretched to the breaking point.

And with the addition of 732 additional students this fall, the district's enrollment has soared to 37,157. We cannot wait any longer. Inflation and skyrocketing construction expenses increase the costs of building projects with each delay.

- Students simply do not have enough room to learn. This is an educational concern.
- The 200 portable trailer classrooms are not a good long-term solution. They overload the infrastructure of the school - bathrooms, cafeterias, hallways and libraries. This is an investment
- Our older buildings need critical repair to roofs. heating and ventilation systems and fire and security systems. These are health and safety concerns.

We come to work every day to ensure each child is successful and safe, to maintain and protect our school buildings and to help students thrive in overcrowded classrooms.

As 1600 proud members of the OSEA Beaverton Chapter #48 and employees of the Beaverton School District representing 190 job titles, we urge you to join us in voting YES on Measure 34-139 to help maintain our reputation as a district of excel-

> Vote Yes on Measure 34-139 Give Kids Room to Learn

> > Steve Specht

President,

#### **Oregon School Employees Association Beaverton** Chapter #48

School Support, Office Support, Custodial Services, Maintenance, Transportation, Food Service, Technology, Information Support and Material Support

This information furnished by: Kristi M. Crooks OSEA, Beaverton Chapter

### ARGUMENT FOR

#### **BEAVERTON RESIDENTS UNITE IN SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS**

We are a fraction of the community leaders, business people, teachers, principals, parents and grandparents in support of Beaverton's School Bond, Measure 34-139. We stood tens of thousands strong across the community last May to support the bond and we urge you to vote YES to support it this fall.

This bond is a *good* and *reasonable* investment that will create the classroom space and make the repairs we desperately need NOW to ensure our community continues to have high quality schools.

Jane Reser **Kathy Russo** Andree Hertz **Robin Case** Jeff Whalen **Elaine Underwood Matt Coleman** Jenna McDorman Virginia Breen Mike Leopold Laurie Bishop **Rick Hoque** Sarah Thom **Tamara Angier Mary Grimes Shelly Brown** Kris Neville **Barbara Evans Teresa Tanner Carol Moses** Elizabeth Fischer Cindy Kingsbury John Enger Stephanie Pieh Mike Reid Susan Braithwaite **Becky Redding** Lynette Olsen Teresa Clemens-Brower Mary Mazzio

Ross Laybourn Linda Riley Kristine Brown Nicole Wood Jeanne Derocher Diana Dirickson Joan McFadden Scot Stockwell Cheryl Ashdown Luanne Fordney Sue Robertson Tom Husted Claudia Ruf Judy Jendrzejewski Patrick Wheeler Cheryl Hagseth Carol Jacob **Homer Thompson** Ron Parham Tom Redding Joseph Wyatt Mike Chamberlain Kristin Flickinger Roxann Schneckloth **Denice Mortimore** Jill O'Neill Cindy Russell Diane Yoder

**Rick Collins** Don Martin Janet Hoque Kris Oliveira Ronda Haun

**Candace Stevens** 

**BEAVERTON SCHOOL BOARD:** 

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This information furnished by: Ron Parham Chair Beaverton Education Foundation

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### Measure No. 34-128

### **BALLOT TITLE**

# GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO CONSTRUCT AND UPGRADE SCHOOLS

**QUESTION:** Is Hillsboro School District authorized to issue general obligation bonds not exceeding \$169 million to build, expand, and improve 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 provide funds to finance capital construction and improvements, including providing funds to build and furnish new schools, add classroom space, expand, upgrade and renovate existing schools and facilities, acquire land for facilities, and pay bond costs. Specifically, this measure would:

- · Construct and furnish four new elementary schools.
- · Construct and furnish a new middle school.
- Replace roofs, heating, ventilation, lighting, and plumbing systems and make other safety, seismic, and security improvements.
- Add classroom space at Brown, Evergreen, and Poynter Middle Schools.
- Renovate and upgrade classrooms and technology access.
- · Purchase land for school facilities.
- · Pay associated bond issuance and building costs.

The bonds would mature in 20 years or less from issuance date and may be issued in one or more series.

### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

According to data from Portland State University Center for Population Research, Hillsboro Schools District's student enrollment is expected to increase by 2,000 students by year 2010 and 3,600 by 2015. Several of the District's elementary and middle schools currently exceed or have reached capacity.

What would the bond do?

If approved by voters, the \$169 million would increase capacity of District facilities to accommodate current and future student populations; addressing infrastructure needs for the next six years.

Proceeds would fund projects to:

- Accommodate rapid enrollment growth by constructing new schools and building additional classrooms in existing schools
- Renovate and upgrade existing schools and facilities
- Implement school safety, security, seismic, and utility efficiency improvements
- Expand technology infrastructure for classroom instruction and school management
- Purchase two land parcels for elementary school construction

The bond measure would renovate and improve existing elementary, middle, and high schools. Brown, Evergreen, and Poynter Middle Schools would be expanded to increase capacity using the same administrative staff.

Because enrollment exceeded capacity, the District closed enrollment in two schools during the 2005-06 school year and will place portable classrooms at three schools for the 2006-07 school year. The proposed construction is intended to manage District growth on a long-term basis. Estimates from Portland State University Center for Population Research indicate that the District would not need to seek additional construction funds until at least 2012 if growth projections are consistent.

What will the Bond Cost?

The District has reviewed forecasts indicating that this bond measure would cost the property taxpayer in the Hillsboro School District an estimated \$1.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value per year during the 20-year life of the bonds. For the owner of a home assessed at \$200,000, the additional annual property tax would be approximately \$250. The actual annual cost to property owners will depend upon factors such as interest rates at the time the bonds are sold and the way the bond debt service is structured by the District to minimize year to year variations in the District's total tax levy.

#### Accountability

The Board of Directors and District staff are committed to report progress on bond projects monthly and to ensure a committee of citizens serves as a communication tool with the District patrons throughout the construction projects.

Submitted by: Nicole Kaufman Executive Director of Community Relations

NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

# Measure No. 34-128

### ARGUMENT FOR

Stand for Children Urges You Vote YES on Measure 34-128 For Our Kids & Our Community

### Hillsboro Schools Are Important to Our Community

Our schools do a good job educating our young people – but our students lack many of the opportunities that their peers have around the state. As residents of this community, we should be proud of our schools and the opportunities they create.

#### **Our Overcrowded Schools Need Our Help**

- Our school district is one of the fastest growing in the state.
   Three of our 4 middle schools are at or over capacity

   many students attend class in portables that were never intended for ongoing use.
- Measure 34-128 will pay for 4 new elementary schools and 1 new middle school to accommodate the 2,000 additional students expected to enroll in the next 5 years.
- Aging schools are costly to operate. Measure 34-128 will make our schools safer, more energy efficient, and wired for the 21st century.

#### **VOTE YES ON MEASURE 34-128 FOR KIDS**

Our children deserve buildings that aren't dangerously overcrowded or at risk in an earthquake. Children learn best with adequate space for classroom instruction and computer labs that equip them for the modern workplace.

### **VOTE YES ON MEASURE 34-128 FOR OUR COMMUNITY**

Quality schools are a cornerstone of healthy, thriving communities. Quality schools attract thriving businesses and responsible families, thereby reducing each individual's taxes. This bond will also infuse millions of dollars into our local construction industry.

# VOTE YES ON MEASURE 34-128 BECAUSE IT MAKES SENSE

The cost of Measure 34-128 to the average homeowner is less than \$1 per day. Every year we delay, the price tag for land acquistion and school construction goes up. Without the renovations and repairs necessary to meet basic safety standards, we risk losing the investment we have already made in our school buildings.

Join Stand for Children, a non-partisan citizen's voice for children and schools, in voting **YES on Measure 34-128.** 

This information furnished by: Kim Strelchun Stand for Children

### ARGUMENT FOR

#### A vibrant local economy demands an educated workforce.

- Businesses depend on graduates who are ready to work.
- The quality of local schools influences home values.
- New residents will pay their share of the 20 year school bond.

# A new school in Hillsboro's center provides opportunities for downtown residents.

We're excited about a new elementary school in central Hillsboro. With Main Street and the new Civic Center, a new school creates fresh opportunities to homeowners, students, and families. The reinvigoration of the downtown neighborhood provides a renewed energy for Hillsboro.

#### Protect our investment in Hillsboro.

Schools provide an undeniably important investment in the future success of our community. Recently the district refinanced bonds, saving taxpayers \$2.7 million in interest. The Hillsboro School District has a solid reputation for reliably completing construction projects on time and under budget.

