Two ways to Return your Ballot

Turn in your Ballot by mail using the postage-paid return envelope postmarked on or before Election Day; or Return your Ballot to an Official Ballot Drop Site no later than 8:00 p.m. on Election Day November 8.

Dear Multnomah County Voter: This part of your Voters’ Pamphlet is provided by Multnomah County Elections. It includes information about candidates and measures from local jurisdictions within the boundaries of the County. The State Pamphlet (on either side of this color bar portion) includes federal and state candidates and state measures. Here are a few things you should know:

• Starting this year, postmarks now count to return your ballot. If your ballot is postmarked (and signed) by Election Day and received within 7 days after the election, your vote will be counted.

• The ballot envelope has changed. The new design is larger, which allows for more information to be displayed on the envelope.

• Your ballot packet no longer includes a secrecy sleeve. A secrecy weave printed on the inside of the ballot return envelope provides the same privacy as a secrecy sleeve. This change, approved by the Secretary of State, allows the County to process ballots more efficiently without compromising voter privacy.

• You can view your registration status and update if necessary at oregonvotes.gov/myvote.

• Ballots will be mailed beginning on Wednesday, Oct. 19. If you do not receive your ballot by Thursday, Oct. 27, 2022, please call 503-988-VOTE (8683) or email elections@multco.us.

Voted ballots must be received at any County elections office in Oregon or Official Ballot Drop Site location by 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 8, or postmarked by November 8, to be counted. If you have any questions, you can contact our office at 503-988-VOTE (8683).

Sincerely,

Tim Scott, Multnomah County Director of Elections

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Translated voting information available

In 2021, the Oregon Legislature passed the Voter Language Access Bill (HB 3021) requiring the Secretary of State to translate portions of state and county voters’ pamphlets into Oregon’s most spoken languages. The law seeks to remove barriers to voting for those who are not fully proficient in English. The bill’s requirements are being implemented for the first time this election. To help in this effort, the Translation Advisory Council was created. The Council is made up of volunteer community members who represent the ethnic, linguistic, and cultural diversity of Oregon voters. Council members make sure translations are accurate and retain the original tone and meaning in a culturally appropriate manner.

Selected portions of this county voters’ pamphlet are available in Simplified Chinese, Korean, Russian, Spanish, Ukrainian, and Vietnamese. These translations can be found online at sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/vp-multnomah.aspx.

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Отдельные части брошюр избирателей этого округа доступны на русском языке. С данными переводами можно ознакомиться в Интернете по адресу: sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/vp-multnomah.aspx.


Окремі частини брошур для виборців Мултнома каунті доступні українською мовою. Ці переклади можна знайти онлайн на веб-сторінці sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/vp-multnomah.aspx.

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Who can register to vote in Oregon?
- You must be a United States citizen,
- A resident of Oregon,
- And at least 16 years old. You will get your first ballot in the mail once you are at least 18 years old.

You must register to vote at least 21 days before Election Day.

How can I register to vote?
- Online at oregonvotes.gov/register or
- On a paper Oregon Voter Registration Card that can be picked up at an elections office, DMV, public library, or post office.

How does vote by mail work?
All elections in Oregon are conducted by the county elections office. The elections office mails ballots directly to voters. Voters complete their ballots, and then return them to the county elections office in the mail or by putting them into an Official Ballot Drop Box.

Vote by mail in a few simple steps:
1) Register to Vote
2) Receive a Voter Notification Card
3) Receive a Voters' Pamphlet
4) Receive Your Ballot
5) Vote Your Ballot
6) Return Your Ballot

How do I vote my ballot?

Find the candidate or measure response (YES or NO) of your choice. Completely darken the oval to the left of your choice with blue or black ink. Do not use felt tip markers.

Write-in Votes

To vote for a write-in candidate who does not appear on the ballot, completely darken the oval to the left of the line provided for the office and write the full name of the candidate on that line.
- Make sure you have correctly marked your choice for each contest.
- Your official ballot may have contests printed on both sides.
- Place the ballot in the return identification envelope.
- Read the Voter's Statement on the return envelope and sign in the signature box.
- **Your ballot cannot be counted if you do not sign the return envelope.**
- Every signature is checked against the registration signature on file. The signatures must match for the ballot to be counted.

If you vote for more candidates than allowed for an office or if you vote both Yes and No on a measure, it is called an overvote and your vote will not count for that contest.

If you make a mistake or change your mind while marking your ballot,
- You may correct it yourself. See example below.
- **Make your choice obvious** so that your intent is understood and your vote is counted correctly.

- If you are unable to correct your ballot, you may request a replacement ballot from the elections office.
Return Your Ballot

Send us your ballot through the U.S. Mail.
It must be postmarked on or before Election
Day November 8, 2022. No postage necessary.

Drop your ballot at any Official Ballot Drop
Site in Oregon by 8:00 p.m. on or before
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| • Pioneer Courthouse Square – 700 block of SW Broadway (next to Starbucks and across from Nordstrom – **Walk-up Only** |
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Información que debe conocer sobre el voto y las elecciones

¿Quién puede registrarse para votar en Oregon?
- Usted debe ser un ciudadano estadounidense,
- Ser un residente de Oregon,
- Y tener por lo menos 16 años de edad.

Recibirá su primera boleta electoral por correo una vez que haya cumplido 18 años de edad.

Debe registrarse para votar al menos 21 días antes del día de las elecciones.

¿Cómo me registro para votar?
- En línea, ingresando a oregonvotes.gov/register
- Con una tarjeta de papel de registro electoral de Oregon que puede recoger en una oficina electoral, en el Departamento de Vehículos Motorizados (Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV, por sus siglas en inglés)), en la biblioteca pública o en la oficina de correos.

¿Cómo funciona el voto por correo?
Todas las elecciones en Oregon son llevadas a cabo por la oficina electoral del condado. Las boletas son enviadas por correo por la oficina electoral directamente a los votantes. Los votantes llenan sus boletas y luego las envían a la oficina electoral del condado ya sea por correo o depositándolas en un buzón oficial de entrega.

Vote por correo siguiendo estos sencillos pasos:
1) Regístrese para votar
2) Reciba una Tarjeta de notificación al votante
3) Reciba un Folleto para votantes
4) Reciba su boleta electoral
5) Marque su voto en la boleta electoral
6) Envíe su boleta electoral

¿Cómo marco mi voto en la boleta electoral?

Ubique la respuesta ("SÍ" o "NO") para el candidato o medida que desee elegir para cada propuesta. Rellene completamente el óvalo a la izquierda de su elección con tinta negra o azul. No utilice rotuladores.

Escriba el nombre de un candidato

Para nominar a un candidato diferente a los que aparecen en su boleta electoral, debe rellenar completamente el óvalo situado a la izquierda de la línea prevista para el cargo y escribir el nombre completo del candidato en esa línea.

- Asegúrese de haber marcado correctamente su elección para cada propuesta.
- Su boleta electoral oficial puede incluir propuestas impresas en ambos lados.
- Introduzca la boleta electoral en el sobre con estampilla postal prepagada identificado.
- Lea la Declaración de votante en el sobre con estampilla postal prepagada y firme en la casilla correspondiente.
- Su boleta electoral no será contabilizada si usted no firma el sobre con estampilla postal prepagada.
- Cada firma se compara con la firma existente en el registro. Las firmas deben ser iguales para que la boleta electoral sea contabilizada.

Si vota por un número de candidatos mayor al permitido para un cargo o si vota Sí y No al mismo tiempo para una medida, a esto se le conoce como sobrevoto y su voto no contará para esa propuesta.

Si comete un error o cambia de opinión mientras marca su voto en la boleta electoral,
- Puede corregirlo usted mismo. Vea el ejemplo a continuación.
- Haga que su elección sea obvia para que se entienda cuál era su intención y se cuente su voto de forma correcta.

- Si no puede corregir su boleta electoral, puede solicitar una boleta de reemplazo en la oficina electoral.
Envíe su boleta electoral

Envíenos su boleta electoral a través del Servicio Postal de Estados Unidos. Debe tener matasellos de la biblioteca, 2451 SW Cherry Park Rd.

Sitios oficiales para la entrega de boletas electorales abiertos las 24 horas

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• Central Library – SW 11th Ave. (Buzón oficial de entrega) **Buzón oficial de entrega con acceso para vehículos o para peatones en la SW 11th Ave. entre SW Yamhill St. y SW Taylor St.** El interior de la biblioteca se encuentra cerrado por trabajos de construcción.
• Pioneer Courthouse Square, 700 block of SW Broadway (al lado de Starbucks y al frente de Nordstrom. **Acceso para peatones únicamente**)

**Fairview**

• Fairview – Columbia Library (punto de entrega de libros de la biblioteca), 1520 NE Village St.

**Gresham**

• Gresham Library (buzón oficial de entrega), 385 NW Miller Ave.
• Voting Center Express, horario limitado, Multnomah County East Building, 600 NE 8th St.; buzón oficial de entrega situado dentro del Voting Center Express [Centro de votación express] en el primer piso del Multnomah County East Building. Solo está abierto durante el horario de atención del centro de votación. Tendrá que estacionarse y entrar a pie para depositar su boleta electoral.

**Troutdale**

• Troutdale Library (punto de entrega de libros de la biblioteca), 2451 SW Cherry Park Rd.
Факты, которые необходимо знать о голосовании и выборах

Кто может зарегистрироваться для голосования в штате Орегон?
• Вы должны быть гражданином/гражданкой США,
• проживать в штате Орегон,
• и вам должно быть не менее 16 лет. Вы получите первый избирательный бюллетень по почте после того, как вам исполнится 18 лет.

Зарегистрироваться для голосования необходимо не менее чем за 21 день до дня выборов.

Как зарегистрироваться для голосования?
• Онлайн на интернет-сайте oregonvotes.gov/register или
• С помощью бумажной регистрационной карточки избирателя штата Орегон, которую можно получить в отделе выборов, DMV (Департаменте регистрации транспортных средств), публичной библиотеке или почтовом отделении.

Как голосовать по почте?
Все выборы в штате Орегон проводятся избирательным отделом округа. Избирательный отдел рассылает избирателям бюллетени напрямую. Избиратели заполняют бюллетени, а затем возвращают их в избирательный отдел округ почтой или опускают в официальный ящик для сбора бюллетеней.

Несколько простых шагов голосования по почте
1) Зарегистрируйтесь для голосования.
2) Получите карточку уведомления избирателя.
3) Получите брошюрку избирателей.
4) Получите избирательный бюллетень.
5) Проголосуйте в избирательном бюллетене.
6) Верните избирательный бюллетень.

Как проголосовать в избирательном бюллетене?

Найдите имя кандидата или ответ в отношении законопроекта («ДА» или «НЕТ»), который хотите выбрать. Синими или черными чернилами закрасьте полностью овал слева от выбранного варианта. Не пользуйтесь фломастерами.

Голосование за кандидата, который не указан в избирательном бюллетене

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ИЛИ напишите в свободном виде

Чтобы проголосовать за кандидата, который не указан в избирательном бюллетене, закрасьте полностью овал слева от строки, предусмотренной для этого, и напишите в этой строке полное имя кандидата.

• Убедитесь, что вы отметили нужный вариант по каждому пункту.
• В официальном избирательном бюллетене пункты для голосования могут быть напечатаны на обеих сторонах.
• Положите бюллетень в приложенный специальный конверт с обратным адресом.
• Прочитайте на конверте с обратным адресом заявление избирателя и проставьте подпись в поле для подписи.
• Ваш избирательный бюллетень может быть учтен, только если вы подпишете конверт с обратным адресом.
• Каждая подпись сверяется с подписью в записи регистрации избирателя. Для учета избирательного бюллетеня подписи должны совпадать.

Если вы проголосуете за большее количество кандидатов, чем это предусмотрено для должности, или проголосуете и «за», и «против» по какому-либо законопроекту, это называется переголосованием, и по этому пункту ваш голос учитываться не будет.

Если вы допустили ошибку или передумали, уже проголосовав в избирательном бюллетене,
• вы можете это исправить самостоятельно. См. пример ниже.
• Четко укажите ваш выбор, чтобы было понятно ваше намерение, и чтобы ваш голос учитывался правильно.

• Если не можете исправить бюллетень, то в отделе выборов можно запросить новый избирательный бюллетень.
Отправка избирательного бюллетеня

Отправьте нам избирательный бюллетень попочтой США. Почтовый штемпель на нем должен быть проставлен не позднее дня выборов (вторник, 8 ноября 2022 года). Почтовые марки не требуются.

Круглосуточные официальные пункты для сбора избирательных бюллетеней

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Những điều cần biết về Bỏ phiếu và Bầu cử

Ai có thể ghi danh bầu cử ở bang Oregon?
● Quý vị phải là công dân Hoa Kỳ,
● Là cư dân của bang Oregon,
● Và ít nhất 16 tuổi. Quý vị sẽ nhận được lá phiếu đầu tiên của mình qua đường bưu điện khi ít nhất 18 tuổi.

Quý vị phải ghi danh bầu cử ít nhất 21 ngày trước ngày bầu cử.

Cách ghi danh bầu cử như thế nào?
● Trực tuyến tại oregonvotes.gov/register hoặc
● Bằng giấy, thẻ ghi danh cử tri tiểu bang Oregon có thể lấy tại văn phòng bầu cử, Cơ quan Quản lý cơ giới, thư viện công hoặc bưu điện.

Cách thức hoạt động bỏ phiếu qua đường bưu điện?
Tất cả các bầu cử ở bang Oregon đều do văn phòng bầu cử quận tiến hành. Văn phòng bầu cử sẽ gửi trực tiếp lá phiếu đến cử tri. Các cử tri hoàn thành lá phiếu của họ, và sau đó gửi lại cho văn phòng bầu cử quận qua đường bưu điện hoặc vào thùng phiếu chính thức.

Bỏ phiếu bằng đường bưu điện qua một vài bước đơn giản:
1) Ghi danh bầu cử
2) Nhận thẻ thông báo cử tri
3) Nhận tập sách thông tin cho cử tri
4) Nhận lá phiếu
5) Bầu chọn trên lá phiếu
6) Gửi lại lá phiếu

Cách bầu chọn trên lá phiếu?
Tim ứng cử viên hoặc trả lời dự luật (Có hoặc Không) mà quý vị lựa chọn. Tô đầy đủ hình bầu dục bên trái lựa chọn của quý vị bằng mực đen hoặc xanh. Không sử dụng bút dạ quang.

Viết tên vào lá phiếu

Bầu chọn bằng viết tên một ứng cử viên không xuất hiện trên lá phiếu của quý vị, tô đậm đầy đủ hình bầu dục ở bên trái của dòng in sẵn cho chức vụ và viết họ tên của ứng cử viên trên dòng đó.

● Bảo đảm quý vị đánh dấu chính xác lựa chọn của mình cho mỗi tranh cử.
● Lá phiếu chính thức của quý vị có thể có các tranh cử được in ở cả hai mặt.
● Bỏ phiếu bầu vào trong phong bì nhận dạng gửi lại.
● Đọc và ký tên quý vị trên phong bì gửi lại và ký vào ô chữ ký.
● Lá phiếu sẽ không được đếm nếu quý vị không ký lên phong bì gửi lại.
● Mọi chữ ký đều được kiểm tra so với chữ ký ghi danh trong hồ sơ. Chữ ký phải khớp với chữ ký trên lá phiếu mới được đếm.

Nếu quý vị bầu chọn cho nhiều ứng cử viên hơn mức cho phép một chức vụ hoặc nếu quý vị bầu chọn cả Có và Không cho một dự luật, bầu chọn đó được gọi quá hạn mức và không được tính cho tranh cử đó.

Nếu quý vị mắc lỗi hoặc thay đổi ý định trong khi đánh dấu lá phiếu của mình,
● Quý vị có thể tự sửa. Xem ví dụ bên dưới.
● Đánh dấu rõ ràng lựa chọn của quý vị để cho ý định của quý vị nhìn dễ hiểu và lá phiếu được đếm chính xác.

● Nếu quý vị không thể sửa lá phiếu của mình, quý vị có thể yêu cầu một lá phiếu thay thế từ văn phòng bầu cử.
Gửi lại lá phiếu


Quy vị có thể bỏ lá phiếu tại bất kỳ điểm bỏ phiếu chính thức nào của bang Oregon trước hoặc vào 8 giờ tối ngày bầu cử, ngày 8 tháng 11 năm 2022.