#### Join with these business leaders and vote YES on 34-128.

The Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors strongly support and urge your support of Measure 34-128. Providing for adequate growth for our school system is good business and makes good economic development sense.

Bill Beran, Beran Vineyards, Inc. Jeff LaGood, Advanced Technology Group Kent Brady Smothers, KBS Insurance & Investments Bernard B. Brink, Attorney Betsy Murphy, The Streets of Tanasbourne Cece Clitheroe, West Coast Bank Deanna Palm, Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce Matt Crile, Windermere/Baldwin Properties LLC Keith Peal, Baker Rock Resources John DiFalco, WSC Insurance Denzil Scheller, Scheller Properties Tiffany Estes, Whole Brain Creative, Inc. Dick Stenson, Tuality Healthcare Don Hillman, Washington County Fair Complex Dr. Sara Hopkins-Powell, Pacific University Greg D. Vandehey, Verizon Communications Mayor Tom Hughes, City of Hillsboro Jonathan Williams, Intel Corporation Bert Zimmerly, Global Aviation

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## Measure No. 34-128

### ARGUMENT FOR

### YES ON 34-128 FOR SCHOOLS.

#### KIDS DESERVE A HEALTHY LEARNING ENVIRONMENT!

Parents know children learn best in appropriate, well maintained facilities. Crowding distracts them from learning. This bond provides improvements essential to student success.

#### New elementary schools are needed now.

Hillsboro continues to grow. The district expects 400 new students every year. Many elementary schools already do not have enough space; Imlay, Patterson and Witch Hazel had portable classrooms installed at this summer. That adds to the 15 elementary schools with portables.

Students in portable classrooms must use the bathrooms, hallways, library, gym, and lunchroom inside the school building. More students will increase health and safety issues in these areas.

# Expanding three middle schools reduces crowding and keeps costs low.

Hillsboro's middle schools face serious crowding. Evergreen, Brown and Poynter Middle Schools are over 90% full. Brown is at 109% full. The plan to expand these schools keeps costs lower than building another school. Administrative costs will stay the same.

#### Replacing Thomas Middle School is the right answer

Hillsboro's fourth middle school, JB Thomas, requires expensive maintenance. The structure needs millions of dollars in earthquake repairs. From heating and ventilation issues, leaking plumbing, and roof repairs, Thomas takes a lot to keep running.

# Across the district, bond projects will improve schools and learning.

Besides construction projects, the bond will provide needed repairs at almost every school.

For a list of projects, visit:

www.hsd.k12.or.us/bond/

To find out how you can help, visit:

www.HillsboroSchoolsYes.com

#### Join these parents and support Measure 34-128!

Nancy Adamou Lisa Poehlitz Greg Mitzel Helen M. Noonan-Harnsberger Jann Purdy Corinne J. Stonier Brett Stonier Dawn H. Jenkins Karla Brokaw Melody Hansen Bruce Hansen Aron Carleson Peter Carleson Lori Lee Daliposon Shawn P. Daliposon Steve Callaway Lisa A. Coates

This information furnished by: Rebecca Lantz Hillsboro Schools Together

### ARGUMENT FOR

#### Hillsboro School District Works for Kids Yes on Measure 34-128 for Excellence

The Hillsboro School District has provided quality education to our community's young people for generations. Built on a tradition of success, the District faces a bright future.

Your YES vote on Measure 34-128:

- Relieves overcrowded schools.
- Improves classroom environments for student learning.
- · Replaces deteriorating schools.
- Uses existing administrators for three new schools
- Includes new residents in paying the cost of the bond.

The District carefully maintains facilities for today's students and those in the future. However it is no longer cost effective to operate Thomas Middle School and spend 12 percent of the annual maintenance budget to keep it safe and useable for the community's students. Controlling mold, servicing old pipes and plumbing, ensuring modern education tools can run on the old electrical infrastructure—it is time to replace the school with an efficient facility that will serve more generations of children as well.

The last District bond request was in 2000. Careful planning means the current bond will equip the District to keep up with enrollment growth and facility needs for at least six more years.

It's the right decision at the right time.

Be informed. Visit: www.hsd.k12.or.us/bond www.HillsboroSchoolsYes.com

Betsy Biller Jim Biller Phillip Barnekoff Ethel Graham Richard D. Johnson Nancy Kingston-Beall Bill Klug Diane A. McAlister Stan Miller Robert C. Orme Henry Wiens

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# Measure No. 34-128

### ARGUMENT FOR

Kids Grow. Hillsboro Grows. Schools Must Too. They Can't Wait!

Hillsboro, have you looked at yourself lately? The total population of the Hillsboro School District attendance area grew from 69,574 in the 1990 census to 103,722 in the 2000 census. That's a 49% increase. **Over 19,500 students are enrolled in the Hillsboro School District.** We are the fourth largest district in the state. Our newest school, the replacement Witch Hazel Elementary on the south side of town, opened in 2003. It is now surrounded by brand new housing.

A recent study by the Portland State University Population Research Center says **enrollment** is **expected to increase by more then 2,000 students in five years**.

According to PSU study, projected enrollment increases in the Witch Hazel area top 50% in four years and 100% in nine years. The Orenco/West Union area will also experience rapid growth and Orenco Elementary has reached capacity. On the west side of town, Patterson Elementary has already felt the affect of growth and is at 110% of capacity.

If we start building this November, it takes two years to build an elementary school. Delaying construction will mean that overcrowding will become standard throughout our district. That means even more kids will be moving from crowded elementary schools into crowded middle schools. Kids aren't going to wait for us. The need for new schools is pressing.

Meanwhile, a majority of our school facilities are old and require major maintenance. Reedville Elementary needs new siding to protect the structure. Glencoe High School needs replacement of the heating and ventilation system. W.L. Henry needs more kitchen and cafeteria space. These are a few examples of the urgent needs facing our schools.

For information on bond projects, visit <a href="www.hsd.k12.or.us/bond">www.hsd.k12.or.us/bond</a>. For information on the bond campaign, visit <a href="www.HillsboroSchoolsYes.com">www.HillsboroSchoolsYes.com</a>.

The Hillsboro School District Board urges you to vote yes on Measure 34-128

John Peterson Carolyn Ortman Hugh O'Donnell Robb Nerdin Patti McLeod Rebecca Lantz Monica Cordrey

This information furnished by: Rebecca Lantz Hillsboro Schools Together

### ARGUMENT FOR

# THE MAYORS OF HILLSBORO SUPPORT STRONG SCHOOLS.

#### YES on Measure 34-128

We need to improve local school facilities. Now is time to confront that need. Measure 34-128 is the right plan to fix our community's overcrowded schools.

#### Neighborhood schools best serve our community.

Hillsboro School District is experiencing rapid growth.

Overcrowded school buildings and capped attendance mean that some families cannot attend their neighborhood school. Bussing children to other schools is not economical. Building new schools where kids live is an efficient use of public funds.

# We must preserve the quality and livability of our neighborhoods.

Schools form the heart of area neighborhoods. Schools offer opportunities for young people to grow and learn, and provide space for community activities and recreation. Quality schools directly impact the value of our homes and businesses.

# The safety and security of local children is everyone's responsibility.

Aging school facilities raise security and safety concerns. Older schools need seismic and roofing upgrades. For example, just Thomas Middle School earthquake upgrades would cost \$14,000,000. We should decommission Thomas Middle School, not spend more tax-dollars maintaining a building that eventually will come down.

#### The infrastructure of Hillsboro includes our schools.

Hillsboro is a great place to live. Let's continue that quality living tradition that starts with our children's schools.

For more information:

www.hsd.k12.or.us/bond/ or www.HillsboroSchoolsYes.com.

Our investment in schools cannot wait. Join us in voting yes on 34-128 for Hillsboro schools.

Mayor Tom Hughes Gordon Faber Shirley Huffman

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# Measure No. 34-128

### ARGUMENT FOR

#### **MEASURE 34-128 FOR A SUSTAINABLE HILLSBORO**

#### **A Tradition of Excellent Schools**

Hillsboro's history of quality neighborhood schools is well known. This bond provides funds to help keep that tradition for today's students.

### Aging Facilities - Not Cost Effective

The District maintains older buildings and has a strong record of building new, efficient schools. With careful planning and dedicated maintenance, the District makes old facilities last beyond the usual lifespan of a building.

Maintaining Thomas Middle School becomes less cost effective every year. Last year 12 percent of the District's maintenance budget was used to keep the school functional.

That's not effective.

The building is not accessible for a student, parent, staff member or visitor who is disabled.

That's not a community school.

Other upgrades to Thomas are too expensive - seismic upgrades and related improvements are estimated to cost \$14 million.

That's not good business.

It is time to replace the building with a new school.

#### Population Growth - Crowded Schools.

Many elementary and middle schools are already at capacity. Reliable projections say 400 more students will enroll each year for five years.

Portable classrooms intended to provide short-term solutions have become long-term fixtures. Reedville has portables so old that the siding had to be replaced. Three new schools (Patterson, Imlay and Witch Hazel) added portable classrooms this summer. Most elementary schools have portables to handle extra students.

#### 34-128 - Sustainable School Infrastructure.

Measure 34-128 builds a sound foundation for children's education. It removes barriers of inadequate facilities and crowding so that students can focus on learning. Measure 34-128 establishes efficient, reliable and successful schools.

For details on the bond: <a href="www.hsd.k12.or.us/bond">www.hillsboroSchoolsYes.com</a>.

#### That's a tradition of excellent schools.

Vote Yes On 34-128.

Gordon Faber Marilynn Helzerman Ralph F. Helzerman Jr. MD. Shirley Huffman Doug Johnson, Owner Hillsboro Pharmacy Jerry W. Willey, CPA

This information furnished by: Rebecca Lantz Hillsboro Schools Together

### ARGUMENT FOR

# SUPPORT THE INTEGRITY OF OUR LOCAL SCHOOLS Vote Yes For Schools!

# In order to achieve educational excellence in the District, we must:

- Remove impact of crowding on student learning
   Provide enough classroom space now and for expected growth.
- Assure student safety and security in all buildings.
- Preserve a positive educational environment for all.

# Measure 34-128 builds Hillsboro School District a stable foundation to educate children.

#### Crowding hinders learning.

When children compete for space, they spend less time learning. Library, gym, music, and lunch schedules challenge students in overfull schools. At some elementary schools, lunch starts early and ends late because there's not enough room in the cafeteria. Middle school students experience the worst crowding and relief is needed.

#### Kids need room to learn.

New homes attract families with young children. Schools in neighborhoods with new housing will be the most crowded, including Witch Hazel, Orenco/West Union, and Patterson. Throughout the district, families feel the affects of enrollment caps, bussing, and portable classrooms. Population studies in 1996 and 2000 proved to be reliable. Growth is inevitable. A construction bond is the only way to build new schools in Oregon.

#### Safety is a priority.

Older buildings need upgrades to safeguard children, staff and visitors. Security and alarm systems will protect people and property. Earthquake preparedness will make more people safe in an emergency. 28 of 33 schools will be impacted by the passing of this bond measure. Critical repairs to our older schools will protect our investment.

### All children deserve to learn.

Hillsboro Schools serve all children and families. A positive classroom environment is the base for successful learning. This plan eliminates barriers to learning and makes schools more effective.

Learn about the bond: <a href="https://www.hsd.k12.or.us/bond.">www.hsd.k12.or.us/bond.</a> Learn about the campaign: <a href="https://www.HillsboroSchoolsYes.com">www.HillsboroSchoolsYes.com</a>.

Bonnie Kiester, President of the Hillsboro Education Association

This information furnished by: Rebecca Lantz, Co-Chair

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# Measure No. 34-136

### **BALLOT TITLE**

# FOREST GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND TO ADDRESS GROWTH AND SAFETY

**QUESTION:** Shall District build K-4 school, expand high school and improve other schools by issuing \$49.8 million in general obligation bonds? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of Section 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

#### **SUMMARY:** Key components:

- Rebuild, equip and furnish Joseph Gale Elementary School on same site as existing school, increasing capacity from 364 to 500 students. School is 52 years old and needs repairs. Because of open walkways, students must walk outdoors to use restroom, library or gymnasium, creating safety concerns.
- Add classrooms at Tom McCall East, increasing capacity from 350 to 500 students.
- Expand cafeteria, kitchen and new gymnasium at Forest Grove High. School was initially built for 1,100 students, enrollment exceeds 1,600. Classrooms were added in 1998, but the kitchen, cafeteria and gymnasium were not expanded.
- Provide additional classrooms for Alternative School.
- · Replace kitchen/cafeteria at Harvey Clarke.
- Increase energy efficiency by replacing heating/ventilation control systems.
- Improve student safety/security through surveillance systems, removing asbestos, upgrading plumbing systems and revise traffic patterns.
- Provide additional improvements to schools throughout the District and pay bond issuance costs.

Bonds will mature in 21 years or less from issuance date and may be issued in one or more series.

### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Forest Grove School District's enrollment continues to climb, and about 1,500 new homes are scheduled for construction within 3-5 years. All schools are projected to be at or beyond capacity by 2009-2010.

A Master Plan Committee, which included staff, parents and community members, spent months scrutinizing district facilities. The committee's recommendations focused on two goals: protecting the current investment and expanding to accommodate anticipated enrollment growth.

#### Key components of the bond:

- Tear down Joseph Gale Elementary School and rebuild on the same site, increasing capacity from 364 students to 500
- Add classroom wing at Tom McCall East Upper Elementary School, increasing capacity from 350 students to 500
- Expand the cafeteria and kitchen and build new gymnasium at Forest Grove High School

### **Rebuild Joseph Gale Elementary School:**

Joseph Gale Elementary School is 52 years old and needs maintenance and repairs. Because of its open walkway design, students must walk outdoors to go to the restroom, library or gymnasium, raising safety and security concerns. The existing school will be torn down, and a new, larger school accommodating 500 students will be built on the same site.

#### Add Classroom Wing at Tom McCall East:

Tom McCall East Upper Elementary School was built in 2003

and already exceeds its capacity of 350 students. A classroom wing will be added, expanding capacity to 500 students and reducing class sizes.

#### Forest Grove High School Expansion:

Forest Grove High School was built for 1,100 students and currently has over 1,600. Additional classrooms were added in 1998 to accommodate enrollment growth, but the kitchen, cafeteria and gym were not expanded. Because of lack of space, students must eat lunch in shifts, and some physical education classes are held off campus. The entire student body can't fit into the gymnasium at one time for assemblies. Enrollment is expected to exceed 1,700 students by the 2009 school year.

#### Focus on Safety Needs And Enrollment Growth:

The district's enrollment increased nearly 14 percent between 2000 and 2005, and more growth is expected between now and 2009.

#### Other projects

A variety of improvements are planned at other schools to address safety needs and enrollment growth, including:

- Enlarge cafeteria and remodel library at Echo Shaw Elementary
- Enlarge cafeteria at Harvey Clarke Elementary
- Build an additional covered play shed at Cornelius Elementary
- Add parking space at Dilley Elementary
- Rebuild and resurface track at Tom McCall Upper Elementary
- Resurface track at Neil Armstrong Middle School
- Increase energy efficiency and improve air quality in schools by replacing windows, adding insulation and upgrading heating and ventilation systems.
- Improve health, life safety and security through additional fencing, surveillance systems, removing asbestos, upgrading plumbing systems and revise parking and traffic patterns

#### **Financial Impact:**

The bond will not exceed \$49.8 million. Approval of this bond will cost taxpayers an estimated \$1.93 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The owner of a \$250,000 home would pay approximately \$483 per year in taxes for this bond.

Submitted by: Connie Potter Public Information Coordinator

NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

## Measure No. 34-136

### ARGUMENT FOR

Our community is growing. This requires Forest Grove School District to make facility improvements to accommodate growth and deliver a quality education to all students. Some of the District's facilities are more than 50 years old and in need of significant improvements to maintain their functionality. The quality of our school district is of utmost interest and importance to individuals, families, and businesses considering a move to Forest Grove

A Master Plan Committee, composed of school staff, and local business and community leaders, spent several months studying district facilities. Their prioritized recommendations to the School Board were: Life Safety – providing a safe environment for students; Improvements to protect infrastructure and investments – alleviating the necessity of more costly expenditures in the future; and Program Support - improvements and additions to support areas.

These needs are very real and important for the future of Forest Grove and for our children's educational environment. Good schools are an investment in the livability of our community and influence the ability to attract and retain good businesses and citizens.

The Forest Grove Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors supports this bond measure and urges voters to do the same.