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| • Thư viện Woodstock (Noi trái sách thư viện) – 6008 SE 49th Ave. |
| • Thư viện Holgate (noi trái sách thư viện) – 7905 SE Holgate Blvd. |
| • Thư viện Midland (Thùng bỏ phiếu chính thức) – 805 SE 122nd Ave. |
| • Rap chiếu phim Regal Cinemas / Tiệm rửa xe M&M – đường SE Division & đại lộ SE 165th – Thùng bỏ phiếu chính thức đặt tại bãi đậu xe Regal Cinemas phía sau Tiệm rửa xe M & M |
| • Thư viện Rockwood (Noi trái sách thư viện) – 17917 SE Stark St. |

| **Trượt** |
| • Thư viện Capitol Hill (Noi trái sách thư viện) – 10723 SW Capitol Hwy. |
| • Thư viện Hillsdale (Noi trái sách thư viện) – 1525 SW Sunset Blvd. |
| • Thư viện Central – SW 11th Ave. (Thùng bỏ phiếu chính thức) Noi trái xea qua hoặc di bộ Thùng bỏ phiếu chính thức nằm trên đại lộ SW 11th Ave. giữa đường SW Yamhill và đường SW Taylor bên trong thư viện đông của dễ xay dùng. |
| • Quảng trường Tòa án Pioneer – dãy phố 700 của SW Broadway (bên cạnh Starbucks và đối diện Nordstrom – Chỉ dành cho người đi bộ) |
| • Thư viện Fairview – Columbia (noi trái sách thư viện) – 1520 NE Village St. |
| • Thư viện Gresham (Thùng bỏ phiếu chính thức) – 385 NW Miller Ave. |
| • Trung tâm Bầu cử Express – Thời gian có hạn – Tòa nhà Multnomah County East, đường 600 NE 8th – Có một thùng bỏ phiếu chính thức nằm bên trong Trung tâm Bầu cử Express ở tầng một của Tòa nhà Multnomah County East. Toả nhà chỉ mở theo giờ mở cửa của trung tâm bầu cử. Quý vị cần phải đậu xe và đi bộ vào bên trong để bỏ lại lá phiếu của mình. |
| • Thư viện Troutdale (Noi trái sách thư viện) –2451 SW Cherry Park Rd. |
有关投票和选举的必知事项

哪些人可以在俄勒冈州 (Oregon) 登记投票？

- 您必须是美国公民、
- 俄勒冈州居民、
- 且年满 16 周岁。在您年满 18 周岁后，会获得人生中的第一张选票。

您必须在选举日前至少 21 天登记投票。

如何进行登记投票？

- 访问 oregonvotes.gov/register 进行线上登记，或
- 在选举办公室、车辆管理局、公共图书馆、或邮政局领取纸质版俄勒冈州选民登记卡。

如何通过邮寄进行投票？

俄勒冈州 (Oregon) 的所有选举都由县选举办公室开展。选举办公室直接向选民邮寄选票。选民在选票上投票后，通过邮寄或投递至官方选票投递箱的方式将选票交回县选举办公室。

简单几步就可以邮寄投票：

1) 登记投票
2) 接收选民通知卡
3) 接收选民手册
4) 接收您的选票
5) 在选票上投票
6) 交回您的选票

如何投出我的选票？

选择一位投票
- 候选人1
- 候选人2
- 候选人3

找到候选人或提案（赞成或反对）选择。使用黑色或蓝色墨水将您的选择左侧的椭圆涂黑。请勿使用毡尖马克笔。

如果需要投给选票上未列出的候选人，请将该职位一行左侧的椭圆涂满，并在该行填写候选人的全名。

- 请确保您针对每个竞选正确地在选票上标记了选择。
- 您的官方选票的正反面都可能被印有竞选。
- 将选票放入回邮身份鉴别信封。
- 阅读回邮信封上的选民声明，并在签名框中签名。
- 如果您未在回邮选票信封上签名，您的选票将不会被计入。
- 会根据存档的登记签名对每个签名进行核对。只有签名相匹配，才可以计入选票。

如果您投票支持的候选人超过该职位的允许数量，或者您对某项提案同时投了赞成票和反对票，则该情况称为超量投票，您的投票将不被计入该竞选。

如果在标记选票时标记错误或改变了选择，
- 您可以在选票上自行更改。请看下方示例。
- 请务必清晰地呈现您的选择，让人明白您的意图，从而正确地计入投票。

- 如果您无法更正您的选票，您可以向选举办公室申请一张替换选票。
通过美国邮政寄回您的选票必须在选举日（2022年11月8日，星期二）当天或之前寄出（以邮政戳为准）。无需支付邮费。

在选举日（2022年11月8日）之前或当天晚上8:00前，将选票投递至俄勒冈州官方选票投递站。

24小时官方选票投递站

波特兰 (Portland)

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Які факти варто знати про голосування та вибори
Хто може зареєструватися для голосування в штаті Орегон?
• Ви повинні бути громадянином Сполучених Штатів Америки,
• Мешканцем штату Орегон,
• Бути 16 років або старше. Ви отримаєте свій перший бюлетень поштою, коли вам виповниться 18 років.

Ви повинні зареєструватися для голосування принаймні за 21 день до дня виборів.

Яким чином я можу зареєструватися для голосування?
• Онлайн на вебсторінці oregonvotes.gov/register або
• На паперовій картці реєстрації виборців штату Орегон, яку можна отримати на виборчій дільниці, у DMV, публічній бібліотеці чи поштовому відділенні.

Як відбувається голосування поштою?
Як відбувається голосування поштою? Виборча дільниця розсилает бюлетені безпосередньо виборцям. Виборці заповнюють свої бюлетені, а потім повертають їх до виборчої дільниці каунті поштою, або опускаючи в офіційну скриньку для голосования.

Проголосуйте поштою, виконавши кілька простих кроків:
1) Зареєструйтеся для голосування.
2) Отримайте картку-повідомлення виборця.
3) Отримайте брошурку для виборців.
4) Отримайте бюлетень.
5) Проголосуйте бюлетенем.
6) Поверніть бюлетень.

Як мені проголосувати бюлетенем?

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Знайдіть кандидата або відповідь на питання (ТАК або НI) за вашим вибором. Повністю затемніть овал ліворуч за вашим вибором чорним або синім чорнилом. Не використовуйте фломастери.

Голоси, подані за кандидатів, яких немає у бюлетені
Щоб проголосувати за кандидата, якого немає у бюлетені, повністю затемніть овал ліворуч від рядка, призначеного для посади, і напишіть повне ім'я кандидата в цьому рядку.

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• Переконайтеся, що ви правильно позначили свій вибір для кожної посади та питання для голосування.
• У вашому офіційному бюлетені посади та питання для голосування можуть бути надруковані з обох сторін.
• Помістіть бюлетень у ідентифікаційний конверт для повернення.
• Прочитайте та підпишіть заяву виборця на конверті для повернення бюлетеня.
• Ваш бюлетень не може бути піддіагностований, якщо ви не підписали конверт для повернення бюлетеня.
• Кожен підпис звіряється із зареєстрованим підписом, що зберігається в архіві. Щоб бюлетень було піддіагностовано, підписи мають збігатися.

Якщо ви проголосували за більшу кількість кандидатів, ніж дозволено на посаду, або якщо ви проголосували і «так», і «ні» по певному питанню, це називається переголосуванням, і ваш голос за цю посаду та питання для голосування не буде піддіагностовано.

Якщо ви зробили помилку або передумали під час позначення бюлетеня,
• Ви можете виправити це самостійно. Див. приклад нижче.
• Зробіть свій вибір очевидним, щоб ваш намір був зрозумілий, а ваш голос був правильно піддіагностований.

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• Якщо ви не можете виправити свій бюлетень, ви можете подати запит на заміну бюлетеня до виборчої дільниці.
Надішліть нам бюлетень поштою США. Він має мати поштовий штемпель не пізніше дня виборів, вівторка, 8 листопада 2022 року. Поштова оплата не потрібна.

Або опустіть бюлетень в будь-яку офіційну скриньку для голосування в штаті Орегон не пізніше 20:00 у день виборів, 8 листопада 2022 року.

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| | • Regal Cinemas Movie Theater / M & M Car Wash – SE Division St. & SE 165th Ave. – офіційна скринька для голосування розташована на автостоянці Regal Cinemas позаду M & M Car Wash |
| | • Rockwood Library (книгоприймач бібліотеки) – 17917 SE Stark St. |
| | • A–Boy Supply – 7365 SW Barbur Blvd. |
| | • Capitol Hill Library (книгоприймач бібліотеки) – 10723 SW Capitol Hwy. |
| | • Hillsdale Library (книгоприймач бібліотеки) – 1525 SW Sunset Blvd. |
| | • Central Library – SW 11th Ave. (офіційна скринька для голосування) з під’їздом на машині, розташована на SW 11th Ave. між SW Yamhill St. і SW Taylor St. Інтер’єр бібліотеки закритий на будівництво. |
| | • Pioneer Courthouse Square – 700 block of SW Broadway (поруч із Starbucks і навпроти Nordstrom – доступ тільки пішки) |
| | • Fairview – Columbia Library (книгоприймач бібліотеки) – 1520 NE Village St. |
| | • Gresham Library (офіційна скринька для голосування) – 385 NW Miller Ave. |
| | • Voting Center Express – обмежений графік – Multnomah County East Building, 600 NE 8th St. – офіційна скринька для голосування розташована всередині Voting Centre Express на першому поверсі Multnomah County East Building. Вона працює лише в години роботи виборчого пункту. Щоб опустити бюлетень, вам потрібно буде припаркуватися та зайти в середину будівництва. |
| | • Troutdale Library (книгоприймач бібліотеки) – 2451 SW Cherry Park Rd.
Macluumaadka Ay Tahay In Laga Ogaado Codaynta iyo Doorashooyinka

Yaa isku duwaan gelin kara Doorashooyinka Oregon?
- Waa inaad haysataa dhalasho Maraykan ah,
- Waa inaad degan tahay Oregon,
- Oo waa inaad ugu yaraan tahay 16 jir. Waxa warqadaada codaynta ee kowaaqaa boosan laguugu soo diri doonaa marka aad gaadho ugu yaraan 18 jir.

Waa inaad is duwaan gelisaa si aad codayso ugu yaraan 21 maalmood kahor Maalinta Codaynta.

Sidee ayaan iskugu duwaan gelin karaa codaynta?
- Online ahaan oregonvotes.gov/register ama
- Warqad ahaan Kaadhka Is Duwaan Gelinta Codeeyaha Oregon oo aad ka heleyso xafiisayada Doorashooyinka, Waaxda Gaadiidka(Department of Motor Vehicles, DMV), laybareeriyada shacabka, ama xafiiska boosta.

Waxa aad ku codaysaa boosta adiga oo raacaya dhawr talaabo oo fudud:
1) Isku Duwaan Geli Codaynta
2) Waa aad Heshaa Wargelinta Kaadhka Codaynta
3) Waa aad Heshaa Waraaqaha Macluumaadka Codaynta
4) Hel Warqadaada Codaynta
5) Ku Rid Warqadaada
6) Soo Celi

Sidee ayay u shaqaysaa ku codaynta boostu?
Dhamaan doorashooyinka Oregon waxaa qabta xafiiska Doorashooyinka degmada. Xafiiska Doorashooyinka ayaa warqada codaynta si toos ah ugu dira codyeyayaasha. Madaxa codihiyaha ahaan waxay buuxiyaan warqadooda codaynta, kadbina waxay kusoo celiyaya xafiiska Doorashooyinka degmada ayagoo uguuso diraaya boostada ama ku ridaya Sanduuga Rasmiga ah ee Waraaqaha Codbixinta Lagu rido.

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Sidee ayaan ugu dirataa warqadayda codaynta?
- Hel mushahara ama cabirka jawaabta (HAA ama MAYA) ka aad doonto. Waa aad geeli ahaanba madoobaysaa horteeda adiga oo isticmaalaya khad buluug ama madaw ah. Ha isticmaalin qalinka ka dusa waraaqaha.
- Hadii aanad sixi karin warqadaada codaynta, waxa aad ka dalban martaa warqad badal ah xafiiska Doorashooyinka.
Soo Celi Warqadaada Codaynta


Ku rid waraaqdaada codbixinta Sanduuqa Goobta Cdbixinta Rasmiga ah ee Oregon ugu danbayn 8:00 p.m. markay tahay ama kahor Maalini Doorashada oo ah Nofeembar 8, 2022.

### Goobaha Sanduuqyada Codaynta Rasmiga ah 24-Saacadood

#### Portland

**Wagooyi**

- **Rose Quarter** – CUSUB - oo ku taala dhanka koonfureed ee Rose Quarter ee Biyo-dhaadhaca iyo Calaamadaha Magaalada Ripe – oo u jirta socodkkaliya
- **Laybareeriga St. Johns** (Sanduuqa Buugaagta La Keeno ee Laybareeriga) – 7510 N Charleston Ave.
- **Laybareeriga North Portland** (Sanduuqa Buugaagta La Keeno ee Laybareeriga) – 512 N Killingsworth St.
- **Laybareeriga Kenton** (Sanduuqa Buugaagta La Keeno ee Laybareeriga) – 10226 N Denver Ave.
- **Green Zebra Grocery** – 3011 N Lombard St. (Sanduuqa Codaynta Rasmiga ah ee ku yaa la meesha u dhaw baarkinka hore ee N Curtis Ave.)
- **McCoy Park** – waxa uu ku yaaalaa dhanka koonfur bari ee N Trenton St. iyo N Newman Ave. – oo u jirta socodkkaliya

**Wagooyi Bari**

- **Laybareeriga Albina**– (Sanduuqa Codaynta Rasmiga ah) –216 NE Knott St.
- **Laybareeriga Hollywood** (Sanduuqa Buugaagta La Keeno ee Laybareeriga) – 4040 NE Tillamook St.
- **Maqaaxida McDonald’s**– 2010 NE Cesar Chavez Blvd. – Sanduuqa Codaynta Rasmiga ah oo ku yaa la dhanka galbeed ee NE 40th Avenue u dhaxaysa NE Tillamook iyo NE Hancock oo u dhaw Laybareeriga Hollywood.
- **Laybareeriga Gregory Heights** (Sanduuqa Buugaagta La Keeno ee Laybareeriga) – 7921 NE Sandy Blvd.
- **Xaafada Parkrose**– 4390 NE 102nd Ave. – Sanduuqa Codaynta Rasmiga ah oo ku yaa la baarkinka bari ee kasoo horjeeda jidka MHCC Maywood Park Center ee NE 102nd Ave. iyo NE Prescott St.

**Wagooyi Galbeed**

- **Laybareeriga Northwest** (Sanduuqa Buugaagta La Keeno ee Laybareeriga) – 2300 NW Thurman St.
- **Multnomah County Elections** – 1040 SE Morrison St.
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- **SE Morrison Street** – Sanduuqyada Codaynta Rasmiga ah oo ku yaa la dhanka waqooyi ee SE Morrison St.

#### Koonfur Galbeed

- **A—Boy Supply** – 7365 SW Barbur Blvd.
- **Laybareeriga Capitol Hill** (Sanduuqa Buugaagta La Keeno ee Laybareeriga) – 10723 SW Capitol Hwy.
- **Laybareeriga Hillsdale** (Sanduuqa Buugaagta La Keeno ee Laybareeriga) – 1525 SW Sunset Blvd.
- **Laybareeriga Central**– 801 SW 10th Ave. iyo oo Gaadhi La Wato Sanduuqyada Codaynta Rasmiga ah oo ku yaa la dhanka bari ee SW 11th Ave. una dhaxaysa SW Yamhill St. iyo SW Taylor St.
- **Pioneer Courthouse Square** – 700 block of SW Broadway (ku dhaqasanki Starbucks kanasoo horjeeda Nordstrom – Kaliya Iyada OO La Imanayo)

#### Fairview

- **Laybareeriga Fairview** – (Sanduuqa Buugaagta La Keeno ee Laybareeriga) – 2425 SW Cherry Park Rd.

#### Gresham

- **Laybareeriga Gresham** (Sanduuqyada Codaynta Rasmiga) – 385 NW Miller Ave.
- **Goobta Cod Bixinta – Saacado Xadidan** – Multnomah County East Building, 600 NE 8th St. – Waa u furuun yahay kaliya saacadaha codaynta xarunta. Waa inaad inta aad gaadhiigaha meel soo dhigato kadibna usoo lugaysaa si aad warqadaada codaynta aad ugu diro.

#### Troutdale

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In a competitive race for county chair, Dr. Sharon Meieran brings a needed sense of urgency on the key issue of homelessness" Portland Tribune 5/5/2022

“The race for the next Multnomah County Chair boils down to this: Do voters want someone who will stay the course on the County’s approach to homelessness? Or do they want someone who will bring urgency and targeted strategies to confront the totality of the crisis?... Our endorsement goes to Meieran" Oregonian 4/20/2022

“Sharon Meieran demands accountability." Steve March, former Multnomah County Auditor

WE NEED LESS TALKING, MORE DOING

“As Medical Director for the Oregon Foundation for Reproductive Health, Sharon championed reproductive justice. Every day in the ER she fights for every person and turns words into action.”

Michelle Berlin, MD OB/GYN, former Director OHSU Center for Women’s Health (retired)

“WORDS WON’T SOLVE OUR PROBLEMS. LEADERSHIP WILL. VOTE SHARON MEIERAN FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY CHAIR!”

Sharia Mayfield, former Multnomah County Chair candidate

Learn more, see my endorsements and read my plans: VoteSharon.com

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City of Fairview

Councilor, Position 4

Balwant Bhullar

Occupation: Small business owner from last 16 years in Fairview OR; Minit Mart (2002-2007); Big bear country market (2009-2013); Fairview Gas station and convenience store(2004-present)

Occupational Background: Owned a trucking company from 1993-1996(eighteen wheelers); other jobs in California; cashier in Convenience stores, farm worker, construction work in electrical field, security patrol; Residence and Business; Raising family and doing business in Fairview since 2002.

Educational Background: Punjab India, high school, diploma; ITI,(electrical engineering, diploma); Criminal & justice, shy of a AA; (LASC community collage), law enforcement training, completed.(Excel security academy) Certified Fingerprint classifier.

Prior Governmental Experience: member of park committee city councilor 2008; member of public safety advisory committee.

I will commit myself to keep a clean and friendly environment in the city of Fairview to keep schools, parks and streets in Fairview safe.

Public Safety:

• Enhance public safety at streets for children, seniors and the disabled. Develop a sidewalk plan so residents can walk safely on streets.
• I would like to see the city be more proactive on public safety issues instead of reacting to problems.
• I would like to see ongoing support for Neighborhood Watch type programs.

Development:

• Develop more side walks ramps where possible to seniors and the disabled.
• Clear brush near crossings so pedestrians are more visible.

Economic Development:

• City to promote and incentivize NE Halsey corridor
• City to approve vacant land as build ready.
• City to reduce development permit fees to make Fairview more competitive.
• City to reduce land development application steps to make Fairview more inviting.
• Economic Development is saying “yes” to businesses that provide more jobs and services.

Endorsements:
Justin Hwang, Founder of Joy Teriyaki and Joy Poke
Danny Boggs
Mike Romine
Steve Owen, Fairview City Council

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Councilor, Position 4

Jenni Weber

Occupation: Behavioral health clinician, contracted with Oregon Health Authority

Occupational Background: Social worker, Clackamas County; Parenting consultant, State of Oregon contractor; Head Start teacher, Mt. Hood Community College; Special education assistant, Portland Public Schools

Educational Background: Portland State University, BA, Social Science; University of Phoenix, MS, Psychology

Prior Governmental Experience: Vice chair, Fairview Public Safety Committee; Board member, PlayEast! recreation program for Fairview and Wood Village

I Will Build A City That's Safe, Healthy, and Welcoming for All

As a city resident for 11 years, and a mother who has sent her three kids to local schools, I am passionate about Fairview. I like my friendly neighbors, the parks and natural areas, the small-town feel, and the racial and economic diversity.

But I’m worried about our community. Theft, speeding, and vandalism have increased. Families are struggling financially – and so is our city. Mental health issues, drug addiction, and homelessness are increasingly visible.