Lynne Magner President Forest Grove Chamber Of Commerce

This information furnished by: Lynne Magner Forest Grove Chamber of Commerce

### ARGUMENT FOR

# Pro Argument for Ballot Measure 34-136 Forest Grove School District Bond Measure

The Forest Grove School District and the areas it serves is undergoing a large increase in permitted and under construction residential housing. The greater Forest Grove area can expect to add over 1500 single family and multi family units over the next 5 years. With this increase comes a natural progression of children into our schools.

Our School Board has committed to keeping class size small, and avoid increasing the student to teacher ratio, and providing a quality educational experience in a setting that promotes learning, safety and the well being of students and staff. As our community grows, so does our need for additional educational facilities to house the increased student populations.

The Facilities Task Force along with District staff has a commendable track record in identifying current facility needs, and anticipated needs as we look to the future. Staying abreast of, and planning for the expected growth curves, allows the District and its patrons to realize all economies of scale, and to provide the needed infrastructure to adequately serve the Districts needs, and avoid the overcrowding and facility compression that can undermine the educational mission of the District

Construction costs in the form of raw materials, particularly concrete, steel and other foundation and structural materials are increasing in cost at such a rate, that it is imperative that these needed facilities be constructed as soon as possible, to keep construction costs down as opposed to waiting for another 2 years, when construction costs are likely to increase by at least 20% in that time. This Committee feels that constructing these improvements with this bond will help keep future costs in line with need.

The Yes for Kid's Committee asks your support in voting YES for Bond Measure 34-136, and allow the District to proceed with improving and adding to our community school buildings.

Yes for Kids Committee Dale Wiley, Chair

This information furnished by: Dale Wiley Yes For Kids Committee

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# Measure No. 34-136

### ARGUMENT FOR

The Forest Grove Education Association is asking for your support in the education of our children by voting YES FOR KIDS.

Research confirms that student achievement as well as behavior is linked to the physical condition and overcrowding of school buildings. Excellent teachers and administrators, strong community involvement and good facilities are the key factors in student learning and success. In the Forest Grove School District we are fortunate to have great teachers and administrators and a caring community, but many of our facilities are showing their age and will not be adequate to meet future growth. This bond issue will help us meet the challenges of the 21st Century by:

- Replacing Joseph Gale Elementary School, a 52-yearold facility whose design of open walkways and disconnected facilities cause many safety and student management concerns, with a new building that will accommodate 500 students
- Add classrooms at Tom McCall East, increasing capacity from 350 to 500 students
- Expand cafeteria and kitchen facilities and add a gymnasium at Forest Grove High School, a school originally built for 1,100 students with a current enrollment of more than 1,700 students
- Replace the kitchen/cafeteria at Harvey Clarke Elementary School
- Increase energy efficiency by replacing heating/ventilation systems
- Improve student safety, health, and security through surveillance systems, removing asbestos, upgrading plumbing system, and revising traffic patterns at various schools
- Provide a variety of additional improvements at schools throughout the district

When you receive your ballot this fall, please support our children by voting YES to ensure Forest Grove School District's schools continue to be safe, intellectually challenging and able to meet the needs of our growing community. A YES note is a vote for investing in our future. It's an opportunity we cannot afford to ignore or postpone.

This information furnished by: Richard Turner Forest Grove Education Association

### ARGUMENT FOR

Letter of Support

I'm pleased to ask for your support in an opportunity to improve our community by improving our schools. Approval of Measure 34-136 will allow the Forest Grove School District to meet critical needs from an unprecedented 22% increase in student population while preparing facilities for continued growth in the future.

The projects supported by the approval of 34-136 permit your school district to renovate existing classroom buildings, build new elementary schools and improve health and safety at existing schools. As stewards of our community and our schools, we need to seize this opportunity to improve both. The lesson is relatively simple - strong schools, strong community.

As a partner in the educational enterprise with the Forest Grove School District, I know the benefits of well-educated students in a safe environment. I also know the value of preparing for the future. Please join with me in supporting Measure 34-136 to prepare our schools for the future of our community.

Sincerely, Phillip D. Creighton

This information furnished by: Phillip D. Creighton

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# Measure No. 34-136

### ARGUMENT FOR

Ralph and Carol Brown 586 South 12th Av. Cornelius, OR 97113 August 30, 2006

Voters' Pamphlet Statement

Voters in the Forest Grove School District, have you observed that out area is becoming one of the fastest growing areas in the region? Behind our home in Cornelius, on land that has been open space for the 35 years we have lived in Cornelius, 19 homes will be built in the next year or two. This is happening throughout the district.

What does this mean to our schools? It means by 2009 **ALL** of our district schools will be over capacity. The bond measure we are voting on in this Election will address growth, overcrowding and safety concerns in the District.

We have two grandchildren attending Forest Grove School; one at Joseph Gale Elementary School and one at Neil Armstrong Middle School. We are pleased with what the district has accomplished in raising test scores and being a state award winner in community outreach with the emphasis on the 40 Developmental Assets program.

The end result of our vote will affect the success of our children, grandchildren and our neighborhood children in the schools. We have appreciated the support that was there for our kids when they were in the Forest Grove Schools. It would be a shame to deny today's students the same support.

All kids deserve great schools, and it is our choice and our responsibility to provide them.

Ralph and Carol Brown Cornelius

This information furnished by: Ralph Brown Carol Brown

### ARGUMENT FOR

Education makes a difference in the quality of life our children and our grandchildren can have. Education makes a difference in the quality of life our families and seniors can have. Education provides opportunity, fosters hope, and nurtures the mind.

Public education is the thread that allows <u>any</u> child the opportunity for learning and helps each of them and their families achieve the American dream. Without strong public education we fail our children, our community, and our nation.

The Forest Grove School Board of Directors is asking for you to support you children, your grandchildren, your community's children and the future of our community by supporting the Forest Grove School District Bond Levy, Ballot Measure 34-136

This capital projects bond focuses on meeting growth and safety, needs in our district.

The bond will:

- Increase classrooms at the K-6 grade level to meet the growth demands of our community and fulfill commitments to keep class size down.
- Address safety issues at all the schools asbestos, lighting, security, key access upgrades, bus access, and seismic upgrades.
- Maintain our investment in existing facilities HVAC upgrades, repair of athletic fields and tracks, ADA upgrades, gymnasium noise reduction, and re-roofing.
- Expansion of cafeteria and kitchen at the high school and two elementary schools to address capacity.
- Addition of new gymnasium at the high school to provide needed space for physical education classes, and single space to accommodate the student body.

Our community continues to grow, and our ability to provide classrooms, safe, functional buildings, and maintain your community investment in public education depends on your support. Please make your vote count, and vote in support of the Forest Grove School District Bond Levy,

This information furnished by: Susan Winterbourne, Chair Forest Grove School Board of Directors

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# PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Measure No. 26-84

### **BALLOT TITLE**

# PORTLAND SCHOOLS LEVY FOR TEACHERS, CLASSROOMS, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS, LEARNING MATERIALS

**QUESTION:** Shall PPS protect class size, educational programs; levy \$1.25 per \$1000 assessed value for five years beginning 2007; mandate oversight? This measure may cause property taxes to increase by more than three percent.

**SUMMARY:** Portland Public Schools designs its budget to provide the learning tools, instructional programs and materials that students and teachers need for a well-rounded education.

Levy Funds will be dedicated to:

- · teaching positions;
- preventing increases in class size so students receive more individual attention from teachers;
- replacing out-of-date textbooks and workbooks;
- modernizing teaching materials, science labs, equipment;
- · continuing vocational and technical training;
- · providing extra assistance to at-risk kids; and
- ensuring more kids have access to physical education, music and art classes.

Financial Accountability and Taxpayer Oversight: Mandates independent citizen oversight so funds are used as approved by voters. No funds will be used for administration.

The levy will produce an estimated \$33.0 million in 2007-08; \$35.7 million in 2008-09; \$37.7 million in 2009-10; \$39.5 million in 2010-11; and \$41.6 million in 2011-12. The levy is one dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25) per \$1,000 assessed value per year. The typical homeowner will pay about \$12.88 per month.

### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

In the year 2000, voters approved a five-year local option levy for Portland Public Schools. Over that period of 2000-2005, student achievement improved at virtually every grade level in the four subjects tested by the Oregon Department of Education: reading, mathematics, writing and science. Portland students now regularly match, and often exceed, the state averages in terms of percent of students meeting standards, a rare occurrence among urban districts.

That local option expired in 2005.

Currently, Portland Public Schools serves students in 85 schools throughout the neighborhoods of Portland.

PPS has designed its budget to provide its 47,000 students with educational services including:

Class sizes that provide students  $\overset{\smile}{\text{w}}\text{ith}$  individual attention from teachers;

Up-to-date textbooks and learning materials; Extra help for at-risk and struggling students;

Art, music and PE classes as part of a complete curriculum; Classrooms that are safe and maintained; and Curriculum, technology and training that prepare students for

In order to meet these goals, the Portland Public School District has referred a new five-year local option levy to the voters.

their future - whether they go on to college or career.

#### The local option levy will help fund:

**1. Teachers in every school** with class sizes that provide students the chance for individual attention.

#### 2. Tools for learning and teaching including:

Up-to-date textbooks, workbooks, and teaching materials; and science labs and libraries equipped with current technology.

#### 3. Classroom safety and maintenance

In addition, Portland Public Schools will use this funding to: Protect reading programs that promote literacy in early grades; Strengthen math and science programs; Protect vocational and technical classes that provide skills that prepare students for the workplace; and Provide more kids with access to art, music and physical education.

Schools with Fiscal Accountability and Taxpayer Oversight Since the last local option levy was passed in 2000, Portland Public Schools has: Reduced central administration costs; Sold or leased unneeded buildings and land; Ended the practice of administrative contract buyouts; and Had key functions audited by independently-elected auditors.

This local option will mandate independent citizen oversight to ensure that tax dollars are used for purposes approved by local voters---teachers, classrooms, learning materials, educational programs and curriculum.

No funds from this local option levy will be used for district administration.

Submitted by: Heidi B. Franklin Chief Financial Officer Portland Public Schools

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

# Measure No. 34-130

### BALLOT TITLE

# SHERWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND FOR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION, HIGH SCHOOL EXPANSION

**QUESTION:** Is District authorized to expand high school, build middle and elementary schools by issuing general obligation bonds not exceeding \$98,000,000? 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 provides funds to finance capital construction and improvements, and pay bond costs. Specifically, this measure would:

- Expand, renovate and upgrade Sherwood High School, including adding approximately 22 classrooms for science, technology and vocational education; adding space for music, drama and physical education instruction and cafeteria; and making site improvements.
- Construct furnish and equip a new middle school west of Highway 99, near Edy and Elwert Roads
- Construct furnish and equip a new elementary school west of Highway 99, near Edy and Elwert Roads
- Purchase property for joint middle school, elementary school campus.
- Make other district facility, parking, field and access improvements and renovations.
- Pay fees associated with issuing the bonds.

The Bonds would mature in twenty-five (25) years or less from issuance date and may be issued in one or more series.

### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Sherwood School District is one of the fastest growing school districts in Oregon.\*

- Each Sherwood Elementary School has more students enrolled than its recommended capacity. In 2005-2006, total elementary school enrollment was 1,989; that's 191 students beyond the intended capacity.
- Both Sherwood Middle School and Sherwood High School are expected to exceed capacity this school year. There were 886 students at the Middle School and 938 students at the High School in 2005-2006. The Middle School's recommended capacity is 900 students. The High School's recommended capacity is 1,000.
- 30 portable classrooms located throughout the district now house more than 750 students. There is no land available on any school site to add more portable classrooms.
- Total enrollment is expected to increase by 32 percent, or 1,262 students, by 2012.\*\*

This bond measure would fund projected classroom and facilities requirements districtwide for the next five years. Sherwood School District would:

- Expand, renovate and upgrade the existing high school to add instructional space and accommodate up to 1,600 students.
- Build a new middle school and a new elementary school on property the district would purchase west of Highway 99, near Edy and Elwert Roads.

Expand, renovate, upgrade Sherwood High School Expanding, renovating and upgrading Sherwood High School would include adding approximately 22 classrooms for science, technology and vocational education; adding space for music, drama and physical education instruction and cafeteria; and making related site improvements.

**Build a new middle school and elementary school**Construction of a new middle school and elementary school west of Highway 99, near Edy and Elwert Roads would be on

a single campus with the two buildings able to share some facilities to increase efficiency and reduce construction costs. The middle school would be built for approximately 500 students with space to expand its capacity to 900. The elementary school would house approximately 600 students.

Bond proceeds can only be used for bond projects The bond issue's principal amount cannot exceed \$98,000,000. Bond proceeds can only be used for costs associated with building the projects listed on this ballot. For example, the district could **not** use bond funds to hire more teachers or staff, raise salaries, rebuild the stadium at the high school or purchase land for future school sites. If approved by voters, use of bond funds for these purposes would be prohibited.

The estimated incremental increase in cost to property owners in property taxes over this year would be approximately \$1.97 per \$1,000 of assessed value per year. For a Sherwood homeowner whose home has a market value of \$250,000, the average taxable value is \$170,000. Such a homeowner would pay approximately \$335 more per year in additional property taxes because of this measure. \*\* Amounts could vary depending on interest rates and growth in the District's total assessed value.

- \* Information source: Oregon Department of Education
- \*\* Information source: Sherwood School District Business Manager Bonita Maplethorpe

Submitted by: Dan Jamison Superintendent

NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

# Measure No. 34-130

### **ARGUMENT FOR**

Classrooms for Kids, No Frills

Dear Neighbor,

We, the members of the Sherwood School Board, write today to ask for your support of Ballot Measure 34-130. This measure is a turning point in the future of our children's education and the quality of life in our community, and its passage is crucial to continuing the tradition of excellence in Sherwood Schools

The Sherwood School District has faced **unprecedented growth.** Since 1995 our District enrollment has increased 137%, outpacing every other District in the State. All five of our schools are overcapacity. We have aggressively used portable classrooms at every school to keep class sizes reasonable, but our facilities cannot accommodate an unlimited number of portables. Friends, we need to build new schools.

The bond will build a new elementary school and a new middle school. They will be on the same piece of ground, and we have worked in our planning stage to utilize efficiencies and reduce costs. The high school will undergo a major renovation to include adding 22 new classrooms with an emphasis in science, technology and vocational education. These facilities are necessary to meet the core instructional needs of our students, but they won't have any frills.

The last time the school board asked the voters of Sherwood to support a bond for new construction they promised they wouldn't ask again for 5 years. We have kept that promise – it has been eight years since the voters supported a school construction bond. The District's resources have been managed efficiently to extend the use of the existing facilities. Now, those facilities are stretched beyond their optimum capacities and the quality of education for our kids is at risk.

Our children need these schools and the instructional space they will provide. Please join us in voting <u>YES</u> on Ballot Measure 34-130.

Your Sherwood School District Board of Directors,

Mark Christie, Chair Kevin Noreen, Vice Chair Kevin Henry, Secretary Wayne Lowry, Director Connie Hansen, Director

This information furnished by: Connie Hansen Sherwood School District Board of Education

### ARGUMENT FOR

Sherwood Seniors Support Ballot Measure 34-130

Dear Neighbors,

The Sherwood area has been my home for many years. I've watched as Sherwood has gone from being a quiet little farming town to a bustling suburb that is one of the fastest growing communities in the state. My kids are grown and now they have their own kids in school.

Even though I no longer have children in the schools, Ballot Measure 34-130 is important to me. I know that it is important to Sherwood's senior community that our property values continue to remain high, our streets safe, and our community tight-knit. Good schools are an important part of that equation.

Our school district is the fastest growing district in Oregon, and they've run out of room to educate the kids. By supporting this bond measure, we can build a new elementary and middle school and do a major renovation to the high school to add new classrooms. These projects will make sure Sherwood School District students have a place to learn and it will help maintain the quality of the schools - an important factor in determining property value. Good schools also help by providing kids a safe place to be and reducing the number of kids causing problems during the middle of a school day.

Ballot Measure 34-130 is important for the future of all of us in the Sherwood community, including seniors.

Please join me in supporting more classrooms for kids by voting YES on Ballot Measure 34-130.

Mark Federspiel Sterling Fox Charles Hoar Barbara J. Maplethorpe Bill Maplethorpe Bernadine F. Timbrel

This information furnished by: Mark Federspiel

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## Measure No. 34-130

### ARGUMENT FOR

Sherwood High School Students For Measure 34-130

We are students at Sherwood High School and we want you to know what the real story is about the overcrowding in the Sherwood School District.

The two of us have grown up in the Sherwood schools and we've watched our classes grow bigger and bigger each year. The larger the classes are, the more challenging it is to find adequate rooms for all of the classes. Our teachers are great, which is why Sherwood Schools are so good, but there's only so much you can do in a crowded environment.