We need elected leaders who will take these problems head-on, and ensure Fairview is safe, healthy, and welcoming to everyone. If you vote for me, I will:

• Improve public safety by working with the community to find solutions, then find sustainable sources of funding to reduce crime and increase disaster preparedness
• Forge stronger relationships with all residents to bring new perspectives to policy decisions and increase citizen engagement and trust
• Build a sustainable city budget that meets our basic needs
• Create a multi-generational and multicultural community to ensure services and communications are equitable and inclusive

Listening, gathering facts, and working collaboratively and creatively is how I lead. As your city councilor, I promise I will ask for public input, invite public participation, and advocate for public services that meet the needs of as many residents and businesses as possible. Everyone in Fairview deserves a voice – and meaningful participation in city decisions.

Find me on Facebook for more information and endorsements.

Endorsements:

• Social worker, Clackamas County; Parenting consultant, State of Oregon contractor
• Head Start teacher, Mt. Hood Community College; Special education assistant, Portland Public Schools

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**Prior Governmental Experience:** Currently serving - Fairview City Councillor May 2020 - present, Fairview City Councilor, 1997 – 2015; Fairview City Council President; Fairview Planning Commission, Fairview Audit, Budget and Public Safety Committees; Heslin House Historical Society Liaison; BSA Fairview Troop 588.

I would like to share a few priorities based on feedback from members of the community.

**Public Safety** – We are still dealing with the effects of eliminating the Fairview Police department and contracting with Multnomah County Sheriff to deal with our day-to-day public safety challenges. This was a decision we are living with when the council was made up of other elected officials including my opponent, Mike Weatherby. My area of focus is to make sure our contract is fulfilled by Multnomah County and improve police presence in the neighborhoods.

I am delighted all the existing sidewalks in the city have finally been evaluated and repaired. This has been a multi-year project that is now complete. This provides a safe use of the public right of way for all of us including our senior and disabled community members.

**Financial Health of the City** – We have all experienced challenges over the past few years especially since March 2020 when COVID changed how we all did business. I support looking at how we provide services in Fairview. There is opportunity for some synergizing of services between Troutdale and Wood Village. We already contract with Gresham for Fire Services.

**Economic Development** – I am excited with the opening of the Fairview Food Cart Plaza. This compliments the already established food and beverage locations in Fairview. The Fairview Food Cart Plaza brings in many new business owners and supports diversity in the community.

The continued work improving the Halsey corridor will provide additional funding to support the general fund. This provides amenities for the community while supporting public safety and infrastructure improvements.

I appreciate your continued support while serving on the Fairview City Council.

**Endorsements**

Brian Cooper – Mayor, City of Fairview

Steve Marker – Fairview City Councilor

“This election is about leadership and integrity. I know and have worked with both men. Please join me in voting for Steve Owen,” Ken Johnson – Retired Fairview Police Chief

Justin Hwang – Owner Joy Teriyaki

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City of Fairview

Councilor, Position 6

Paul Copeland

Occupation: Reynolds School District
Occupational Background: Marketing, Sales, Customer Service, Warehouse, Driver
Educational Background: Mt. Hood Community College – Graphic Design – Associates Degree; Gresham High School – General Studies - Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Optional Information: As a lifelong resident of this area, I care to see some common-sense leadership, to help my hometown be a thriving, comfortable place to live.

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Dear Neighbor,

I am honored to have served as your Mayor since January 2021. Having stepped into this role in a time of substantial transition, I couldn’t be prouder of how neighbors came together to support each other to work towards healing and moving forward. Your support has led to a number of key accomplishments, and I look forward to the great work that our community will do together. I am running for re-election so we can continue to make Gresham a place everyone in our community can live, work and play safely. Thank you for your vote.

- Travis

Our collective accomplishments since 2021:

- $5.2 million invested in police and fire
- Launched Safe Gresham Initiative and Youth Services Department including a Youth Violence Prevention Program
- Initiated our Diversity, Equity and Inclusion program
- Invested $1 million toward culturally responsive violence prevention, intervention, and collaboration partnerships
- Added funding and resources to our homeless services department
- Completed the Rockwood Market Hall and Rockwood Village, further enhancing the Rockwood/West Gresham Community
- Completed the 181st and Sandy road improvements
- Secured the extension of the Urban Renewal Area to secure the future of needed investments
- Awarded $350,000 in ARPA grants to community organizations
- Awarded $500K in ARPA assistance and grants to over 70 small businesses
- Broke ground on the Cascade Groundwater Project for better long-term water rate structure for Gresham
- Purchased the iconic Shaul property for green space and park availability
- Secured over $5 million in Federal and State funding for improvements to Gradin Sports Park

Leadership for Gresham and the Region – The Gresham Way

Learn why Gresham supports Travis: GreshamTogether.org

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City of Gresham

Councilor, Position 2

Cathy Vandehey Keathley

Occupation: Business Manager, St. Joseph Church; Vice President, Joseph P. Vandervelden Foundation

Occupational Background: Human Resource Analyst, Metro; Human Resource Analyst and Human Resource Manager, City of Gresham

Educational Background: Portland State University

Prior Governmental Experience: Gresham City Councilor; current Gresham-Barlow School Board; Gresham Finance and Budget Committee; Chair, Gresham Fire Advisory Council

Community Service: 100+ Women Who Care East County Board; Gresham High School Principal's Advisory Council, Fund-raising chair for many community nonprofits; Youth Leader, PTA President

Returning Gresham to What it Once Was—Safe & Stable

The unprecedented increase in crime and homelessness is affecting us all. Cathy is running for city council to make decisions that will hold criminals accountable and get us back to respecting the rule of law.

Cathy Pledges the Following Priorities:

- Fully fund and staff Gresham Police.
- Champion Gresham's Homeless Response program that's based on compassion and accountability. It will end the illegal tent and RV camping, violence, and property crimes.
- Prioritize public safety, roads and balanced budgets.
- Police department is #1 priority before new initiatives.

Collaborative Leadership Style

Cathy’s leadership strengths are to listen, respectfully debate, and make thoughtful, evidence-based decisions. Cathy is committed to providing a welcoming, safe environment where all opinions are respected.

"Cathy is decisive, compassionate and not afraid to lead."

Lila Leathers

Safety First

Gresham's most urgent problem is crime and fear for our safety. Our city environment has become contentiously political. We are at a tipping point with the decisions the current council majority is making. It is time to make the change in leadership our community wants. Cathy will step-in and do what it takes to make our neighborhoods safe again.

Trusted Leader Endorsements:

- Bob Skipper, Retired Multnomah County Sheriff
- Sue Piazza, Gresham City Councilor
- East Metro Association of REALTORS
- Greg Matthews, Gresham Fire Chief, Retired
- Gresham Area Chamber
- Justin Hwang, Bess Wills, Business Owners
- Holly Riegelmann, Gresham-Barlow School Board
- Karilynn Echols, former Gresham Mayor

www.VoteKeathley.com

No Photo Submitted

Thomas Stanley

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Retired Senior CMOS Integrated circuit designer & Project Manager

Educational Background: Oregon State University, BS Electrical Engineering

Prior Governmental Experience: Served on Neighborhood Association Board, and Church Board, Community Leader, Advocate for the Homeless and Supports Cultural Diversity.

If Thomas Stanley is elected to the Gresham City Council, I will:

- Help the Mayor & Council optimize revenues to balance the city's budget and grow the city.
- Work to create more revenue to support the Police & Fire departments. I feel that the more affluent neighborhoods, with the largest tree canopies, should pay more for Fire protections.
- Support Gresham City Water Project.
- Work to help Seniors stay in their homes, by changing the laws to freeze or reduce higher property taxes for Seniors and change the laws to keep predatory investors, building contractors, real estate agents and scammers from harassing them for their properties or assets.
- Help make Gresham, Sustainable, Eco-friendly, Diverse, Inclusive, and Equable Community for all.
- Help create a long-term sustainable Parks & Recreations Department to promote community involvement, family growth and child development.
- Work with the School Boards and the Community to bring back basic teaching of Reading, Writing, & Math and reduce unnecessary political correctness in the school teaching programs.
- Support the City of Gresham's Vision of Community Development and Urban Renewal projects.
- Support Gresham Business community in creating living wage jobs & thriving tourist industry.
- Support Housing Development projects to meet the needs of Gresham residents.

www.VoteStanley.com

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City of Gresham

Councilor, Position 4

Mario Palmero

Occupation: Self Employed
in assisting Oregon families
in houseless and job
development

Occupational Background: 6
years serving as Gresham City
Councilor; 2 years of creating
and directing a non profit,
one year of direct outreach in
assisting Oregonians suffering
from houselessness, 12 years
of assisting Oregonian families
access emergency programs
through services provided by DHS; 7 years of volunteering
experience with AARP providing free tax preparations;
also volunteered with SMART, Habitat for Humanity and
Rockwood Weed and Seed

Educational Background: Portland State University, BA
Political Science; Mt.Hood CC AA Political Science

Prior Governmental Experience: Gresham City Councilor
2012-present; Gresham's city council 1st Latino president;
Vice chair of Gresham's redevelopment commission;
Gresham's Natural Resources and Sustainability committee;
Housing and Community Development committee; Gresham's
Homelessness and Housing taskforce; Executive board
member on Home for Everyone; Board member for Oregon
Regional Water Consortium

PRIORITIES:

• Use community-based approach in addressing housing
and homelessness issues in Gresham and creating new
partnerships with nonprofit and business organizations
• Ensuring that the City of Gresham continues to support
small businesses and provide the economic stability
necessary for fostering this growth
• Continue to create and direct policies to end gun
violence in our community
• Ensuring that police and fire departments have the
resources and tools to best serve our growing and
diverse community
• Support both after school programs and summer
programs directed at supporting youth services and
prevention

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

• directed policies to help end gun violence in our
community and increase safety for all community
members through Gresham's Clean and safe program
• Directed policies that utilized Metro dollars to help fund
and support new affordable housing in Gresham such as
the Albertina Kerr and Rockwood 10 project
• Continued to collaborate with our School Districts,
community non-profit and for profit agencies to support
after school programs and summer programs for our
children in EastCounty
• Directed ARPA resources to fully fund emergency
services in Gresham including fully funding Gresham
Police and Fire departments budgets.
• Assisted small business with ARPA funds to keep
business open in Gresham during the early stages of the
pandemic
• supported a moratorium on rent increases during COVID
for both residents and small businesses

Keep Moving Gresham Forward
Vote for Mario Palmero For Gresham!
East County Rising PAC
Eddy Morales

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Councilor, Position 4

Jerry W Hinton

Occupation: Industry Consultant

Occupational Background:
Automotive Executive 34 years

Educational Background:
Executive Juris Doctorate, Purdue; MBA, National
University; BS Finance, Brigham Young University

Prior Governmental Experience: Gresham City Councilor, Council President,
Committees: Budget and Finance, Planning Commission, East Multnomah County Transportation, Metro Policy
Advisory, Citizen's Involvement

Community Service: Gresham's Green & Clean founder, My Father's House Community Shelter, Family of Friends Mentoring

Priorities:

• Fully fund and staff the Gresham Police.

• End the permissive attitude toward tent and RV camping, violence, and property crimes.

• Support moratorium on local fee and tax increases.

• Prioritize public safety, roads and balanced budgets. No new initiatives until the police department is fully staffed.

Get Gresham Back on Track

As former Gresham City Councilor, Jerry put ordinances into
place keeping Gresham safe, financially stable and clean
– but the last two years of mismanagement, defunding the
police, and ignoring the rule of law has plagued our great city
reversing the previous direction. Jerry is running to put things
right again.

Safety Over Politics

Our agency administration has become contentious/political
rather than focusing on making our neighborhoods safe
again.

Homelessness: Crisis on our Streets and Sidewalks

Rampant homelessness is a humanitarian, public health, and
safety emergency. Gresham is a compassionate community
that deserves safe streets and sidewalks. Homelessness
compounded by drugs and mental health struggles require
different solutions. Jerry supports proven programs that deal
with the complex issues.

Endorsements:

Former Fire Chief Greg Matthews
Gresham Police Officers’ Association

Former Gresham Mayor Karylinn Echols
GBSD School Board Member Holly Riegelmann

Troutdale Mayor Randy Lauer
Gresham City Councilors Sue Piazza, Janine Gladfelter

Willie Chambers
Sean Kerr
Vicki Moen

Former Police Chief Robin Sells
Gresham Police Officers’ Association

Business Owner Sue O’Halloran
Bess Wills

Shelly Brady
GBSD School Board Member Holly Riegelmann

East Metro Association of Realtors
Gresham Chamber of Commerce

"During my time as Police Chief, I knew I had Councilor
Hinton’s unwavering support when it came to public safety
and keeping the Gresham community safe." Former Police
Chief Craig Junginger

JerryforGresham.com

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### Amanda Orozco-Beach

**Occupation:** Legislative Aide  
**Occupational Background:** Service Industry, Business Management, and Political Organizing  
**Educational Background:** Mount Hood Community College, MHCC Forensics Speech and Debate Team; Portland State University  
**Prior Governmental Experience:** Gresham-Barlow School Board Director (2019 – Present), Policy Review Committee (3 years), Superintendent Search Committee  

**Amanda Orozco-Beach: Your Voice on Gresham City Council.**

“We need Amanda for our constantly changing and diverse city that deserves leadership willing to tackle all challenges. As a new mom and wife of a decorated combat veteran, she knows we are a city with a wealth of potential and opportunities for all to thrive.”  
- Ricki Ruiz, State Representative  

**My work and contributions include:**

- Lobbied to help draft the Menstrual Dignity Act, ending period poverty for all Oregon students attending our public schools by providing free menstrual products in restrooms.  
- Worked with local leaders to secure $1.5 million from American Rescue Plan Act funding for a Student Based Health Center across from Gresham High School.  
- Organized community feedback for repurposing the West Gresham Elementary building.  

**When elected, I pledge to tackle:**

- Improving public safety now so our residents feel safe and investing in more funding for fire and emergency services that show up when we call for them.  
- Find funding to ensure our most vulnerable have access to resources so they are fed, have a roof over their head, and AC units for homes during times of pandemic and climate change.  
- Consistent funding for parks. Doing so will elevate the beauty of our landscape through parks while supporting youth activities, cultural events, and tourism.  
- Keeping down cost-of-living for families so that Gresham can keep being a great city to work, live and raise our families in.  

**Our Local Community Leaders Support Amanda:**

- State Senator Chris Gorski  
- State Representative Ricki Ruiz  
- State Representative Zach Hudson  
- Commissioner Lori Stegmann  
- Gresham-Barlow School Board Director Mayra Gómez and Kris Howatt  
- Gresham City Councilors Eddy Morales, Mario Palmero, and Dina DiNucci  
- East County Rising

### Janine Gladfelter

**Occupation:** Business Relationship Manager and Gresham City Councilmember  
**Occupational Background:** Commercial & Consumer Banking, 18 years; Board Member for Downtown Business Association, Board Member Mount Hood Community Jazz Festival, Salvation Army Advisory Board  

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Gresham City Councilor and Gresham Redevelopment Commissioner 2017-present; Gresham Budget Committee 2014-present; Finance Committee 2014-2017; Community Development Block Grant Committee 2014-2017; Council Leadership to Emergency Preparedness Task Force and Task Force on Housing  

**Personal Statement:**

The City of Gresham and its community are dear to my heart. My passion for improving our beautiful city drives me to continue serving as a leader that will fight for safe neighborhoods, clean streets, and economic prosperity for all.  

**“My Vision for Gresham”**

**Public Safety**

I support expansion of police staffing and support for mental health services as well as proper funding of our fire departments and first responders so that our community can sleep easier at night knowing that they’ll be there when it matters most.  

**Homelessness**

I believe we should address homelessness with compassion while keeping our streets and sidewalks clean and safe. That means partnering with the community and continuing to strengthen Gresham’s homeless services team.  

**Economic Development**

I will continue to serve as a strong voice for job creators and supporting policies that will strengthen and empower Gresham’s small businesses to succeed.  

**We Strongly Support Janine Gladfelter for City Council:**

- Karylln Ecfoles, Former Mayor and City Councilor of Gresham  
- David Widmark, Former City Councilor of Gresham  
- Diane McKeel, Former County Commissioner  
- Greg Matthews, Retired Gresham Fire Chief  
- Gresham Police Officers Association  
- Gresham Chamber of Commerce  
- East Metro Association of Realtors  
- Cathy Keathley, Gresham Barlow School Board Director  
- Jerry Hinton, Former Gresham City Councilor  
- Tom Slyter, Retired Undersheriff of Multnomah County  
- Vanessa Chambers  
- Joan Albertson  
- Shannon Chisom  
- Alyson Huntting  
- Jim Riegelmann  
- Natalia Baranova  
- Carol Nielson  
- Leslie Radke  

**See all endorsements:**

www.votejaninegladfelter.com  

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City of Lake Oswego

Councilor

Jeff Gudman

Occupation: Businessperson: Investor
Occupational Background: Financial Analyst, Hyster; Controller, Magnetech; Treasurer, Oregon Natural Gas Development; Treasurer, BioGas Technology
Educational Background: Pomona College, Economics, BA; Wharton School, Finance/Management, MBA

Prior Governmental Experience: Lake Oswego City Council 2011 - 2018 Chair; Lake Oswego Budget Committee
Volunteer Experience – Treasurer – Clackamas Volunteers in Medicine, Vice-Chair – Mary's Woods, Former Chair – NW Pilot Project (housing), Former Chair – Financial Executive International Portland Chapter.

Why I’m Running - I care about protecting Lake Oswego's quality of life. I want to work with each citizen to develop collaborative, financially sound decisions to the challenges the city faces. These challenges include maintaining and enhancing our basic infrastructure, converting the trolley line to a pedestrian/bike pathway, continuing the work of the Boones Ferry Plan, successfully implementing neighborhood and downtown plans, redevelopment of Foothills, and protecting the Stafford Hamlet.

A Record of Success – While previously serving as a Lake Oswego City Councilor, I established myself as a budget hawk. Under my fiscal leadership, we dramatically reduced our unfunded liability for road maintenance, rebuilt our operations and maintenance center and rebuilt city hall without asking taxpayers for an additional dime.

Independent Thinker and A Team Player – I work carefully to think through problems and follow the facts before making a decision. Once the decision is made, I will work tirelessly for its successful implementation.

Fiscal Responsibility – I understand that during all economic times, government should live within its means just as we all do. I bring a lifetime of business and financial experience with large and small companies as well as not-for-profit organizations.

Financial Leadership – I have the experience and leadership skills needed for Council. I understand we need effective leaders who will seek reasonable, common-sense solutions. Listening and being open to new ideas and different viewpoints and moving forward.