Here are some other things you should know:

- If the Commons was expanded there would be enough tables and chairs for students. Presently not every student gets to sit on a chair at lunch.
- If we had new updated science classrooms, we would be able to carry out more experiments in a safer environment.
- If the hallways and classrooms were expanded, we would be able to eliminate the safety concerns we have due to over crowding.
- Current classrooms were built to hold 22 students; new classrooms would be able to hold more students, providing a safer atmosphere.
- Expanding the high school would allow each student adequate space for optimum learning.

Ballot 34-130 will really help the students in Sherwood. The bond would build a new grade school, new middle school (believe us, it's about time!), and a major renovation of the high school. We need this space to learn because right now we're out of room.

Please vote YES on Ballot Measure 34-130...Go BOWMEN!!!

Megan Foster, Senior at Sherwood High School Whitney Ladzick, Senior at Sherwood High School

This information furnished by: Megan Foster

### ARGUMENT FOR

Sherwood is growing! As pastors in this expanding community, we see the growth directly in the number of new faces in the churches, growing families and in all our ministries. As these children go to school, they are squeezing into already crowded classrooms and portables.

As leaders in the faith community, we realize that our faith extends far beyond the four walls of the church buildings we worship in. Putting our theological distinctives aside, and knowing that our view doesn't necessarily reflect the views of everyone in our churches, we agree that our children and their education is important. The vast majority of them attend public schools in town and we are concerned that their education will be compromised if something isn't done about classroom availability right away. Not all of us currently have children in the public school system, but we desire that all kids have the opportunity to get a good education.

You've probably read the growth statistics and projections for the next few years. These numbers make Ballot Measure 34-130 very important for the well-being of our community. This bond measure will provide money to build new elementary and middle schools, as well as expand the high school to accommodate the youth coming up through the ranks.

The November election is critical. It's not like deciding whether or not to have a sunroof in a new car... it's like deciding whether or not to have an engine. Without the new classroom space right away, we are faced with temporary and inadequate steps that would hurt our kids, and affect the community negatively. We have an opportunity to make a difference in this election; a difference that will strengthen our families and the future of our children.

We ask that you participate in the election and seriously consider supporting the building of the needed classrooms for our kids through Ballot Measure 34:130.

Pastor Paul Duppenthaler
Pastor Gerry Hill

This information furnished by: Pastor Paul Duppenthaler

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# Measure No. 34-130

### ARGUMENT FOR

Sherwood Booster Club Supports Classrooms for Kids

The Sherwood High School Athletic Booster Club is proud to be a supporter of Classrooms for Kids and Ballot Measure 34-130. This bond represents the essential "equipment" necessary for our kids to be successful in the classroom so that they can be smart, effective leaders and productive members of this community.

Our club spends hundreds of hours a year volunteering to support our high school student athletes to ensure that they have what they need to be safe and fully prepared for competition. We recognize the value of athletics in the overall high school experience, so we strive to provide them the best equipment and facilities through our Booster Club support & fundraising activities. Even though the Booster Club will not receive the benefits for the athletic programs we had hoped for out of this bond measure, we believe our athletes are students first, and we make education a priority. That is why we support the passage of Ballot Measure 34-130.

Each year we are adding more and more students, and consequently all of our schools are overcapacity. The teachers and staff are doing the best they can, but eventually it will be a lose/lose situation for both teacher and student if we don't act now. Let's give our kids and our teachers a better chance for success. Let's pull together as a community and give our students the "equipment" necessary for success!

This bond will build a new elementary school, new middle school and pay for a major renovation of the high school that will include 22 new classrooms. This is the kind of equipment our children need to get a quality education for their future!

The students in Sherwood Schools need us to step up to the plate and do the right thing for their future. Please join us in voting YES for Ballot Measure 34-130.

Bill Butterfield President, Sherwood High School Booster Club

This information furnished by: Bill Butterfield Sherwood High School Booster Club

### ARGUMENT FOR

Parents for more Classrooms for Kids

As parents, our first priority is our kids. We work hard to make sure all of their needs are met – and particularly that they are getting a quality education.

We are the parents of current and future Sherwood School District Students. Together, we see the impact of the growth of our community on the schools. Our **classrooms are overcrowded**, and though the district has been aggressively installing portable classrooms to meet the need for more space, there simply isn't any more room for more portables at our schools. Every Elementary school was well overcapacity last year and our middle school and high school will both be overcapacity this school year.

Overcrowding results in higher class sizes, and threatens the quality of our children's education. We need more classrooms for our kids!

Ballot Measure 34-130 will help relieve this overcrowding by building a new elementary school, new middle school, and do a major renovation to the high school adding 22 new classrooms with an emphasis on science, technology and vocational education. These much needed projects will help ensure that our kids continue to receive a quality education in a traditional classroom.

Please join us in voting YES on Ballot Measure 34-130!

Maia Agranoff, President Archer Glen Parent Advisory Council

Jennifer Rychlick President Hopkins Parent Teacher Advisory Committee

> Kayleen Alessi, President Middleton Parent Advisory Council

Bobbi Otis, President Sherwood Middle School Parent Advisory Council

Marlissa Noblet, President Sherwood High School Parent Advisory Council

This information furnished by: Sue Hekker Care For Kids

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# Measure No. 34-130

### ARGUMENT FOR

Sherwood Community Organizations Support Ballot Measure 34-130

The quality of our Sherwood Schools is an important part of what makes Sherwood such a great community. This November marks an important decision for our community about the future of our schools.

Our school district is the fastest growing district in the state. The schools are overcrowded and that cuts into the quality of our children's education. A good school system is an important factor in a community's livability, culture, developing the future workforce and attracting and retaining businesses in Sherwood.

Ballot Measure 34-130 is a common sense approach to solving a real problem. The measure will build a new elementary school, middle school and renovate the high school to alleviate current overcrowding and address future needs. The measure is reasonable, cost-effective, and timely.

The reality is Sherwood will continue to grow, and to address that growth we will need to build new schools to educate our kids. The cost of everything continues to go up, especially in construction, and we agree that the citizens of Sherwood will save money in the long term by building these important projects today.

We ask you to join us in building more classrooms for kids. Please vote **YES** on Ballot Measure 34-130.

Peggi Federspiel, Director - Sherwood Senior Center Mark Federspiel, Sherwood Faith in Action Bill A. Whitney, Director Sherwood Senior Players

This information furnished by: Peggi Federspiel Sherwood Senior Center

### ARGUMENT FOR

Sherwood Community Organizations Support Ballot Measure 34-130

The quality of our Sherwood Schools is an important part of what makes Sherwood such a great community. This November marks an important decision for our community about the future of our schools.

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Terrel Smith-President Sherwood Education Association (OEA) Jan Fuehrer-President Oregon School Employee Association-Chapter 103

This information furnished by: Terrell Smith Sherwood Education Association

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Vernon Fuller President Sherwood Education Foundation

This information furnished by: Vernon Fuller Sherwood Education Foundation

### ARGUMENT FOR

#### **Sherwood City Council Supports Classrooms for Kids**

Neighborhood schools are the heart of a community. It's where our kids learn, play, and where families come together to watch our kids grow. The success of our schools is crucial to the livability of a community. This November, we have an important decision to make that will impact the future of our city for years to come.

The City of Sherwood has been growing exponentially. We have been the fastest growing city, by percentage, for the last twelve years in Oregon. Experts estimate one million more people in the Metro area in the next 20 years. Sherwood will not avoid getting some of that future population increase. We must prepare for this growth today.

Our schools are already feeling the impact of this tremendous growth. Each school is over capacity, and has used portable classrooms to try and keep class size down, but the schools simply have no more room for portables and the overcrowding continues to increase.

Ballot Measure 34-130 is a responsible measure that will help alleviate this overcrowding by building new elementary and middle schools, and expanding the high school. This measure will provide much-needed instructional space and will help ensure a high quality education for our kids.

Schools are the heart of a community. Successful schools keep property values high, crime rates low, attract and retain businesses, and are at the center of a healthy community. Sherwood Schools need our help to ensure their success.

Please join us in supporting more classrooms for kids and voting YES on Ballot Measure 34-130.

Keith S. Mays Mayor of Sherwood

**Dennis M. Durrell** Sherwood Council President

**David Grant** Sherwood City Councilor

**Linda A. Henderson** Sherwood City Council

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Sherwood City Councilor

Daniel King

Sherwood City Councilor

This information furnished by:

Keith S. Mays

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### Measure No. 34-133

### **BALLOT TITLE**

# TUALATIN VALLEY FIRE & RESCUE (TVF&R) GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND AUTHORIZATION

**QUESTION:** Shall TVF&R issue \$77.5 million in general obligation bonds for capital improvements that support fire and emergency medical response?