Experience – The last two years the council has lost institutional memory. My experience as a former councilor will bring much needed institutional memory and context to balance with newer councilor's ideas.

I’m asking for your vote.

(Please visit: www.Trudy4LO.org)

Trudy Corrigan

Occupation: Retired Consultant, Community Volunteer
Occupational Background: Employee Benefits Consulting
Educational Background: University of Oregon, MBA; The American College, CLU, ChFC; Oregon State University, BS, Biology

Prior Governmental Experience: Boones Ferry Road Improvements Project Advisory Committee; Lake Grove Urban Forest Committee; Lake Grove Urban Renewal Citizen Advisory Committee; Lake Oswego Zoning Simplification and Clear and Objective Standards Citizen Advisory Committee; Vice Chair, Lake Grove Neighborhood Association

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT: Classroom Volunteer; Art Literacy Volunteer/Coordinator; High School Mock Interview Program Volunteer; Choir Coordinator, Portland Symphonic Glee Choir; Keep Oregon Well Street Team, Trillium Family Services

PERSONAL: Married to Kit for 30 years with 2 children

I work to make things better through volunteer roles. A longtime member of the community who raised a family here, my involvement began 20 years ago with successfully lobbying the city to build a pathway to keep kids safe.

ALL OF LAKE OSWEGO’S PARTS WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE IT REMARKABLE. I will ENGAGE and COLLABORATE for

A Healthy Social Fabric – By including people from all walks of life. By ensuring our emergency responders and City employees are equipped to deal with emerging challenges. By supporting excellent educational and recreational opportunities

A Healthy Environment
By managing our Urban Forest for a sustainable future. By developing and maintaining parks, pathways and trails. By maintaining open spaces

A Vibrant Place for Business
By pursuing an economic development plan reflecting evolving business conditions. By effective transportation and infrastructure management. By being welcoming and supporting local business

A Strong Financial Position
By thinking long term about funding strategies for the city as a whole. By coordinating with Portland on sewage treatment. By planning ahead to manage Lake Oswego's growth.

Trudy is endorsed by:

Lake Oswego Mayor Joe Buck
Lake Oswego City Councilor Jackie Manz
Lake Oswego City Councilor Daniel Nguyen
Lake Oswego City Councilor Rachel Verdict
Lake Oswego City Councilor Massene Mboup
Professional Firefighters of Clackamas County

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**Progress Doesn’t Just Happen**

“Different viewpoints, dialogue and consensus achieve positive results” John Wendland

- Full Police Department review added 4 new patrol officers and mental health specialist
- New City Hall & Boones Ferry Project complete, New Rec and Pool Center in progress, remodeling Golf Course
- Passed bond to add and improve our outstanding park system

“John brings people together to focus on what is best for our City.” Rachel Phillips, Mom, Small Business Owner.

**A Vibrant Future**

“A place to LIVE, WORK, & PLAY is not a slogan, it’s the reality of our community.” John Wendland

- Developed robust partnerships with LO Chamber and economic development team to support businesses
- Maintained strong fiscal discipline to support public safety and infrastructure investments
- Developed and approved Climate and Sustainability action plan

“John's cohesive vision makes for an even greater city.” Molly Durrett, Lake Grove Elementary Teacher.

“John's knowledge and experience are needed again. His leadership and focus are invaluable.” Mayor Joe Buck

“I ask for your vote. Be part of the future of LO.” John Wendland

Visit web site for partial list of Wendland supporters www.wendlandLOcitycouncil.com

(This information furnished by John Wendland)

| **Councilor**       |
| **Ali Afghan**      |
| **Occupation:** Industrial Engineering Director, Genentech; prior Intel |
| **Occupational Background:** Engineering, Community volunteer |
| **Educational Background:** Portland State University, BS, Mechanical Engineering |
| **Prior Governmental Experience:** LO Budget Committee, Current Alternate; LO Development Review Committee, Prior Alternate; Old Town Neighborhood Association, Current Board Director; Partnered with Oregon Governor's office to bring biotech industry to Oregon. |

As your City Councillor, I will give voice to your priorities by employing decision-making processes that are transparent, utilize data, and foremost, are collaborative. My focus will be on all of our residents, our environment, our safety, and the needs of small business owners who are the lifeblood of our local economy. I believe planning is an essential strength of a well-run city and that consistent eye toward our future will help us through any of the challenges ahead.

Lake Oswego has been my home since 1990, and I'm fortunate to have resided in several neighborhoods, allowing me to interact with so many other residents who, like me, support our extraordinary school district and take pride in our parks, our excellent police and fire departments, and our growing array of local businesses. Together we can make LO an even more livable city for residents of all ages, income levels and backgrounds.

An effective City Councilor will foster engagement in local government by residents and business owners alike to maintain a healthy balance. Topics such as safety, homelessness, housing inclusiveness and density, our environment, sustainability, and the local economy are all factors in that balance. My 35 years of professional leadership managing people, budgets, and deadlines has equipped me to bring people together to build stronger relationships, accelerate past stagnation, and plan for the future. Allow me to put this to work for Lake Oswego with your vote on November 8th.

*Endorsed by:*

State Senator Rob Wagner  
Lake Oswego Mayor Joe Buck  
Lake Oswego City Councilors:  
Jackie Manz  
Massene Mboup  
Daniel Nguyen  
Aaron Rapf  
Rachel Verdick  
Professional Fire Fighters of Clackamas County

www.AliForLakeO.com

(The information furnished by Ali Afghan)
Let's Restore Portland Together

We have a stark choice this election – more of the same, or a change for the better. I am running because we have a humanitarian crisis on our streets and crime that’s out of control. Portland’s livability has declined markedly during my opponent’s term. We deserve better.

I’m a 5th generation Portlander and dad of three who will bring people together after the divisiveness that’s plagued our city in recent years. My father started life as a migrant worker and through hard work and education became a federal prosecutor and trial judge. That’s the same kind of work ethic, determination, and backbone I will bring to the city council.

Unfortunately, my opponent chooses to frame local issues that should bring people together in polarizing national terms that drive them apart. I will work to stand up for ALL of Portland – no excuses, no scapegoats – from those who are suffering in unhoused encampments to our neighborhoods that are under siege but lack a voice at City Hall.

Homelessness

We have a crisis of addiction and mental illness on our streets, not just a lack of affordable housing. Taking a hands-off approach to homelessness isn’t compassionate or progressive, it is dangerous and inhumane. Just look outside. We need more shelter and social services immediately.

Crime

Many of our neighborhoods have become too dangerous for our kids or seniors. I’ll lead a data-driven approach to develop, attract, and retain more public safety resources, making our streets clean and safe again.

Join our broad coalition of supporters including unions, technology leaders, prominent women and healthcare providers: www.ReneforPortland.com

(Rene Gonzalez)

| Occupation | Portland City Commissioner |
| Occupation | Portland City Commissioner |
| Educational Background | Community College of Baltimore |
| Experience | State Representative (North/Northeast Portland); Multnomah County Senior Policy Analyst |

JO ANN STANDS WITH US EXPERIENCED CHANGE MAKER

“We elected Jo Ann to tackle tough challenges, which is exactly what she has done. We need her effective leadership for a safe and vibrant city.” - Representative Khanh Pham

Despite a global pandemic, we have worked together to achieve significant systems change.

- Tackling the crisis on our streets by investing in immediate shelter and services, securing long-term permanently affordable housing, and strengthening Portland Street Response, our newly trained mental health first responders.
- Expanding community safety by organizing neighborhood violence prevention programs, hiring mental health first responders, daylighting dangerous street corners, and freeing up police officers for more emergency calls and patrol.
- Ensuring police accountability and transparency, a strong Civilian Training Dean, meaningful community oversight, and data-driven decision-making.

As Portlanders, we need big changes in how our city works, and I am right there with you. You can count on me to lead the charge for change and work WITH YOU and FOR YOU.

Trusted Endorsements:

- Pro-Choice Oregon
- Oregon League of Conservation Voters
- VoteVets
- Latino Network Action Fund
- Portland Association of Teachers
- Portland Community College
- Faculty Federatic
- International Longshore & Warehouse Union
- Independent Party of Oregon
- East County Rising PAC
- Former Governor Barbara Roberts
- U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley
- U.S. Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici
- U.S. Congressman Earl Blumenauer
- Portland Commissioner Carmen Rubio
- Multnomah Commissioner Susheela Jayapal
- Sen. Lew Frederick

Full list of endorsers, achievements, platform:

www.joannforportland.com | #JH4PDX

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My name is Nick Moon and I am running for a second term as your city councilor. I have learned much in my 4 years on council, and I am excited about continuing the vision, striving to move Troutdale in a clear and meaningful direction. I am particularly excited about continuing work on the Confluence site, a 20 acre waterfront site that Troutdale has been developing that will shape our city for decades.

I am also excited to continue work with Troutdale’s resource officer and MCSO to make safety a priority. I support the police and prosecuting criminals. I will not mince words and will strive to never talk like a politician. As a father of two and a small business owner I’ve certainly learned the value in communicating clearly. I think it is apparent that the direction Portland is going is not the direction Troutdale should go. I will continue to push to make Troutdale a clean and livable place. I hope to earn your vote as someone who cares about everyone and cares about our city.

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<td><strong>Occupational Background:</strong> Worked for more than 25 years in Local Government in Executive &amp; Leadership positions: City Administrator/City Manager; Planning-Zoning Director; Economic Development Director; Community Development Director; Chamber of Commerce President-CEO.</td>
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<td><strong>Educational Background:</strong> Master of Urban Administration: Wright State University; Master of City &amp; Regional Planning: The Ohio State University; B.S. Architecture: The Ohio State University.</td>
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FOCUSED ON OUR FUTURE:

**Partnership, Inclusion & Equity:** Cities cannot afford to be islands today. We need to establish/rebuild strategic partnerships in order to generate a Regional Approach to Solutions and Development. We must become the Family of Troutdale (and the County): feeling one another’s pain, sharing one another's blessings, reasonably, equitably, honestly, fairly, inclusively ... welcoming and embracing diversity.

**Knowledge:** We shall propose future developments based on sound principles, to respect the good features of our city and region and organizing those areas into a pattern that makes sense economically, socially, environmentally and aesthetically. Understanding the connection between planning and related disciplines such as economics, architecture, landscape architecture, engineering, transportation, and integrating them into successful plans.

**Opportunities:** We shall work towards our obligation to produce a government that excels at doing what it is supposed to do: Mastering the art of turning the impossible into the inevitable, on the way to improve the living-working conditions and opportunities of our citizens/community/region and in reaching our goals in Troutdale.

**Livability, Economic Development:** Create a sustainable and resilient Urban Fabric that works as an incentive to Economic Development and investments. It takes a dedicated team that involves the entire community (City staff, strategic partners, government agencies) and the broadest engagement of citizens in order to create the conditions necessary to realize our aspirations in Troutdale.

I humbly ask for your vote.

With your support we can work together in shaping the present and creating a brighter future for Troutdale.

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### City of Troutdale

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<td><strong>Educational Background:</strong> Georgetown University School of Law – JD; University of Michigan – Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering</td>
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#### Prior Governmental Experience:
- **Troutdale City Council**
- **Troutdale Planning Commission**
- **Troutdale Parks Advisory Committee**
- **Metro Policy Advisory Committee**
- **East Multnomah County Transportation Committee**
- **Oregon Energy Facility Siting Council & Oregon Hanford Cleanup Board** (the last two are governor-appointed state boards)

Troutdale faces important decisions affecting city finances and future livability. Citizens know I listen and am always guided by what's best for Troutdale. I have volunteered on Troutdale's committees and council for over 25 years. That experience has taught me to ask questions and consider issues carefully.

**My priorities:**

- **Ensuring public safety in Troutdale** is my number one priority. The Multnomah County Sheriff's department is a diverse organization which treats everyone with respect – I will work to enhance community policing and services in Troutdale.
- **Keeping local control of our parks and Municipal Court.** Troutdale cannot rely on the county District Attorney to enforce our ordinances.
- **Marketing Troutdale** by attracting good development to our Urban Renewal Area and elsewhere, and encouraging high-quality housing.

Please join the following Troutdale leaders in saying 

**“We need David Ripma on the Troutdale Council”**

Glenn White – Troutdale City Councilor
Alison Caswell – Troutdale City Councilor
Zach Hudson, State Representative, HD 49
Tanny Staffenson – Chair, Troutdale Budget Committee & Chair, Troutdale Planning Commission
Mary Woidyla, member, Troutdale Planning Commission and President of Gorge Winds Aviation, Inc.
Jean Ice – Real Estate Broker
John Leamy, Troutdale Historic Landmarks Commission, Town Center Committee; Troutdale Planning Commission

**VOTE DAVID RIPMA FOR TROUTDALE CITY COUNCIL**

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#### Geoffrey Wunn

**Occupation:** Pediatric and Neonatal Flight Nurse
**Occupational Background:** Registered Nurse
**Educational Background:** Linfield College, Bachelor of Science in Nursing
**Prior Governmental Experience:** None

The opportunity to serve the community I have lived in my entire life would be an honor! My name is Geoffrey Wunn and I was born and raised in Troutdale. After finishing nursing school, I decided that it was also the perfect place to raise a family of my own. As my boys get older, I have realized that it is important for me to be involved in the growth and development of Troutdale. This is a city that I love and I believe that a fresh set of eyes on the city council would be beneficial to everyone. Two of my biggest goals are to see Troutdale become a place where businesses can grow and thrive, and where people and families can feel safe and welcomed. I want Troutdale to be a city that people want to live in and visit! Education is also highly important to me, so I will stand behind our schools and teachers. As a youth sports coach for the past 10 years, I also believe in access to sports for all children not only for their physical health but also for their mental health. While I would enter into this position with some ideas and goals of my own, I am also open and willing to hear ideas and concerns from citizens in this community. I would truly be here to represent you. I do not believe that a city is run by one person. I think it takes the minds, thoughts and ideas of a diverse group of people to make a city successful. I believe this can be the case for Troutdale by collaboratively working together with our fellow officials to mold it into the best city it can be!

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(This information furnished by David Ripma)
(This information furnished by Geoffrey Wunn)

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**East Multnomah SWCD**

**Director, At Large, Position 2**

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**Jasmine Zimmer-Stucky**

**Occupation:** Communications and Outreach Associate, Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership

**Occupational Background:** Working Lands Engagement Coordinator, 1000 Friends of Oregon; Senior Organizer, Columbia Riverkeeper

**Educational Background:** Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit and Public Management, Portland State University; General Sciences University of Oregon; Emergency Medical Technician program, Columbia Gorge Community College

**Prior Governmental Experience:** East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District Director, At Large 2

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**Community Engagement**

Volunteer Firefighter/EMT, Corbett Fire District; Secretary/Treasurer, Corbett Firefighters Association; Board member, Corbett Firewise; Member, Columbia Grange #267

The East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District provides urban and rural residents of East Multnomah County with incredible educational, technical, and financial assistance to care for soil and water.

In an era of increasingly chaotic weather, equitable actions to ensure access to clean water and healthy soil are essential to community resiliency.

As your At Large 2 director I voted to support the city of Gresham’s effort to purchase the Shaull Woods, a future park near the headwaters of Fairview Creek in a community with one of the lowest rates of tree canopy cover in our district. I also support emerging initiatives that create opportunities for experienced farmers from historically marginalized communities to access farmland. These efforts, combined with the larger work of the district ensure that benefits of clean water and healthy soil – climate resiliency, strong salmon runs, access to local food, financial savings for farmers and land managers, and more – will be available for current and future generations.

Proudly endorsed by:

- Michael Guebert, EMSWCD Director Zone 3
- Laura Masterson, EMSWCD Director Zone 2
- James Carlson, EMSWCD At Large Director 1, Board Treasurer
- Joe Rossi, East Multnomah Soil and Water District Position #1 Representative Khanh Pham, House District 46
- Councilor Eddy Morales, Gresham
- East County Rising PAC

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(The information furnished by Jasmine Zimmer-Stucky)

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**Extended Office Hours**

**Normal Office Hours**

Monday – Friday

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Tues. Oct. 18,** 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

(Voter Registration Deadline)

**Wed. Nov. 2 – Fri. Nov. 4**

8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**Sat. Nov. 5**

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Mon. Nov. 7**

8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**Open Election Day**

Tuesday, Nov. 8

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**Two Locations:**

**Multnomah County Duniway-Lovejoy Elections Building**

1040 SE Morrison Street

Portland, OR 97214

**Voting Center Express**

(Inside Multnomah County East Building)

600 NE 8th Street

Gresham, OR 97030

Open from Oct. 17 – Nov. 8
Michael Guebert  
**Occupation:** Farmer/Owner  
Terra Farma, Corbett, OR  
2001-present  
**Occupational Background:** Environmental Specialist and Supervisor, Metro, 2001-2021  
**Educational Background:** Humboldt State University, Geology, Bachelor's; Sierra College, Geology  
**Prior Governmental Experience:** Associate Director, EMSWCD 2012-2014; Director, Zone 3 EMSWCD 2015-present; Board Chair EMSWCD 2021-present  
I am excited to continue my service to the residents of EMSWCD to continue turning my passion for this place we all call home into good policy that both improves soil and water health and the quality of life for the people we serve.  
I’ve been a farmer in the district for two decades, practicing regenerative agriculture before that term was even coined, using my educational and occupational background as a scientist to continually improve pasture quality, water retention, and carbon sequestration. I take this same thought process with me to my board position to evaluate continuous improvement to our programs and policies.  
Board members must also practice good governance, which means enacting fair internal policies, practicing fiscal responsibility, program evaluation, and ensuring that our services are available to all that live in our district. I am proud of my work towards all of those in my 10 years on the EMSWCD board.  
We are currently in the midst of our strategic planning process, which will guide the work of the district for the next five years and beyond. I hope that you will re-elect me so I can complete that process and implement the outcome.  
My goals are:  
• Continue our work to protect farmland and provide access to the next generation of farmers  
• Support our grants program to fund conservation partners  
• Ensure our internal and external operations are equitably focused  
• Promote practices that increase: soil carbon, water retention, and tree canopy  
• Modeling a workplace culture where people want to work  
Endorsed by:  
Laura Masterson, EMSWCD Director Zone 2  
James Carlson EMSWCD At Large Director, Board Treasurer  
Jasmine Zimmer-Stucky, East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation Director, At-Large  

Jake Kerslake  
**Occupation:** Manager/Operator for Kerslake Farms in Corbett; Volunteer Firefighter for Corbett Fire Department #14  
**Educational Background:** None  
**Prior Governmental Experience:** None  
Optional Information:  
I am excited to bring my experiences as a farmer to the EMSWCD and to provide a fresh, young, new voice to the board. As a fourth generation farmer on my family's farm in Corbett, I have a deep understanding of land management and the conservation practices that are a part of it, and I hope to bring my experience to the board. I am currently attending MHCC pursuing a degree in anthropology. As a future archaeologist I have an understanding and love for our local history, and as a member of the board I would like to use my historical knowledge to further develop and modernize the agricultural techniques that have worked in Multnomah County for generations.  
Endorsed by Joe Rossi, East Multnomah County Soil and Water District, Position #1  

(The information furnished by Michael Guebert)  
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(The information furnished by Jake Kerslake)  
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Brian W Lightcap

Occupation: Retired from US Army Corps of Engineers. I still own and operate “Forest Farm” just outside Forest Park. My family helped plant trees, improve pastures and manage sheep when we began in earnest in 1982. There now is a diverse forest where once there were only eroding pastures. We selectively harvest specialty hardwood trees and mill into lumber.

Occupational Background: I joined the US Army Corps of Engineers in 1977 and served as an ecologist as their wetland program leader for 10 years. In another capacity, did wetland restoration research on the Columbia River.

Educational Background: Graduate of Iowa State University. Has a MS in Forestry from Southern Illinois University.

Prior Governmental Experience: I have served the conservation district as chair for over 20 years and served as board chair for over 10 years. I also was elected by my conservation peers to serve as vice president on the Oregon Association of Conservation Districts executive board. I have been on that executive board for four years. My most noteworthy claim to fame is my advocacy for the restoration of Sturgeon Lake, 3000 acres, on Sauvie Island. This took only 20 years. The project was completed in 2020 and brings river flows back into the lake ecosystem. I look forward to continuing my service as your elected director.

(This information furnished by Brian Lightcap)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by Multnomah County.
**Amends charter: replaces gender binary pronouns with gender neutral terms**

**Question:** Should county charter be amended to replace gender binary pronouns (including he, she, his, and her) with gender neutral terms?

**Summary:** The existing county charter uses gender binary pronouns including he, she, his, and her, throughout the document in sections 4.10 (Qualifications), 4.20 (Terms Of Office; Successive Terms; Running For Office In Midterm), 4.40 (Vacancies – Causes), 6.10 (Chair Of The Board), 6.50 (Sheriff), and 7.20 (Civil Service Commission). In addition, existing charter section 7.40(4) provides that references to the masculine gender in that chapter of the charter refer to the masculine, feminine, neuter, or applicable noun.

This charter amendment would replace gender binary pronouns throughout the charter with gender neutral terms appropriate to the context. For example, use of the pronouns “he or she” in section 6.50 to refer to the sheriff would be replaced with the term “the sheriff.”

This amendment also would remove existing charter section 7.40(4) because that section would no longer be necessary after removal of all references to gender.

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**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Existing county charter uses gender binary pronouns in charter sections 4.10 (Qualifications), 4.20 (Terms Of Office; Successive Terms; Running For Office In Midterm), 4.40 (Vacancies – Causes), 6.10 (Chair Of The Board), 6.50 (Sheriff), and 7.20 (Civil Service Commission). In addition, existing charter section 7.40(4) provides that references to the masculine gender in that chapter of the charter refer to the masculine, feminine, neuter, or applicable noun.

In 2019, Multnomah County updated its County Code to include a statement that the Code is gender inclusive and to replace gender binary pronouns with gender neutral pronouns. Similar changes have not yet been made to the charter.

This charter amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee would replace gender binary pronouns in the charter, including he, she, his, and her, with gender neutral terms. The amendment would replace gender binary pronouns throughout the charter (in sections 4.10, 4.20, 4.40, 6.10, 6.50, and 7.20) with gender neutral terms appropriate to the context.

For example, use of the pronouns “he or she” in section 6.50 to refer to the sheriff would be replaced with the term “the sheriff.” Existing charter section 6.50 provides, “The people of Multnomah County shall elect a county sheriff for the function of said office as prescribed by state law and he or she shall have sole administration of all county jails and correctional institutions located in Multnomah County.” As amended, charter section 6.50 would provide, “The people of Multnomah County shall elect a county sheriff for the function of said office as prescribed by state law and the sheriff shall have sole administration of all county jails and correctional institutions located in Multnomah County.”

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**Submitted by:**

Jenny Madkour, County Attorney
Multnomah County

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**NO ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OR OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.**
Amends charter: voting rights to be extended as legally allowed

Question: Should charter require county to extend the right to vote, including to noncitizens, to the fullest extent allowed by law?

Summary: State law provides that county residents who are United States citizens 18 years of age or older are eligible to register to vote. Registered voters can vote in local, state, and federal elections, with limited exceptions (for example, under state law a person sentenced to a term of incarceration for a felony is not eligible to vote during the term of incarceration). Current county charter does not address voter registration or qualifications for elections for county officers and on county measures.

This charter amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee requires the county to extend the right to vote, including to noncitizens, to the fullest extent allowed by law. This amendment would apply to the right to vote in elections for county officers (chair, commissioner, sheriff, and auditor) and on county measures (initiatives, referenda, and referrals of county ordinances or charter amendments).

This amendment would not immediately change existing voting rights in county elections, but directs the county to take action to extend the right to vote as allowed by law.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

State law provides that county residents who are United States citizens 18 years of age or older are eligible to register to vote. Registered voters can vote in local, state, and federal elections, with some limited exceptions (for example, state law provides that a person sentenced to a term of incarceration for a felony is not eligible to vote during the term of incarceration). Current county charter does not address voter registration or voter qualifications for elections for county officers and on county measures.

This amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee would add a provision to the county charter requiring the county to extend the right to vote, including to noncitizens, to the fullest extent allowed by law. This amendment would apply only to the right to vote in elections for county officers (chair, commissioner, sheriff, and auditor) and on county measures (initiatives, referenda, or referrals of county ordinances or charter amendments).

This amendment would not immediately change existing voting rights in county elections, but directs the county to take action to extend the right to vote as allowed by law. If this amendment is adopted by voters, the county first would determine whether and to what extent the law allows the county to extend the right to vote to additional individuals, and the county then would take steps to extend the right to vote if and to the extent allowed by law.

Submitted by:
Jenny Madkour, County Attorney
Multnomah County

NO ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

YES ON MEASURE 26-231 FOR AN INCLUSIVE DEMOCRACY

We urge you to vote YES to extend voting rights to noncitizens in Multnomah County elections. No matter where we come from, we can shape our futures together. Voting is an important aspect of this and this measure is a major step forward for a welcoming, inclusive community with greater representation in our democracy.

More representation, stronger community

Voting is a key way to engage with our democracy. Community members who are not citizens bring a diversity of perspectives and experiences that will help us address our challenges and find solutions that work for all of us. We all want the best for our families and our futures, and voting is a path to create a stronger county. Immigrants who live here, send their children to school here, and work and own businesses here should all have a say in our futures.

Moving towards inclusion

Voting rights for noncitizens has precedent here in Oregon and across the country, with over 40 states having some form of noncitizen voting during this country's history. Now, jurisdictions around the country are adopting this policy because they recognize the need to welcome new voters. Let's join them in moving towards inclusion, here and elsewhere.

Voting YES on this measure means saying YES to equitable representation for all members of our community. It means YES to creating a future together.

Join us in voting YES on Measure 26-231.
- Adelante Mujeres
- APANO (Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon)
- Center for Migration, Gender, and Justice
- Coalition of Communities of Color
- Latino Network
- Next Up
- Oregon Food Bank
- Oregon Interfaith Movement for Immigrant Justice
- Verde

(This information furnished by Jenny Lee, Coalition of Communities of Color)
Multnomah County

Measure 26-232

Referred to the People by the Board of County Commissioners as recommended by the Multnomah County Charter Review Committee

BALLOT TITLE

Amends Charter: County officials elected using ranked choice voting; runoff elections eliminated

Question: Should elections for county offices give voters option of ranking candidates in preferred order, with instant-runoff vote-counting process determining results?

Summary: Currently, candidates for county offices appear on the May primary election ballot. Voters may vote for one candidate per office; any candidate receiving a majority (more than fifty percent) of votes is elected. If no candidate receives a majority, the top two candidates compete in a runoff election in the November general election. Vacancies during a term of office are filled at the next regular election or a special election.

Under the Charter Review Committee’s recommended amendment, county officials (Chair, Commissioners, Auditor, Sheriff) would be elected in one election using an “instant runoff ranked choice voting” process. This process gives voters the option of ranking multiple candidates in order of preference instead of casting a single vote for each office. Votes are counted in rounds, starting with all voters’ highest ranked candidate. If no candidate receives a majority in the first round, the candidate receiving the fewest votes is eliminated, and that candidate’s votes are reassigned to those voter’s next-highest ranked candidate. The process continues until there is a majority winner. Runoff elections are eliminated.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

MULTNOMAH COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Multnomah County Charter Review Committee recommends amending the county charter to adopt an “instant runoff ranked choice voting” process for elections to county offices (Chair, Commissioners, Auditor and Sheriff). This process gives voters the option to rank multiple candidates in order of preference instead of casting a single vote for each office. Votes are counted in rounds, starting with all voters’ highest ranked candidate. If no candidate receives a majority in the first round, the candidate receiving the fewest votes is eliminated, and that candidate’s votes are reassigned to those voter’s next-highest ranked candidate. The process continues until there is a majority winner. Runoff elections are eliminated.

HOW COUNTY OFFICIALS ARE CURRENTLY ELECTED

Currently, candidates for elected county offices appear on the primary election ballot. Voters may vote for one candidate per office. A candidate who receives a majority (more than fifty percent) of the votes cast is elected. If no candidate receives a majority, the two candidates that received the highest number of votes compete in a runoff at the next general election. The candidate who receives a majority at the runoff election is elected. Elections to fill a vacancy that has more than one year remaining in the term of office are held at the next May or November election. If no candidate receives a majority, the two candidates receiving the most votes compete in a special runoff election called by the board.

HOW INSTANT RUNOFF RANKED CHOICE VOTING WORKS

Under the charter amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee, elections for county offices will use an “instant runoff ranked choice voting” process beginning in 2026. This process gives voters the option of ranking multiple candidates in order of preference. Votes are counted in rounds. If no candidate receives more than fifty percent of the 1st choice votes in the first round, the candidate receiving fewest votes is eliminated. Ballots that have been counted as votes for the eliminated candidate are instead counted as votes for the candidate who is ranked next on those ballots. The process of eliminating candidates and transferring votes to the next-ranked candidates on those ballots repeats for as many rounds as necessary until a candidate wins by receiving more than fifty percent of the votes for that office.

Because the instant runoff ranked choice voting process results in the election of each county official in a single election, separate primary and runoff elections to fill these offices would be unnecessary. Instead, candidates for county offices would run in one election with the winner chosen using the instant runoff ranked choice voting process. A similar process would be used to fill a vacancy that has more than one year remaining in the term of office. The replacement to serve the remainder of the term would be elected at the next May or November election using the instant runoff ranked choice voting process, so a separate special runoff election would not be necessary.

TIMING

The current system of electing county officers and filling vacancies would remain in place until instant runoff ranked choice voting is implemented in 2026.

Submitted by:
Jenny Madkour, County Attorney
Multnomah County

NO ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

League of Women Voters of Portland Recommendations

Based on League studies and member agreement, we support the following measures recommended by the Multnomah County Charter Review Committee.

Yes on Measure 26-232 – Ranked Choice Voting

- Ranked choice voting (RCV) provides more choices for voters who may rank candidates from most to least favorite. People can vote their conscience.
- The ranking process allows for just one election in November when voter turnout is higher and the electorate more accurately reflects Multnomah County’s diversity.
- RCV is successful and increasingly used across the United States. Multnomah County voters are as smart as folks in those communities and will understand how RCV works.
- RCV gives voters more power to elect the candidates they prefer. If a voter’s first choice doesn’t win, their vote counts for their next-highest choice.

Yes on Measure 26-230 – Gender Neutral Language

- The League supports equal rights for all and respectful government communications, as demonstrated by gender neutral language.
- There should be consistency between the use of gender neutral language in both county code and the charter.

Yes on Measure 26-234 – Ombuds Position

- An Ombuds position in the County Auditor’s Office will facilitate governmental accountability.

Yes on Measure 26-235 – Auditor Access to Information

- The Auditor’s capacity to ensure accountable, transparent government through audits and reports requires timely access to information.

Yes on Measure 26-236 – Charter Review Effectiveness

- Charter review by an independent committee is vital to keeping the county charter responsive to new issues or topics that were previously anticipated.
- Charter Review Committee effectiveness requires adequate time, a reasonable budget, and an effective committee member selection process.

The measures proposed by the County Charter Committee not mentioned in this statement are neither supported nor opposed by LWV Portland due to the lack of a League study on which to base an endorsement decision.

(As of publication date)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

YES ON 26-232 FOR REAL CHOICES IN OUR DEMOCRACY

Measure 26-232 will give Multnomah County voters a greater say in our county government and a stronger, more equitable democracy. Allowing voters to rank candidates, known as ranked choice voting, gives voters more meaningful choices, meaning everyone has more reason to vote. You can rank all the candidates, or just choose one.

Greater Representation

When voters are able to rank their ballot in order of their first, second, and third choice and beyond, voters have the freedom to vote for the candidates they truly believe in. Ranked choice voting allows voters to be a part of a process that uses their ballot to the fullest. If your first choice isn’t elected, you can trust your vote will be counted for your next choice.

Ranked Choice Voting Works

In Oregon, Benton County recently implemented ranked choice voting, and across the country from Alaska to New York City, communities are adopting this system to give voters more choice. Voters find these systems easy to use (recently, 85% of Alaskan voters said ranking candidates was “simple”). Other cities that have switched to ranked choice voting have saved voters time, saved tax dollars, and have elected officials who better represent the people as a result.

It’s time to give voters real choices so we can see real representation in our county government.

Join us in supporting Measure 26-232 for more voices and more choices in Multnomah County.

Organizations

- 350PDX
- Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon
- Coalition of Communities of Color
- Next Up
- North Star Action Center
- Oregon Food Bank
- Oregon Ranked Choice Voting
- Sightline Institute
- Verde

Political Scientists

- Paul Gronke, Ph.D., Professor, Reed College
- Paul Manson, Ph.D., Visiting Assistant Professor, Reed College
- Jack Miller, Ph.D., Dept. of Political Science, PSU
- Anne Santiago, Ph.D., Chair, Department of Political Science, University of Portland
- Mark Stephan, Ph.D., Associate Professor, WSU-Vancouver
- Charlie White, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus, PSU

(As of publication date)
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

VOTE YES ON MEASURE 26-232 FOR AN EQUITABLE DEMOCRACY

The Coalition of Communities of Color is an alliance of culturally-specific organizations dedicated to racial justice. An equitable democracy is the foundation for a strong and inclusive community, and ranked choice voting will help make all of our voices heard.

America’s promise is that each of us, whether we’re young or old, renter or homeowner, Black, white, or brown, has the right to vote for leaders who represent our communities. Allowing voters to rank candidates in order of preference, known as ranked choice voting, is a key strategy to advance representation, and should be adopted in Multnomah County.

Making all our voices count
Ranking candidates will ensure all of our ballots matter. Oregon has long been a leader for increasing access to the ballot. As voters of color are being disenfranchised across the country, we can come together to build a more inclusive democracy at home in Multnomah County.

New and diverse voices in government
Other cities that have passed reforms like these have seen new voices run for office and have elected new officials who represent the people—not special interests. This August in Alaska’s first election using ranked choice voting, voters rejected divisive politics and sent the first Alaska Native woman to Congress.

Voting our values
With ranked choice voting, you will have more choices and be able to pick candidates who truly represent your community and your values. When voters have more meaningful choices, they have more reasons to vote.

The Coalition of Communities of Color urges you to vote YES on Measure 26-232 for elections where all of us, Black, brown, or white, have choice and a meaningful say in our democracy.

(This information furnished by Jenny Lee, Coalition of Communities of Color)
Amends charter: annual jail inspections by commissioners with volunteers, reporting

Question: Should charter require county commissioners, with selected volunteers, inspect county jails annually, with interviews, record review, unannounced access, public reports?

Summary: State law requires the board of county commissioners to visit county operated local correctional facilities at least once each regular term to fully examine the facilities, including health and discipline of people in custody and cleanliness.

This charter amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee would require county commissioners to conduct at least one additional inspection of county jails and correctional institutions administered by the sheriff per calendar year to ensure transparency and oversight. Commissioners would use application process to select at least one volunteer member of the public to participate in inspections, with preference for individuals who live in, work in, or have demonstrated connections to county. Volunteers would be independent of county auditor and facilities inspected and provided reasonable stipends and administrative support.

Subject to reasonable measures to ensure safety and security, the sheriff would provide access for the county commissioner and volunteer to any part of inspected facilities any time without prior notice; for confidential interviews with consenting individuals, including adults in custody; and to records related to the facility being inspected. Volunteers would issue public reports with findings and recommendations.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

State law (ORS 169.040) provides that the board of county commissioners is the inspector of local correctional facilities in the county. For purposes of state law, Multnomah County currently has two local correctional facilities: Multnomah County Inverness Jail (Inverness) and Multnomah County Detention Center (MCDC). State law requires the board to visit local correctional facilities operated by the county at least once in each regular term to examine the facilities fully, including the health and discipline of the persons confined and the cleanliness of the facilities. As a result, the board visits Inverness and MCDC at least once a year.

This charter amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee would require county commissioners to make at least one additional visit per calendar year to county jails and correctional institutions administered by the sheriff under section 6.50 of the Charter (Sheriff) to ensure transparency and oversight.

County commissioners would be required to select at least one volunteer member of the public to participate in inspections. Volunteers would be selected using an application process, with preference given to those who live or work in the county or have a demonstrated connection to the county. Volunteers would be required to be independent of the county auditor and the facility or facilities being inspected. The county would provide volunteers with reasonable stipends and administrative support.

To facilitate inspections, and subject to reasonable measures to ensure safety and security, the sheriff would be required to provide access for the county commissioner and volunteer to any part of a county jail or correctional institution being inspected at any time without prior notice; for confidential interviews with consenting individuals, including adults in custody; and to records related to the facility being inspected. Volunteers would issue public reports with findings and recommendations.
Multnomah County

Measure 26-234

Referred to the People by the Board of County Commissioners as recommended by the Multnomah County Charter Review Committee

BALLOT TITLE

Amends charter: establishes ombudsperson function in county auditor’s office

Question: Should charter establish ombudsperson function in auditor's office to impartially investigate complaints about county administrative actions, make reports requiring response?