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:** Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue provides fire and emergency medical response to approximately 420,000 people.

The bonds would fund:

- Constructing, furnishing, and equipping two additional fire stations to help meet response time goals;
- Purchasing new and replacement fire engines and other emergency response vehicles to help ensure safe and timely emergency response;
- Buying land and making site improvements for future stations and other TVF&R facilities;
- Replacing five older stations which have operational and safety issues;
- Making safety upgrades to eight stations and other TVF&R facilities to maintain response following an earthquake or other major event; and
- Constructing, furnishing, and equipping a command and business operations center to consolidate facilities and improve access to District.

Bonds would be issued over time, as funds are needed, resulting in lower costs the first two years when fewer projects would be underway.

The annual cost for a home with an assessed value of \$200,000 is estimated at \$14 in 2007 and 2008 (.07/\$1,000), and is estimated to average \$29 for years 2009-2026 (.11/\$1,000).

### EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue (TVF&R) provides emergency medical, fire suppression and prevention, and specialized rescue and HazMat services to approximately 420,000 citizens in a 210-square mile area. TVF&R serves the cities of Beaverton, Durham, King City, Rivergrove, Sherwood, Tigard, Tualatin, West Linn, and Wilsonville as well as unincorporated portions of Washington, Clackamas, and Washington Counties.

TVF&R has approximately 400 employees and 100 volunteers who respond to more than 31,000 emergency incidents annually.

### What does this measure call for?

Voters are being asked whether TVF&R should issue \$77.5 million in general obligation bonds to:

- · Construct two additional fire stations;
- Purchase replacement fire engines and other emergency response apparatus;
- Purchase land for future stations;
- Rebuild five fire stations;
  - Make operational and safety improvements to eight stations; and
  - Relocate the command and business operations center.

If approved, bonds would be repaid over a maximum of 20 years from their issue date.

### Why has TVF&R proposed these projects for funding?

 Emergency calls responded to by TVF&R increased by over 60 percent between 1995 and 2004, according to 9-1-1 data. Construction of two additional fire stations

- would help TVF&R meet response time goals.
  To help ensure reliable operation, TVF&R typically replaces its fire engines and other response units after 15 years or 150,000 miles of service. The bonds would pay for approximately 15 fire engines and eight additional response units over several years.
- Competition for developable land has prompted the TVF&R Board of Directors to prioritize property acquisition for future fire stations. The bonds would contribute funds for at least two future station sites.
- Five current stations are undersized and/or have safety issues that impact daily operations. Rebuilding these stations and making safety improvements to eight others would help ensure that TVF&R is able to quickly respond to emergencies, particularly after an earthquake or other major event.
- The bonds would fund relocation and consolidation of support facilities into a new command and business operations center, which would provide easier access to TVF&R's 210-square mile service area. The current command center is on the far western edge of the service area where it is part of a neighborhood and industrial area slated to eventually be annexed into the city of Hillsboro, a community not served by TVF&R.

What would the cost be to the typical homeowner? If authorized by voters, TVF&R would issue the bonds over time to fund the identified projects. In 2007 and 2008, when fewer projects would be under construction, only a portion of the bonds would be issued and the cost would be lower.

For a typical homeowner with a \$200,000 assessed value (AV)\* the annual cost of the bond is estimated at \$14 in 2007 and 2008, or \$.07/\$1,000 AV. Over the 20-year repayment period, that same homeowner would see an estimated average annual payment of \$29, or \$.11/\$1,000 AV.

\* Market value is currently 40-45% higher than assessed value per county assessors.

Submitted by: Jeffery D. Johnson Fire Chief and Administrator

NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

# Measure No. 34-133

### ARGUMENT FOR

#### **TVF&R BOARD SUPPORTS MEASURE 34-133**

As the voter-elected Board of Directors for Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue (TVF&R), we are responsible for referring Measure 34-133 to the ballot.

TVF&R is your fire department and first-responder for medical emergencies. We provide services to over 420,000 citizens. Last year, 295 career firefighters and 100 volunteers responded to more than 31,000 calls – that's up 60% in the last ten years.

The citizens we serve want us to provide emergency services as economically as possible. That's true, until an emergency touches close to home; then they want TVF&R firefighters and paramedics to respond as quickly as possible and with all the necessary equipment and resources to save a life or extinguish a fire.

Balancing these competing expectations is a challenge, but we think that's what we have done with Measure 34-133. A relatively small investment on your part helps ensure that TVR&R continues to provide the kind of quality service you expect.

#### YES on Measure 34-133 results in:

- Building two additional fire stations so we can respond to your emergencies quickly;
- Rebuilding five fire stations to address serious operational and safety problems;
- Buying new and replacement fire engines so our fleet remains reliable;
- Buying land for future stations before prices go higher or the land is lost to development;
- Upgrading stations to ensure that they function when you will need firefighters and paramedics most – after a major earthquake or other disaster; and
- Relocating our command center to allow better access to our service area.

Of course, there is a cost to this list – an average of \$29 annually for twenty years for a home with a current taxable value of \$200,000. We think that's a great value, and hope you do, too.

Thank you for your continued support.

Clark Balfour, President Robert Wyffels, Vice President Carol Gearin, Secretary Brian Clopton, Board Member Larry Goff, Board Member

This information furnished by: Clark Balfour, President TVF&R Board of Directors

### ARGUMENT FOR

SMALL INVESTMENT: BIG RETURN

As business people we know the importance of producing a quality product, managing our resources wisely and getting a good a return on investment.

As taxpayers, we want to see a clear return on our investment before supporting a funding measure.

That's why we are strongly endorsing Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue's (TVF&R) Measure 34-133. For a small investment, we can make a huge impact on the quality of emergency services our families and businesses receive.

Each of us has studied TVF&R in action. That experience tells us there are three reasons to support Measure 34-133:

- Nobody provides better service. The men and women of TVF&R consistently provide high-performance professionalism and remarkable compassion; just ask anyone who has had to make that 9-1-1 call.
- They're innovative. TVF&R is nationally known for new approaches to getting to emergencies quickly, handling medical incidents, and developing fire prevention programs that save lives and property.
- 3. They are great stewards of our tax dollars. It's amazing what gets measured at TVF&R, including fire fighter fitness, response times, patient outcomes, and the reliability of fire engines. This information gets used to ensure our tax dollars get invested effectively.
- 4. They have a track record of keeping their promises.

  TVF&R has consistently followed through on the promise it has made to voters, just like any quality business that provides a great product and great service.

For most voters, this is a manageable investment of \$15 to \$30 per year. In return, we will benefit from new and rebuilt stations that are key to prompt response times, fire engines that are reliable, and fire stations that perform when we will need firefighters most – after a major earthquake or other disaster.

Vote yes on Measure 34-133, it's a smart and small investment in your family's safety.

Phil Fogg, Jr. Neil Marshall Mike Berry

This information furnished by: Phil Fogg, Jr.

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# Measure No. 34-133

### ARGUMENT FOR

#### Help Us Help You

Last year, the firefighters and paramedics of Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue responded to over 31,000 emergency 9-1-1 calls. The men and women who responded are highly trained and well equipped, which leads me to a statement that you don't hear often enough as **a** taxpayer:

### Thank you.

As firefighters, we know that the expectations of our communities are high, and we work to exceed them 365 days a year. Your financial support helps ensure that we have the tools and the training to get the job done. In return, should you ever need us because of a medical emergency or fire, your firefighters will respond with great expertise, professionalism, and a genuine concern for your welfare.

Measure 34-133 continues this safety partnership. If approved, it will:

- Build two new stations that are key to maintaining quick response to emergencies.
- Replace existing fire engines and trucks after they have provided quality service and before they run the risk of serious breakdown.
- Rebuild and upgrade stations in all areas of the fire district to ensure that firefighters can respond safely to your emergencies when you will need us most – after a large earthquake or other major incident.

While these projects could overwhelm a smaller community, they are achievable when the benefits and cost are shared by a growing region of more then 420,000 people. The typical cost to a homeowner would be \$29 per year over the 20-year term of the bond. I hope you'll consider that a wise long-term investment.

For each of us, there is no better job and no better place to be a firefighter than serving you as part of Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue. Thank you for your support, and remember, when seconds count, you can count on your firefighters!