Summary: Under current charter, the county auditor conducts performance audits, makes reports; may conduct studies to measure, improve county performance; assists with redistricting; appoints salary commission.

This charter amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee would expand the auditor's duties by establishing an ombudsperson function in the auditor’s office. The ombudsperson would, under auditor direction, be available to the public as an impartial resource to receive and investigate complaints and make related reports about administrative actions of the county. Goal of ombudsperson is safeguarding rights of the public and promoting high standards of fairness, competency, efficiency and justice in provision of county services. Responsible elected officials would be required to respond in writing to ombudsperson reports.

The ombudsperson would not be authorized to investigate acts of an elected official or the elected official's personal staff, matters currently in litigation, matters subject to collective bargaining agreement grievance procedures, violations of county personnel rules, or discrimination complaints from an employee or applicant for employment. In carrying out its functions, the ombudsperson would be guided by generally accepted standards for governmental ombudsmen serving the public.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Under the current county charter, the county auditor conducts performance audits of all county operations and financial affairs and makes reports about those audits to the board of county commissioners. The auditor may conduct studies intended to measure or improve the performance of county efforts. In addition, the auditor's duties include a role in redistricting, including determining the population distribution among the commissioner districts after the federal decennial census and, if needed, preparing and presenting to the board of county commissioners a plan for modifying the boundaries of commissioner districts. The auditor also appoints a salary commission.

This charter amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee would expand the auditor's duties to include an ombudsperson function in the office of county auditor. Under the auditor’s direction, the ombudsperson would be available to the public as an impartial resource authorized to receive and investigate complaints and make related reports about administrative actions of the county. The goal of the ombudsperson would be to safeguard the rights of the public and promote high standards of fairness, competency, efficiency and justice in the provision of county services.

Similar to county audit reports, the chair of the board of county commissioners or the responsible elected official would be required to respond in writing to all ombudsperson reports stating what actions had been or would be taken to address the findings in the report. The written response would be given to the board and the auditor in a manner and time frame requested by the auditor.

NO ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

Submitted by:
Jenny Madkour, County Attorney
Multnomah County
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Yes on Measure 26-234 to establish an ombudsperson for Multnomah County!

What is an ombudsperson?

An ombudsperson is an independent, impartial advocate for a just, fair, and equitable county government.

Ombudspersons investigate complaints by community members about specific government decisions, policies, and other actions. An ombudsperson resolves problems, can recommend changes in policy, and issues public reports.

Who will the ombudsperson work for?

The ombudsperson will work for the public, under the direction of the County Auditor, who is independently elected and accountable to the people of Multnomah County. This means the ombudsperson will have the independence they need from county departments and management to effectively investigate government actions.

Why does Multnomah County need an ombudsperson?

Multnomah County provides critical safety net services to historically under-resourced community members, including people who have been incarcerated, experiencing houselessness, or receiving behavioral and physical health services. People also connect with county government through bridges and roads, libraries, and many other general services.

Even the best governments can make mistakes, treat people unfairly, craft policies that have disparate impacts, or simply reach the wrong decision. When that happens, people can contact the ombudsperson, who will take their complaint seriously. The Office of Ombudsperson will advocate for solutions that safeguard people’s rights and promote high standards of public service.

“Through independent, impartial investigations, the ombudsperson will seek solutions for people who have been treated unjustly, recommend steps to eliminate inequities, and improve people’s trust in government.” - Multnomah County Auditor Jennifer McGuirk

Vote Yes on Measure 26-234 to create the critical, impartial office of ombudsperson.

We support creating an Office of Ombudsperson for the people of Multnomah County:

Kristine Adams-Wannberg, Washington County Auditor-Elect
Gary Blackmer, Former Auditor for Portland, Multnomah County, & State of Oregon
Derek Collier, Multnomah County Auditor’s Community Advisory Committee
Brian Evans, Metro Auditor
LaVonne Griffin-Valade, Former Auditor of Portland & Multnomah County
Amanda Noble, Chair, Advocacy Committee, Association of Local Government Auditors

(This information furnished by Jennifer McGuirk)
Amends charter: auditor unrestricted access to information, requires “right-to-audit” clause

**Question:** Should charter provide county auditor timely, unrestricted access to employees, information, records, and require “right-to-audit” clause in county contracts?

**Summary:** Under current charter, the county auditor conducts performance audits and makes reports according to generally accepted government auditing standards; may conduct studies to measure and improve county performance; assists with redistricting; appoints salary commission. Other than the reference to generally accepted government auditing standards, the charter does not expressly address or limit the method or means of conducting audits, including the auditor’s access to employees, information, or records.

Under this amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee, the charter would require that the auditor be provided with unrestricted, timely access to county employees, information, and records required to perform auditor duties. The county and the auditor would determine how to provide and manage confidential or limited-access records or property consistent with any legal obligations.

The amendment would require all county contracts with outside contractors and subcontractors to contain a “right-to-audit” clause. Contracts with outside contractors and subcontractors also would be required to provide for auditor access to the contractor’s employees and to all financial and performance related records, property, and equipment purchased in whole or in part with county funds.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Under the current county charter, the county auditor conducts performance audits of all county operations and financial affairs and makes reports about those audits to the board of county commissioners according to generally accepted government auditing standards. The auditor may conduct studies intended to measure or improve the performance of county efforts. In addition, the auditor’s duties include a role in redistricting, including determining the population distribution among the commissioner districts after the federal decennial census and, if needed, preparing and presenting to the board of county commissioners a plan for modifying the boundaries of commissioner districts. The auditor also appoints a salary commission. Other than the reference to generally accepted government auditing standards, the charter does not expressly address or limit the method or means of conducting audits or performing other duties of the auditor. In particular, current charter does not expressly address or limit the auditor’s access to employees, information, or records.

Under this amendment recommended by the Charter Review Committee, the charter would require that the auditor be provided with unrestricted, timely access to county employees, information, and records required to perform duties of the auditor. The county and the auditor would determine how to provide and manage confidential or limited-access records or property consistent with any legal obligations.

**Submitted by:**
Jenny Madkour, County Attorney
Multnomah County

NO ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Vote Yes on Measure 26-235!

Your Multnomah County Auditor's job is to hold government accountable and make sure it spends your tax dollars efficiently, effectively, and equitably.

**The County Auditor cannot work for you effectively if county information is withheld or restricted from the Auditor. Vote Yes on 26-235 so the County Auditor will have unrestricted, timely access to county employees, information, and records.**

“Clarifying language in the Multnomah County Charter about the Auditor's access to information would provide a needed safeguard and improve transparency about the Auditor's information access.” - Amanda Noble, Chair, Advocacy Committee, Association of Local Government Auditors, https://tinyurl.com/2p86vpvk, 5/20/2022

While most county programs respond quickly to the County Auditor's information requests, that's not always the case. Delays have included:

- **Delayed access to data already reported to another agency.** In early 2022, a county department did not provide the Auditor with timely access to data that it already reports to a federal agency.
- **Delayed access to county information.** In early 2019, the county launched a new system for financial and human resources data. The Auditor started advocating for system access in 2017 - well before the launch. It wasn't until the end of 2019 that the Auditor got adequate access to this data source used in nearly every audit.
- **Restricted and delayed access.** During a 2018 Animal Services follow-up audit, the director placed restrictions on the Auditor's access to the shelter and delayed access to data needed to complete the audit.

**Vote Yes on Measure 26-235 to ensure the County Auditor's Office can access the information it needs to hold your government accountable.**

“I support this measure. It strengthens government auditing carried out in the public interest.”

– Kristine Adams-Wannberg, Washington County Auditor-Elect

We support Measure 26-235:

Gary Blackmer, Former Auditor for Portland, Multnomah County, & State of Oregon

Derek Collier, Multnomah County Auditor’s Community Advisory Committee

Brian Evans, Metro Auditor

LaVonne Griffin-Valade, Former Auditor of Portland & Multnomah County

(This information furnished by Jennifer McGuirk)
Measure 26-236

Referred to the People by the Board of County Commissioners as recommended by the Multnomah County Charter Review Committee

BALLOT TITLE

Amends Charter Review Committee qualifications, appointment, length; requires public engagement

Question: Should charter require county board to appoint Charter Review Committee by commissioner district for 18 month process with public engagement?

Summary: Under current charter, state legislators appoint Charter Review Committee after application process with timelines, with two electors appointed from each senatorial district with majority of voters in county, and one elector appointed from each senatorial district with less than majority of voters in county. Appointees from same district cannot be registered in same political party. Committee can meet from September to August (up to 11 months). Committee chooses chairperson.

Under amendment recommended by Charter Review Committee, timeline for application and appointment would be removed. After application process, county board would appoint four electors from each commissioner district (16 members) and endeavor to appoint committee that represents diverse communities in the county. Removes restriction on appointee political party; appointee moving between districts after appointment could continue to serve. Committee could meet from March to August of the following year (up to 18 months). Committee to choose leadership. Office of Citizen Involvement could fill vacancies and would be required to staff committee and conduct public education, outreach, engagement that aligns with county’s equity and inclusion values.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Every six years, Multnomah County convenes a Charter Review Committee to make a comprehensive study of the County’s home rule charter, and, if it chooses, the committee can recommend amendments to the charter to be submitted to the voters.

Under current charter, the Charter Review Committee is composed of two electors appointed from each senatorial district having the majority of its voters within the county, and one elector appointed from each senatorial district having less than a majority of its voters within the county. The committee is appointed by the state senator and two state representatives who represent residents in each state senate district located in the county. The Office of Citizen Involvement begins accepting applications in January of the year that the committee convenes, and forwards those applications to the state senator who represents each applicant. The state legislators appoint committee members in August of that same year. Appointees from the same district cannot be registered in the same political party. The current charter does not address how vacancies are filled or whether a committee member can continue to serve if they move out of the district they were appointed to represent. The charter provides that the committee will choose a chairperson. Under current charter, the committee convenes in September and must make its final report by the following August, allowing up to 11 months for the committee to study the charter and determine whether to make recommendations.

This charter amendment recommended by the current Charter Review Committee would change the Charter Review Committee member qualifications and appointment process. It would also extend the length of the time during which the committee could meet and would require the process to include public engagement.

In particular, this amendment removes the application and appointment timeline. The Office of Citizen Involvement would continue to administer the committee application and evaluation process, but appointments would be by the county chair with the approval of the board of county commissioners. Appointments would be by county commissioner district, rather than senate district, with four electors appointed per district, for a 16 member committee. There would be no requirement that appointees from the same district be from different political parties. The amendment would require the board to endeavor to appoint a committee that represents the diverse communities in the county. The committee would choose its own leadership structure.

The committee would convene in March of the year before it is required to make its final report, allowing up to 18 months for the committee to study the charter and determine whether to make recommendations.

The amendment would clarify that an appointee who moves between commissioner districts can continue to serve on the committee and would allow the Office of Citizen Involvement to fill vacancies.

The amendment would require the Office of Citizen Involvement to staff the committee and include public education, outreach, and engagement that aligns with the county’s equity and inclusion values as part of the committee process, including as part of the application process.

Submitted by:
Jenny Madkour, County Attorney
Multnomah County

NO ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OR OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.
Amends Charter: Changes Portland’s government structure and process for electing city officials

Question: Should Administrator manage city government, 12-member Council (three from each district) make laws, voters elect officials using ranked choice process?

Summary: Charter Commission’s proposal to change structure of Portland city government.

Currently, City Council includes one Mayor and four Commissioners elected citywide. Council makes laws; Mayor and Commissioners directly manage bureaus. Voters choose one candidate per office in citywide primary elections with runoff elections if necessary.

If measure is approved:

• City Administrator, supervised by Mayor, manages daily operations, including hiring, firing, and supervising bureau directors
• Council expanded to twelve members; City divided into four geographic districts created by Independent District Commission; three Councilors elected to represent each district
• Council makes laws. Mayor may introduce laws, vote to break ties on non-emergency ordinances
• Independent Salary Commission sets elected officials’ salaries
• City elections use “ranked choice voting” process that allows voters to rank candidates in order of preference instead of casting a single vote; primary elections eliminated. For citywide offices (Mayor, Auditor), votes tallied in rounds until single candidate receives majority. For Councilors, votes tallied and reallocated in rounds until three candidates in each district meet election threshold.
• Cost estimate: $900,000 to $8.7 million annually
• Includes other provisions

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Portland Charter Commission recommends amending the City Charter to reform the structure and operation of city government. The recommendations, made after months of study and community engagement, are supported by seventeen of the twenty Charter Commission members.

The measure includes three interdependent reforms:

(1) City Administrator, supervised by Mayor, manages City

Currently: City Council, consisting of Mayor and four Commissioners, exercises legislative and executive powers. Executive power includes managing city bureaus.

If measure is approved: City Council continues to exercise legislative power to make laws. A City Administrator hired by Mayor and confirmed by Council exercises executive power to implement laws and manage city bureaus. City Administrator hires, fires, and supervises bureau directors. Mayor is not a member of City Council but may introduce laws and break tie votes on non-emergency ordinances. An Independent Salary Commission of human resource professionals sets elected officials’ salaries.

(2) City Council expanded to 12; three from each of four new geographic districts

Currently: City Council consists of five members—one Mayor and four Commissioners—elected citywide.

If measure is approved: City Council expands to 12 members, elected from four new geographic districts, with three Councilors representing each district. An Independent District Commission draws district boundary lines, to be adjusted every decade beginning in 2030 based on census population data.

(3) City officials to be elected using “ranked choice voting” process

Currently: Qualified Portland voters cast one vote for each candidate for each office in citywide election for Mayor, Auditor, City Council members. If no candidate for an office receives more than 50% of votes at May primary, the top two candidates compete in November runoff election.

If measure is approved: Voters may rank candidates in order of preference, with votes tallied in rounds until there is a winner. Ranked choice voting results in one general election, eliminating primary elections.

Ballot tallying methods depend on the office. For officials chosen at a citywide election—Mayor and Auditor—an “instant runoff” process is used to count ballots in rounds. If no candidate receives over 50% of the votes in the first round, the candidate receiving fewest votes is eliminated, and that candidate’s votes are transferred to each voter’s next-highest ranked candidate. The process continues for as many rounds as necessary until a candidate exceeds a 50% majority. For City Council seats, a “single transferrable vote” method is used. Candidates win when they exceed a threshold set by the number of available positions. Ballots are counted in rounds; any candidate exceeding the threshold is elected, and that candidate’s votes above the threshold are proportionally transferred to other candidates based on voters’ preference. The candidate receiving the fewest votes each round is eliminated, and that candidate’s votes are transferred to other candidates based on voters’ preferences. The process continues for as many rounds as necessary until all positions are filled.

The City Budget Office estimates the cost of implementing the measure is about $900,000 to $8.7 million annually, representing about 0.1 to 1.4% of Portland’s discretionary funding.

Submitted by:
Mary Hull Caballero, City Auditor
City of Portland
Measure 26-228

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Portland is ready for positive change.
Measure 26-228 will upgrade our outdated city government to a more responsive and efficient structure that will better deliver city services.

Changing our city charter will give everyone more voice and more choice — including communities of color, women, workers, small businesses, and East Portlanders.

Measure 26-228 will:
- Balance power between the Mayor and City Council
- Change City Council’s duties to setting policy and solving big problems rather than managing day-to-day city services
- Allow voters to rank candidates in order of preference
- Increase the size of City Council to 12
- Create four geographic districts electing three City Council members each
- Implement a professional City Administrator who will manage all city bureaus.

This thoughtful, comprehensive measure will get Portland working for the people again.

Measure 26-228 is supported by a broad coalition, including:
- League of Women Voters of Portland
- Business for a Better Portland
- ACLU of Oregon
- Oregon Food Bank
- NAACP Portland Branch
- Coalition of Communities of Color
- Portland Association of Teachers
- Basic Rights Oregon
- SEIU Local 49
- LIUNA Local 737
- Northwest Health Foundation
- City Club of Portland
- Urban League of Portland
- Native American Youth And Family Center
- Latino Network
- Hacienda Community Development Corporation
- Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon (APANO)
- Unite Oregon
- OPAL Environmental Justice Oregon
- Next Up Oregon
- Multnomah County Democrats
- Sightline Institute
- Portland: Neighbors Welcome
- East County Rising
- Living Cully

Community leaders say YES on Measure 26-228:
- Secretary of State Phil Kiesling (vote-by-mail champion)
- Small business owners Debbie & Jim Kitchin, Chris Nelson, Hope Beraka, and Nat West (Rev Nat’s Cider)
- State Senators Michael Dembrow, Kayse Jama, and Akasha Lawrence Spence
- State Representatives Khanh Pham, Maxine Dexter, and Andrea Valderrama
- Multnomah County Commissioner Susheela Jayapal
- Metro Councilors Duncan Hwang and Shirley Cradick

It’s time to make Portland the city that works for everyone. Vote YES on Measure 26-228!

View more information and a complete list of supporters at PortlandUnitedForChange.com

(This information furnished by Marisol Mora, Portland United for Change)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Changing Portland’s Government

Frequently Asked Questions

Why change, why now?
- Portland hasn’t updated its government in over 100 years.
- Our population has tripled since then, yet we still have just 5 City Councilors for a city of over 650,000.
- Portland is the last city in America where City Council directly oversees day-to-day operations.
- Portland cannot afford to delay this change: From housing and homelessness to public safety, climate change, and infrastructure — the challenges we face require us to be functioning at our best.

How much will this cost?
- Very little. At most, ongoing costs are estimated at just 0.14% of the City’s total budget.
- Examples of cost savings: City Councilors collaborating on constituent services and not being paid for managing city bureaus. Public campaign financing for only one general election (no primary).

Why three city councilors per district?
- Multi-member districts will give Portlanders better representation at City Hall.
- In each district, all candidates will run for the three seats at once and the top three become lawmakers who all represent the district.
- Multi-member districts encourage cooperation, discourage negative campaigning, and ensure the vast majority of voters gets at least one of their top choices.

What is ranked choice voting?
- Allowing voters to rank candidates in order of preference.
- You can rank some candidates, all of them, or just one.
- If your first choice comes in last, that candidate is eliminated and your ballot will be counted for your second choice. That process repeats until one candidate has a majority.
- In single-member ranked choice elections, the candidate wins with 50% of the vote.
- In three-member ranked choice elections, each candidate needs at least 25% to win one of the three seats.

Who else uses ranked choice to elect multiple winners?
- NYC, San Francisco, Salt Lake City, Boulder, CO, Alaska, Benton County, OR and many others use single-winner ranked-choice.

PortlandUnitedForChange.com

(This information furnished by Damon Motz-Storey, Portland United for Change)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

League of Women Voters of Portland Urges a YES vote on Measure 26-228

Based on League studies, we believe this measure’s interdependent elements will make Portland government and elections more effective, accountable, responsive, and representative.

Effective and Accountable
- City Council no longer manages city bureaus and can focus on policy and constituent services.
- Professional city administrator manages bureaus. Mayor supervises city administrator, so an elected official is accountable.
- Mayor has tie-breaking vote on non-emergency ordinances, preventing gridlock. Emergency ordinances require supermajority vote.

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Local business owners say YES to Measure 26-228

Small businesses are the lifeblood of Portland's culture and our economy. For our economy to prosper and work for all of us, Portland's government needs a big, positive change.

That change is Measure 26-228, and the time is now.

"Imagine entrepreneurs who will have a smoother pathway to local permitting and small business support as well as three local council members in their district to choose from in voicing a concern or need.

“We cannot delay progress any longer: the risks of continued dysfunction and divestment are too great.”
- Debbie Kitchin, co-owner, Interworks, LLC; and Andrew Speer, Portland Business Journal 7-21-2022

“Small business owners deserve both a better-functioning city government and greater representation. Measure 26-228 delivers both, improving both Portland’s desirability for new businesses to locate and stay here as well as our ability to cultivate new entrepreneurs. This measure is a step in the right direction, and as business leaders we look forward to continuing to work with city government to ensure these reforms are implemented thoughtfully and effectively. Join us in supporting the charter reform campaign.”
- Karin Power
  Executive Director, Business for a Better Portland

“Historically, Portland's famed quality of life has attracted top talent. Today, this reputation is being undermined by our city's outdated and ineffective form of government. This is bad for business, bad for our most vulnerable — bad for nearly everyone. For businesses like mine to succeed, we need our city to succeed. That's why I'm voting Yes for charter reform.”
-William Henderson
  CEO, Ride Report Cofounder, Business for a Better Portland

Local business leaders supporting Charter Reform:

Stan Amy, Co-founder, New Seasons Market
Bridgid Blackburn, Owner, Cargo Inc.
Stephen B. Green, founder, PitchBlack
Anyeley Hallowa, founder, Adre
Jim Kelly, Founder, Rejuvenation
Chris Nelson, Principal of Capstone Partners
Mac Prichard, founder, Mac's List
Eli Spevak, Orange Splot LLC
Bryan Steelman, Owner, ¿Por Que No?
Nat West, Founder, Reverend Nat's Hard Cider

(This information furnished by Aaron Brown, Portland United for Change)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Vote YES for Portland Charter Reform, for:

More democratic, accessible, local representation by trusted neighbors who share our experiences/issues, bringing more depth/breadth for local solutions, and reducing outsiders’ corrupting donations.

Clarity, accountability, responsiveness to Portlanders.

Reducing conflicts of interest, incompetency, distrust.

More efficient services per city funds.

Saving Portlanders/businesses money/time.

Keeping excellent city workers.

Reducing campaign costs/delays so we get more diversity and improved leadership.

Supporting citizen engagement/power and stronger communities.

Being kinder, reducing violence/trauma; serving Portlanders’ needs, addressing root causes of national problems of gun and interpersonal violence, addiction, suicide, unsafe/unfair work, educational injustice, poverty, houselessness, soaring mental illness, and polarizing fear/contempt.

Increasing resilience with global problems (climate change, pandemics, inflation/recession/unemployment, robbing social services to fund corporate welfare and militarization/prisons, worsening disempowerment/fascism, gaps between rich and poor, houselessness, police-prison brutality and protests, despair) addressed through Portlanders having more voice/choice with solutions to make Portland safer, healthier, with secure water/food, housing, transportation safety/equity, energy justice, etc.

Nurturing more joy working together to make our city governed by mutual caring respect/justice, attracting and bringing out the best in each of us, so Portland can inspire and lead the world for a better future for all.

Portland Gray Panthers commit to correcting ageism against youth and elders, and nurturing social justice now and for our great, great grandchildren. Vote yes so Portlanders can succeed learning, working, raising families, and aging within a caring, just Portland.

(This information furnished by Lew Church, Portland Gray Panthers)
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

POLITICAL SCIENCE EXPERTS: VOTE YES ON MEASURE 26-228

We are political scientists from the Portland metropolitan area who have come together to support Measure 26-228 to reform Portland’s democracy. We work at numerous institutions of higher learning in the area and are well-versed in questions of governance and elections. We believe the component parts of this ballot measure can improve Portland’s governance, widen representation, diversify our elected officials, and increase voter engagement.

The city needs a change to the charter now. This measure is the change we need.

As scholars who study different aspects of the changes in this measure, we know the governance rules being considered here are familiar in many other US cities and internationally. Components such as the hiring of a city administrator and clarifying the separate roles of the mayor and council are embedded in urban politics around the US. Increasing the size of the council and creating districts are standard reforms of the late 20th and early 21st centuries. Ranked choice voting and multi-member districts are newer electoral reforms that increase the number of voices heard and the diversity of their perspectives. NYC recently joined numerous other cities using ranked-choice voting; surveys are demonstrating that citizens are very happy with it.

All of Portland is helped by these reforms.

We are not just academic experts on these matters. We are voters, too – and we hope you will join us in supporting Measure 26-228.

Mark Stephan, PhD, Associate Professor, WSU
Anne Santiago, PhD, Associate Professor, University of Portland
Paul Gronke, PhD, Professor, Reed College
Paul Manson, PhD, Visiting Assistant Professor, Reed College
Jack Miller, PhD, Senior Instructor, PSU
Charlie White, PhD, Professor Emeritus, PSU
Chris Shortell, PhD, Association Professor, PSU

All views are solely the views of those participating and are not meant to reflect the perspectives of their universities.

The goal of these changes? To make the City Council reflective of and responsive to our diverse communities. To encourage City leaders and agencies to spend more time listening to constituents, collaborating with each other and communities, and solving problems.

Oregon has a legacy of leading the nation on democracy reform. We were the first state to adopt vote-by-mail statewide, an innovation that helped save American democracy in 2020. Oregon also passed automatic voter registration in 2015, enfranchising hundreds of thousands of Oregonians.

Yet even with these wins, Portland remains the only major U.S. city still using an outdated commission system. Now, with Measure 26-228, voters have a chance to make the city’s first update in over 100 years.

There is no reason to delay this much-needed change. We know this works: satisfaction is higher in communities that use ranked choice voting and multi-member districts. Many Portlanders do not feel seen or heard by our elected leaders, and we cannot afford to kick the can down the road.

Communities are ready to build the future of our city together. Measure 26-228 will help us build it.

Vote YES on changing the City of Portland’s charter.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Racial Justice Leaders Say YES on Measure 26-228

Whether we’re young or old, renter or homeowner, Black, white, or brown, every Portlander has the right to vote for leaders who represent our values and communities.

Measure 26-228 is the chance we need in order for our city government to serve all of us well.

Racial justice leaders who support changing our city government include:

- NAACP Portland Branch
- Latino Network
- Native American Youth And Family Center
- Coalition of Communities of Color
- Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon (APANO)
- OPAL Environmental Justice Oregon
- Unite Oregon
- Verde
- Next Up Oregon
- Hacienda Community Development Corporation
- Oregon Futures Lab
- Color PAC

Since 1995, 75% of Portland City Council members have been white men and less than 4% have been people of color. Communities of color make up 25% of the population in Portland and have been underrepresented for most of our city’s history.

The leaders of color who have made it to Portland City Council today have had to overcome enormous odds to serve in public office. And they face far more vitriol than their white counterparts.

Representation matters, and too many Portlanders are still waiting to see someone on City Council who looks like them.

Communities of color are also more likely to live in North, Northeast, and East Portland neighborhoods that lack basic infrastructure like sidewalks and street lights.

Ranked choice voting, multi-member districts, and a professional city administrator will help Portland take a huge step towards racial equity and justice.

- Cities with ranked choice multi-winner elections see more
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consistent representation of communities of color.
- Districts will help call attention to the needs of currently-overlooked neighborhoods.
- City Council will no longer oversee day-to-day services and instead focus on solving larger challenges and meeting their constituents’ diverse needs.

We have waited for too long and we must not delay any further. Vote YES on Measure 26-228.
PortlandUnitedForChange.com/endorsements

(This information furnished by Jenny Lee, Coalition of Communities of Color)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Civic institutions support a YES vote on Measure 26-228 to change our city charter:
- League of Women Voters of Portland
- City Club of Portland
- Sightline Institute
- NAACP Portland Branch
- Next Up Oregon
- North Star Action Center
- Common Cause Oregon
- Multnomah County Democrats
- East County Rising
- Our Revolution Oregon
- Portland-Metro People’s Coalition
- Mt. Scott-Arleta Neighborhood Association
- Vernon Neighborhood Association
- Living Cully
- Portland: Neighbors Welcome
- Oregon Physicians for Social Responsibility
- Oregon Ranked Choice Voting Advocates

For too long, Portland’s been held back by an inefficient and outdated commission form of government that leads to siloed and uncoordinated city services.

City Commissioners are assigned bureaus to oversee despite not necessarily knowing how to manage large agency budgets and personnel. Bureaus can be reassigned at any time, making it difficult for Portland to achieve long-term goals.

Portland experiences a persistent lack of diversity in who represents voters on City Council. Since 1995, three-quarters of City Council seats have been held by white men; almost all City Commissioners have lived on the city’s west side or inner eastside. Only two City Councilmembers have ever lived east of 82nd Avenue, where over 25% of Portland’s population lives.

Measure 26-228 will make a huge difference in fixing these issues and will set Portland on a better path. Communities of color, women, and working class Portlanders will have a fair shot with this change to our city charter.

Portland’s independent Charter Review Commission was appointed in 2020 by each member of City Council. They spent 18 months researching and hearing from thousands of Portlanders about the change our city needs. The commission voted 17 out of 20 (85%) to send Measure 26-228 to voters.

The measure is designed to respond to Portlanders’ clear call for a responsive, effective, and accountable city government that represents all of Portland’s diverse communities.

Portland cannot afford to wait any longer. The time is now for a better government that represents everyone well.

Vote YES on Measure 26-228.

(This information furnished by Damon Motz-Storey, Portland United for Change)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Teachers, healthcare workers, laborers, and service workers encourage a YES vote on Measure 26-228 - Portland Charter Reform

It’s time to make Portland “The City that Works” for everyone.

Organized labor unions in support of Measure 26-228 to amend Portland’s charter:
- Portland Association of Teachers
- Laborers International Union of North America (LiUNA) Local 737
- Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 49

Teachers say YES on charter reform:
- Our school children deserve quality city services delivered quickly and efficiently.
- It’s empowering for students to see local leaders from the district they live in.
- Teachers who are better supported by a well-run city government will have greater job satisfaction and quality of life.

Laborers say YES on charter reform:
- Uncoordinated city bureaus bring delays and unforced errors on infrastructure projects, slowing the growth of family wage jobs. Charter reform will streamline city permitting, encouraging more job growth while also easing pressure on the construction industry.
- With all bureaus managed by a single City Administrator oversee by the Mayor, Measure 26-228 means working families can count on consistent, accountable governance and leadership

Healthcare and service workers say YES on charter reform:
- A healthy city requires a healthy democracy.
- Working class voters deserve more voice and more choice in selecting their representation in City Hall.

For a full list of the latest endorsements of Portland Charter Reform, visit PortlandUnitedForChange.com/endorsements

(This information furnished by Jenny Lee, Coalition of Communities of Color)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Portland’s Environmental, Climate, and Transportation leaders support charter reform - Vote YES on Measure 26-228

Portland City Council and its bureaus make decisions with significant consequences to our streets, our community, our environment and our planet.

Portland’s disappearing tree canopy and increasing heat islands are becoming increasingly urgent for the city to address as climate change makes summers hotter and heat waves more frequent. City government can and should be doing more to make commuting by bus and active transportation easier, safer, and more accessible for every Portlander, regardless of their neighborhood or zip code. As the climate crisis looms and brings more extreme weather, Portland must be a proactive national leader in investing in disaster preparedness and climate mitigation.

As advocacy organizations, we are proud of our accomplishments to encourage City Hall to reflect Portlander’s values and fight for clean air, safer streets and climate action. Unfortunately, too often the size and impact of our successes has been constrained by structural limitations inherent in Portland’s outdated form of government.

In order to make progress towards these environmental, climate, and transportation goals, we need a better form of government that empowers everyday Portlanders to
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**ARGUMENT IN FAVOR**

**Housing Advocates & Social Services Providers urge YES on Measure 26-228 to Change our City Charter**

- Community Alliance of Tenants
- Hacienda Community Development Corporation
- Portland: Neighbors Welcome
- Living Cully
- Sandra Comstock, Executive Director, Hygiene 4 All

Our housing crisis is still ongoing and the COVID-19 pandemic has made conditions worse for many. This year, those living outside in our city have had to face the hottest average summer temperatures on record in the same year as a record-breaking April snowstorm.

At the same time, we are making progress towards both keeping people housed and expanding housing options for people living unsheltered.

Make no mistake: using an improved form of government will dramatically improve our ability to push city hall to tackle our housing crisis. That is why we enthusiastically encourage a "YES on Measure 26-228" to bring Portland's city services into alignment with each other.

Too often Portland's city government operates without coordination, and a professional city administrator running all of the city's bureaus would go a long way towards eliminating unnecessary obstacles that block or slow people from accessing services or housing.

Furthermore, research shows that Measure 26-228's plans for proportional representation empowers neighborhoods to plan for expected growth and new housing.

Streamlining the permitting process across city bureaus for construction projects is reason enough to vote YES on Measure 26-228. We need to clear every logjam that prevents getting people into stable homes and shelters, and changing our city charter will only make it easier to build enough housing and shelter so that every Portlander has a safe and warm place to call home.

Measure 26-228 is our best shot at improving our government so that Portland can truly tackle our housing affordability crisis.

Join us in voting YES for affordable housing.
Join us in voting YES for the Portland Charter Reform.

*PortlandUnitedForChange.com/endorsements*

(This information furnished by Aaron Brown, Portland United for Change)

**ARGUMENT IN FAVOR**

**Dear Portland,**

We are the 17 out of 20 Charter Commissioners who voted to refer Measure 26-228 to you, the voters. We came together from all walks of life and pored over public comments, survey responses, and community workshop data for 18 months. We took seriously our task to understand what Portlanders are looking for in their city government.

Measure 26-228 is a common-sense reform that will make Portland a better place for all of us.

Join us in voting YES on Measure 26-228:

**Elected officials:**
- Phil Keisling (Former Secretary of State of Oregon, vote-by-mail champion)
- State Senator Michael Dembrow (East Portland - Senate District 23)
- State Senator Kayse Jama (East Portland - Senate District 24)
- State Senator Akasha Lawrence Spence (Southwest Portland - Senate District 18)
- State Representative Khanh Pham (East Portland - House District 46)
- State Representative Maxine Dexter (Northwest Portland - House District 33)
- State Representative Andrea Valderrama (East Portland - House District 47)
- Mark Gamba, Democratic Party primary winner (Southeast Portland - House District 41)
- Metro Councilor Duncan Hwang (Southwest and Southeast Portland - District 6)
- Metro Councilor Shirley Craddick (East Portland - District 1)
- Susheela Jayapal, Multnomah County Commissioner (North and Northeast Portland - District 2)

**Community leaders:**
- Mike Alfoni, Oregon Center for Voting and Elections
- Stan Amy, Co-Founder, New Seasons Market
- Sophia Asghar, Founder and CEO, True Measure
- Caitlin Baggott Davis, CEO, North Star Civic Foundation
- Jesse Beason, President & CEO, Northwest Health Foundation
- Hope Beraka, Owner, Think Real Estate
- Stephen Bozzone, Director, Bozz Media
- Marissa Cade, small business leader, Pregame
- Danny Cage, youth climate justice activist
- Colin Cole, Policy Director, More Equitable Democracy
- Sharon Gary-Smith, President, NAACP Portland Branch 1120
- Stephen B. Green, entrepreneur, founder, PitchBlack
- Luke Kanies, founder of Puppet and Clickety software
- Jim Kelly, founder of Rejuvenation
- Pamela Kislak, COO, LEVER Architecture
- Jim Labbe, Participatory Budgeting Oregon
- William Miller, Executive Director, NAYA Action Fund
- Marcus Mundy, Executive Director, Coalition of Communities of Color
- Chris Nelson, principal, Capstone Partners
- Mac Pritchard, founder of Mac's List
- Bob Sallinger, environmental conservationist
- Hank Schottland, Downtown Portland resident
- Chris Smith, former Planning and Sustainability Commissioner

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struggling with and how to build a better future for all of us. When was the last time that you were in a room of Portlanders where 85% enthusiastically agreed on something? One of the great honors of this work has been coming to consensus around our unified approach to the change that Portlanders told us our city needs. We were appointed by different City Commissioners and yet all of us found common ground in making Portland’s government more effective, responsive, and representative—especially for those who have been historically left out.

We wholeheartedly believe that, based on what we learned from Portlanders through months of civic engagement and close scrutiny of city government models, the measure before you gives us the best chance at building a brighter future for our city together.

Proportional representation (multi-member council districts with ranked choice voting) is one of the best models of democracy for giving everyone a meaningful voice at City Hall. Streamlined oversight of the bureaus by a professional city administrator overseen by the Mayor will give us the effective government that we need to address the challenges our city faces.

As private citizens who love the City of Portland and all that it can live up to, We hope you will vote YES on Measure 26-228 and help make Portland “the City that Works” for everyone.