This information furnished by: Rocky Hanes, President Tualatin Valley Firefighter Union

### ARGUMENT FOR

#### A Different Reason to Vote "Yes"

There are a lot of good reasons to vote YES on Measure 34-133 – ours is personal.

Our neighborhood first met our fire department because of a devastating fire. Though their response was swift, the fire quickly consumed the modest 800-square-foot home nestled in overgrown trees on Halcyon Road.

The firefighters worked hard to keep the fire from spreading to neighboring homes and salvaged what they could. They also ensured that the sole resident, Lloyd Ziemer, who had lived in the home for over fifty years, had a safe place to stay for the night. Without insurance, however, neighbors and firefighters feared the worst. This is when our relationship and regard for the personnel of Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue (TVF&R) grew to a new level.

Within one week, plans were underway to build a new home for Lloyd. Neighbors, nearby church members and dozens of off-duty firefighters worked for several months securing donations and building the home from the foundation.

What we learned in months of working side-by-side as volunteers is that our firefighters and their colleagues are also people of exceptional character. This wasn't a required part of their job, and it certainly didn't put any money in anyone's pocket. The payback for each of us was simply responding to the profound need of our neighbor.

The job would <u>not</u> have gotten done without the volunteers from TVF&R – people who clearly view themselves as part of the community they serve.

So vote "YES" on 34-133 because it's a wise investment in the excellent service we all expect from TVF&R. But when you do, remember there are dozens of stories like this about how the people of TVF&R regularly invest their person time in our communities.

-Randy & Judy Glanz, James & Susan J. White, Donald L. & Melinda Olson, Scott K. & Denise W. Flora

This information furnished by: Randy Glanz

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# Measure No. 34-133

### ARGUMENT FOR

#### **VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS SUPPORT MEASURE 34-133**

As officers representing nearly 100 volunteer firefighters with Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue, we're asking for your support for Measure 34-133.

Volunteer firefighters?

That's right: TVF&R utilizes the largest group of volunteers of any fire department in Oregon.

The presence of so many volunteers says a lot about the history of TVF&R. It evolved over the past three decades as smaller city and rural fire departments – which depended heavily on volunteers – decided that joining forces would improve their service and lower their cost. Today, TVF&R serves over 420,000 residents responds to more the 31,000 calls annually, and has the lowest tax rate of similar fire districts in the region.

Fortunately, the decision was made to retain volunteers as an important part of TVF&R. Our thousands of hours of service is a significant benefit to taxpayers. Also, because we live where we serve, we help TVF&R stay connected to the communities it serves.

One of the challenges TVF&R inherited through the merger of the smaller fire departments was an assortment of fire stations. Some were reasonably modern and others were built decades earlier and had very real structural and safety problems. Significant progress has been made, but bringing the remaining stations up to a common performance and safety standard is in the best interest of everyone served by TVF&R.

Measure 34-133 is a big step in that direction. In addition to building two new fire stations, it will rebuild five others, and correct serious operational and safety problems in eight more.

If we address these issues now, before they worsen, the typical household cost will be an affordable \$29/year.

VOTE YES ON MEASURE 34-133 so that the men and women of TVF&R can respond quickly when your family needs us

Tualatin Volunteer Firefighters Association
Paul Spath, President
Nic Granum, Vice President
Ashley Trimble, Secretary
Brian Almquist, Volunteer
Jeremy Davis, Volunteer

This information furnished by: Paul M. Spath, President TVF&R Volunteer Firefighters Association

# **WASHINGTON COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #2**

# Measure No. 34-140

### **BALLOT TITLE**

# FIVE YEAR LOCAL OPTION LEVY FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

**QUESTION:** Shall fire district impose \$.57 per \$1000 of assessed value for five years for personnel, operations, equipment beginning FY2007/2008? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

**SUMMARY:** If approved, this measure would generate tax revenue necessary to return to 24-hour coverage by career firefighters, allow for replacement of outdated apparatus, expand volunteer recruitment and retention programs, and increase public education programs. The District's permanent rate is currently \$1.1219 per \$1000 of assessed value. This rate was set by the Oregon Department of Revenue as a result of Measure 50 in 1998. At that time the District employed four full-time firefighters working 8am to 5pm, Monday through Friday. Due to increased call volume; the District went to 24 hour coverage in July 2000. The rising costs of operations, specifically personnel cost, forced the District to lay off four firefighters and revert to 12 hour coverage in 2005. The proposed rate will raise approximately \$756,319 in 2007-2008, \$779,009 in 2008-2009, \$802,379 in 2009-2010, \$826,450 in 2010-2011, \$851,244 in 2011-2012 for a total

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

of \$4,015,401.

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The Board of Directors for Washington County Fire District #2 decided to request a local option levy for the following reasons:

- Operational costs have increased 39% over the last five years outpacing revenue increase of 5%.
   Personnel costs have increased over 150% in the
- Personnel costs have increased over 150% in the last five years.
- 3. Calls for emergency service have increased 29% since 1998 and are projected to continue increasing putting a strain on volunteer capability to respond consistently. The demographics of the District have changed. More people are working out of the area, leaving few volunteers to respond to emergency calls.
- 4. The District's permanent rate is not sufficient to provide 24-hour career firefighter coverage.

When a resident calls 9-1-1, the District has an obligation to provide emergency service including personnel with the training appropriate to handle the emergency and functioning equipment that is adequate to protect life and property.

The Board decided on \$.57 per \$1000 based on future revenue projections, projected expenses and the need for the District to improve the level of service to the residents and create stable funding for the future. In addition to returning to 24-hour staffing which will provide the personnel necessary to respond to emergencies, projections indicate the levy amount will also allow the District to build reserves to replace obsolete or outdated fire apparatus without going back to the voters for further tax funds. By replacing fire apparatus, the District can ensure the equipment will perform as expected on an emergency scene. This levy will also provide revenue to increase

the training opportunities for staff and volunteers to ensure that the personnel who respond to the emergency have the appropriate training. Finally, the revenue from the proposed local option levy will provide funds to expand volunteer recruitment and retention to augment the career firefighting staff.

Submitted by: Marty Oppenlander Board Chairman

NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

# **WASHINGTON COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #2**

## Measure No. 34-140

### **ARGUMENT FOR**

In wake of the tragedy on September 11th, America learned the true story of its everyday heroes, our firefighters. They step forward without question to answer the call for help, be it heart attacks, motor vehicle accidents, house fires or just public assists. They are here when we need them, without question. Washington County Fire Dist. #2 has a dedicated crew of both career and volunteer firefighters trained and ready to put their lives on the line to protect and serve our community. Failure of past tax levies, including the most recent on September 19, 2006, has resulted in a reduction of duty personnel manning the stations 24 hours a day to just 12 hours a day. This decrease in staffing has caused delayed responses especially during nighttime hours. Delayed times could result in a greater loss of life and property. It is time for the voters of this District to step up and show our local heroes the support they deserve by voting yes!! The life they save may be yours!!!

This information furnished by: Joe J. Kust III

### ARGUMENT FOR

### **BUSINESSES SUPPORT MEASURE 34-140**

On behalf of the many business owners in Washington County Fire District #2; we urge you to support Measure 34-140. In September voters said "yes" to measure 34-121, but the measure still failed due to lack of voter turnout. 50% voter participation is required on money measures in primary or special elections. This is not a requirement in a general election.

Many of the business owners within the fire district have a great amount of their lives invested into their business. These business owners have employees and family members working for them. They want to ensure that they will get rapid response if they need to call 911.

Currently, Washington County Fire District #2 (WCFD#2) only has career firefighters staffed at their stations from 7am-7pm seven days a weeks, allowing help to leave the station within 1-2 minutes. After these hours, all homes and business are covered by volunteer firefighters that must respond from their residence to the fire station and then to the emergency scene. This increases the response time anywhere from 5 to 15 minutes.

With the passing of this ballot measure, WCFD#2 will staff stations 24 hours a day, cutting response times significantly to our homes and businesses.

Let's ensure that our employees and family members who work for us feel secure knowing that they have FIRE and MEDICAL help 24 hours a day.

Please vote YES for MEASURE 34-140.

Beran Vineyards Winery Laurel Valley Store Smith Berry Barn Petrich General Store Twin Oaks Airpark Inc. Hindsight MX Pacific Roofing

This information furnished by: Dr. David A. Barno North Plains Veterinary Clinic

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# ballot dropsites

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