**Portland Charter Commissioners and proud residents of Portland:**

- Candace Avalos
- Melanie Billings-Yun
- Anthony Castaneda
- Salomé Chimukhu
- Gloria Cruz
- Dave Galat
- Yasmin Ibarra
- Brenda Ketah
- Debbie Kitchin
- Bryan Lewis
- Hanna Osman
- Debra Porto
- Raahy Reddy
- Andrew Speer
- Amira Streeter
- Becca Uherbelau
- Robin Ye

(This information furnished by Robin Ye, Portland United for Change)

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**ARGUMENT IN FAVOR**

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**RESEARCH: CHARTER CHANGES ARE BEST-IN-CLASS**

As an independent, nonprofit public policy think tank serving the Pacific Northwest for nearly 30 years, Sightline Institute is proud to endorse Measure 26-228 and its proposed changes to Portland’s city charter. Our democracy research team has studied elections systems for over a decade.

**Highlights from Sightline’s research:**

- Multi-member districts resist gerrymandering, give more Portlanders a councilor that represents their interests, and provide geographic representation for areas like East Portland.
- Ranked choice voting is a reliable, road-tested method that better represents voters' preferences, and voters find it easy to understand and use. In Alaska’s recent ranked choice election, polling indicated that 85 percent of voters found it simple.
- A 12-member city council will better align Portland with recommended representative-to-population ratios and offer residents more avenues for engagement.
- Eliminating the need for primaries ensures an electorate that is significantly larger, younger, and more racially diverse. Of the past 15 City Council elections, only 5 were decided in the November general election, when about twice as many voters turn out. The rest ended in the primary, when voters are less representative of the city’s communities.

Our full research can be found at sightline.org/portland-charter.

(Information furnished by Jay Lee, Sightline Institute)

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**ARGUMENT IN FAVOR**

Hey everyone. So, a couple comments on the ranked choice voting (RCV) part of measure 26-228.

First, if you want to know how RCV elections are counted, I urge you to watch these two YouTube videos from when Minneapolis started using RCV in 2009. They’re really short, easy to follow, and include some details that other videos tend to leave out. RCV is called “instant runoff” in these videos.

Watch this one first: (1:26) Single-winner RCV for PDX mayor & auditor tinyurl.com/RCV-MPR-1

And it turns out that having lots of voters lose is necessary for gerrymandering to be fully effective. That’s because gerrymandering consists of drawing the district lines in a way that decides in advance which voters will lose. The more voters win, the less well gerrymandering works. And with proportional RCV, more voters win; you can see that in the second video above.

My third comment isn’t actually specific to RCV or even to this particular measure. I just wanted to say, if there’s a ballot measure you mostly like but have a few concerns about, please try to have realistic standards. People are amazingly diverse, and writing a ballot measure involves lots of compromises! So unless you wrote the measure yourself, it’ll be easy to find what you consider imperfections. And voting against it probably wouldn’t lead to a measure you liked more.

Would you rather live in a world in which the measure passed, or in the status quo world?

Thanks.
ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

Vote NO on Measure 26-228

do Get to a Better YES

We DO NOT have to wait 10 years for another charter commission review.

Changing our city charter is absolutely needed, but with a proposal that is more democratic, fiscally responsible and transparent. **We can have an alternative proposal.** This critically important decision must be done right. We need a government structure that is proven to work in order to face our serious issues of homelessness, public safety and mental health and drug addiction.

**FIRST NO**

As community leaders that have worked in government, we know that accountability is necessary to solve problems. The current proposal will only make our city government less accountable and it will be even harder to hold leaders responsible for solutions.

Portland is a facing a critical moment. We can’t afford to try a new experiment in managing our city. We must not go from a government structure that no one uses to one that has never been used before.

**THEN A BETTER YES**

The first step in drafting a better proposal is to defeat this measure. As soon as it is defeated, City Council can begin to draft a better measure to send to the voters at the next available election.

A majority of the city council can put a proposal on the ballot at any time. Commissioner Mingus Mapps said that he will bring forward an alternative proposal if this current proposal is defeated. The better proposal can include a city administrator to improve efficiency and outcomes, districts to increase representation, and single-members from each district to increase accountability to our residents. This is a government model used widely across the country and proven to work.

Portland deserves a common-sense alternative. VOTE NO.

**Partnership for Common Sense Government**

Stephen Kafoury
Mike Lindberg
Maria Rojo de Steffey
Vadim Mozersky
Charles Duffy

((This information furnished by Charles Duffy, Partnership for Common Sense Government))

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

**FORMER PORTLAND CITY COMMISSIONERS SAY**

VOTE NO ON #26-228

Lacks Accountability

The proposal calls for three Councilors per district, 12 in all. You will never know who can help you, or whether they deserve your vote at the next election. Under this proposal, no one is elected to the Council with a citywide point of view, so only the most narrow interests will be at the heart of city policy discussions. In the name of “separation of powers”, there is no interaction with, or oversight for, the Mayor and City Manager. Simply put, like never before, you and your neighborhood will be on your own.

**Creates Chaos**

This proposal provides no clear way for disagreements between the Mayor and the council to be resolved. Further, by relegating the Mayor to a “ceremonial” role, it will be impossible for other partners, public and private, to ever know who speaks for the City.

**Confusing**

This proposal would put in place not one but two separate processes for elections, one for the Council and one for the Mayor and Auditor. It also enables Council candidates to win by losing, requiring only 25% of the turnout plus one within each district to become elected. Gone will be the days when winning an election meant getting a majority of the voters to agree with you. In fact, the Council election process is so confusing that you’ll never know who “won” and why.

City government needs to change. This proposal is not the change we all need and deserve. None of the challenges we face are addressed by this measure. Don’t let Portland go from a “City of Neighborhoods” to a “City of self-appointed special interests.”

**Vote NO. We can do better!**

Amanda Fritz
Randy Leonard
Mike Lindberg
Margaret Strachan

((This information furnished by Mike Lindberg))

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

VOTE “NO” on #26-228 AND MAKE PORTLAND A CITY OF VISION, NOT DIVISION

Portland has acquired an international reputation for both innovation and sustainability. This Portland “brand” exists because unlike other places, Portland has been willing to envision itself, the entire city, as a different kind of place. For example, while other cities:

- Built freeways on their waterfronts, Portland took one out.
- Rushed to compete with their suburbs by turning themselves over to the automobile, Portland chose to reimagine itself as a place for bikes and pedestrians, and to convert a 2-story parking structure into what we now know as Pioneer Square.
- Doubled down on their use of fossil fuels, Portland worked to conserve energy, encourage solar power, and expand transit use citywide.
- Sprawled to the horizon, Portland worked with its regional and statewide partners to corral sprawl and create an intelligent urbanism with nature at its heart.

All of these landmark efforts came about because Portland was willing to rethink itself as a whole, rather than as a disconnected “kit of parts.” The current Charter change proposal threatens to make visionary, citywide thinking a thing of the past. No member of the proposed Council will:

- Be elected with a citywide point of view.
- Represent citywide interests or aims in Portland policymaking.
- Be expected to envision a better city for all of us.

Changes in how we govern ourselves here in Portland are needed, but what has been proposed does more damage than good. Vote no because Portland deserves a much more thoughtful path to securing a better future.

We should expect no less.

Ethan Seltzer

((This information furnished by Ethan Seltzer))
ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

FORMER CONGRESSMAN LES AUCOIN
SAYS “VOTE NO ON MEASURE 26-228”

REDUCES DEMOCRACY
The measure uses a bizarre form of Ranked Choice Voting called Single Transferable Vote to elect city councilors. Candidates would be allowed to have accounted to them a maximum of 25% + 1 of the votes cast. Any remaining votes cast for them would be considered “surplus” and would be allocated to other candidates. Your vote should count for the person you most want to win. It shouldn’t be transferred to your 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th choice.

INCUMBENTS WILL BE ENTRENCHED
Once elected, city councilors will need only 25% +1 of the vote to remain in office. It will be increasingly difficult to replace an incumbent.

INCREASES POWER OF SELF-INTEREST GROUPS
Currently, candidates need to win the support of at least 50% +1 of those voting, which controls extreme positions. The ballot measure would increase the role of narrow interests in government.

FEWER CITY SERVICES AND MORE GOVERNMENT
The measure would cost over its first three years an additional $43.8 million to be spent on elected officials, their staffs, offices and other City Hall expenses. This is taxpayer money that should be spent on direct services to create safer, cleaner and more livable neighborhoods for its citizens.

IT IS AN UNTESTED EXPERIMENT
The combination of multi-member districts and single transferable vote ranked choice voting has never been tried in any community in the United States. It will move us from a form of government no major city uses any more to one that no US city has ever used.

DOESN’T SOLVE OUR CITY’S PROBLEMS
Our city faces deadly serious problems: escalating gun violence, record-breaking homicide rates, homelessness, vandalism, graffiti, and trash. We need to reform our city government to focus on solving those crises. This measure will result in city government focusing on solving the confusion caused by its complexity.

Les AuCoin
(This information furnished by Les AuCoin)

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

KATHLEEN SAADAT SAYS
VOTE NO ON MEASURE 26-228

I REALLY DO want a PORTLAND CITY MANAGER (I have been saying it for years). I believe this should be a stand-alone measure with greater clarification of roles and responsibilities of 1) the Mayor; 2) Council Members; 3) the City Manager; 4) City Bureau Administrators; Other Officials Elected to City Office. We need clarity.

The method for HOW we vote should NOT be included in this measure.
I DO NOT AGREE with including RANK ORDERED VOTING in this measure. I agree conceptually with the idea of RANK ORDERED VOTING but have reservations about the methods described in this ballot measure. I am concerned that the PROPOSED election process may make it more difficult to replace and or REMOVE an ineffective/unethical Commissioner.

VOTERS should have a choice
Voters should be given OPTIONS on the number of districts and number of representatives we will have. We should be able to decide SEPARATELY, the number of districts, number of reps and how the Mayor is elected.

NOT ON THIS BALLOT BUT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED FOR FUTURE MEASURES:
1) A clearly written Preamble to Portland’s City Charter that references OUR COMMUNITY VALUES that WILL BE USED to guide the work of City Government.
2) The Mayor, Commissioners and ALL other elected City officials be required to attend “on-boarding” sessions that acquaint them with a) the City Charter; b) laws that govern their behaviors both political/personal; c) The Culture of City Government, past and present; d) ETHICS; e) The history of BIGOTRY in Portland/Oregon, including both legal and illegal treatment of ALL people of Color (including the Roma), all women, LBGTQ+ people and poor people, of all colors.

VOTE NO TO GET TO A BETTER YES
(This information furnished by Kathleen Saadat)

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

We served on the Portland Charter Review Commission, volunteering hundreds of hours because we know our city’s government needs reform. This rewrite of the Charter will only make matters worse. We voted “NO” and you should vote “NO,” too.

Our city is in trouble. City Hall must change, with more effective management, better coordination of city services, and more responsive elected officials. We can do this with common sense Charter reforms and proven solutions.

Now is not the time to try a risky experiment, with an enlarged council elected using an untested election system.

- This measure will rewrite the Charter to replace a form of government that we know doesn’t work, with one that has never worked.
- This measure will create a city council elected with just 25% of the vote in district multi-winner races where surplus votes are transferred among candidates. No U.S. city elects a council like this. See for yourself: www.fairvote.org/where-is-ranked-choice-voting-used
- This measure ignores time-tested solutions for districted councils and representative government that are already used in Multnomah County, Beaverton, Eugene, Denver and scores of other cities.
- This measure will triple the size of city council.

Portland deserves better.
- Portland deserves a city government focused on solving our existing problems, not on testing new theories that will cause new problems.
- Portland deserves a thoughtful, better process that doesn’t rely on one advocacy group for outreach.
- Portland deserves Charter reform that can last for generations and doesn’t make our children and grandchildren live with an experiment in government.
- Portland deserves an election system that doesn’t give a big advantage to incumbent council members.

Under this measure, council members need just 25% of the votes to be re-elected, and they get three chances to win with the advantages of incumbency and name recognition.

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ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

"Portlanders should not be forced into a false choice of sticking with the status quo or going with something that’s never been attempted on planet earth. Charter Reform Doesn’t Need to be Rocket Science."

Commissioner Mingus Mapps, The Oregonian, 8/30/2022

Portland voters are deeply unhappy with the condition of the city and want change. They want accountability from their leaders, a form of government that is responsive to the needs and views of its people and a city that gets things done. The Charter Commission’s proposal leaves many voters uncertain about where power will reside, how accountability will be achieved, and how the city will meet its responsibilities.

The Ulysses PAC is proposing common sense charter reform that can deliver an updated, simpler, and more time-tested form of government. And we won’t have to wait 10 years or even 10 months to get it.

These alternative frameworks can be viewed at ulyssespac.com

Key differences from the measure on this ballot include:
• 7-9 districts, one council member per district
• Traditional voting methods designed to secure broad support from voters
• Separate measure with an option for ranked choice voting
• Checks and balances on council law making powers with mayoral veto
• Potential district maps shown before the election

We cannot support risking Portland’s future with an untested form of government.

Commissioner Mapps has publicly committed to a City Council effort to seek further input from Portlanders and develop alternate proposals to submit to the voters no later than early Spring 2023.

Ulysses PAC supports amending Portland’s Charter with common sense reforms that promote equity, consensus, and transparency in city government.

Please join Ulysses PAC in voting No on Measure 26-228 and demanding from the City Council a more sensible alternative that will enable our city to meet the challenges that face us now and in the future.

Michael Gibbons
Sonia Montalto
John Liu

(This information furnished by Jessica Elkan, Ulysses PAC)

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

Vote No on Measure 26-228.

Common Sense Charter Reform Can Happen in 2023!

We don’t have to wait 10 years or 10 months to get reform right.

Please vote No on Measure 26-228. Commissioner Mapps and members of City Council have committed to develop a sensible and workable charter proposal to better address the challenges we face in the years ahead.

Measure 26-228 will:
• Fracture the connection between City Council members and the Portlanders they represent;
• Shield Council members from accountability; and,
• Undermine our confidence in future elections.

We hold open elections on a non-partisan basis, attracting numerous candidates from all walks of life. We provide public financing options to support participation. And thanks to you we now have the most diverse City Council in our city’s history, elected with broad popular support.

It makes no sense to try to overhaul our system of representation and voting with changes that are complicated, contrived and contrary to the best practices in other cities.

Those We Elect Need Broad Support!

It doesn’t make sense to change our voting systems to award seats on the Council to candidates who gain only 25%-1 of the vote. Nor does it make sense to transfer votes from one candidate to others, as this measure would do.

Don’t Give Up on Accountability!

Forcing multiple Council members to represent the same district will magnify divisions, muddle responsibilities and exacerbate dysfunction. We can benefit from district elections. But we’ll need clear lines of accountability to those we elect within districts.

Don’t Risk Losing Voter Confidence in Our Elections!

Imposing untested voting systems like “single transferable vote” will raise suspicions about elections that have been above reproach for transparency and integrity.

You Deserve More Than a Forced Choice on These Many Changes!

It’s a disservice to be forced to cast a single vote on these complicated changes. We will do better with better alternatives.

Frank Dixon
Jessica Elkan
Stan Penkin

(This information furnished by Jessica Elkan, Ulysses PAC)

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

Portland has big complicated problems and City Hall is not delivering solutions. This proposal from the Charter Commission will only make things worse. Reject this proposal and tell the City Council to put a common-sense solution on the ballot in May 2023.

This is not the time to experiment with new forms of government and elections.

This ballot measure proposes a government structure and election process that has never worked anywhere in the United States. It is a mistake to trade a failed Commission form of government for one that has never been successful. Why would we do this when there are time-tested solutions. Multnomah County, Metro, Seattle and Denver all have councilors elected by district and a strong executive.

This proposal will lead to a City Council of entrenched incumbents

The proposed Council structure and election method gives preferential treatment to incumbent council members and will eventually block new voices from joining the Council. Why? Because an incumbent will have not just one chance to stay in office but three chances. Each district has three positions. An incumbent can be re-elected with just 25% of the votes. Incumbency and name recognition dramatically increase the
Measure 26-228

chance for an incumbent to retain office. Three chances to retain office is too many.

The Election Method for City Council is Flawed

Did you know that your vote might be counted as “surplus.”? Here is the text from the proposed charter: “Votes that counted for elected candidates in excess of the threshold are called surplus…..the surplus percentage of all votes for the candidates who received a surplus are transferred to the next-highest ranked candidates” The Charter text that defines this scheme is lengthy and complicated. Read the proposed amendment for yourself at Chapter 3, Article 1, Section 3-102 Portland should not be a test case for an experimental election system that has no precedent.

David Knowles
Portland Charter Commission member
Former City of Portland Planning Director
Former Metro Councilor

(ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION)

Multimember council districts are a failed idea. Baltimore, the last major city to have them, repealed them two decades ago for very good reasons. Portland should learn Baltimore’s lessons, reject this ballot measure, and insist on single-member district representation.

In 2001, I served on a Commission in Baltimore to study the restructuring of its city council. Baltimore’s council had turned into a moribund, dysfunctional, unaccountable, unproductive, and unresponsive body, and there was widespread public agreement that things had to change. Ultimately, grassroots organizations (labor unions, League of Women Voters, progressive groups, neighborhood groups) put forward an initiative to replace Baltimore’s multimember districts with much smaller single-member districts. It passed with 67% of the vote, despite opposition from most then-existing councilmembers. Baltimore never looked back. Two decades later, Baltimore’s single-member council districts have led to more competitive elections, more active leadership, better neighborhood representation, more independent voices, better accountability, and less inherent incumbent advantage.

What were the lessons learned in Baltimore?

- Mainly, putting multiple councilmembers into the same districts negates the clear accountability and constituent service advantages of districts in the first place. In any other major city, you can “call your councilperson” and you know who to hold responsible for inaction. In Baltimore’s multimember districts, councilmembers could simply deflect or hide from responsibility.
- Incumbents had a huge election advantage in Baltimore’s multimember districts, and the proposed system in Portland will be worse. Without an ability for voters to single out poor performing incumbents with an up-or-down vote, it will be nearly impossible to hold individual councilmembers accountable.
- Finally, multimember districts require districts that are simply far too large. Smaller, single-member districts offer neighborhood scale representation by local councilmembers with a far better understanding of neighborhood problems.

Multimember districts in Portland won’t fix anything but they will make accountability worse. Demand better. Vote no.

(ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION)

Vote NO to stave off an untested, experimental, expensive, hard-to-understand proposed charter change!

Despite the sincere efforts of Portland’s Charter Commission, the proposed charter fails to improve governance in Portland and will make it worse. Increasing the number of city councilors to 12 will make our “weak mayor” system even weaker, when well-functioning cities everywhere have strong mayors. Combined with a complex experimental voting system, the proposed charter will add to the cost (up to $8+ million) and confusion we already experience.

Portland needs and deserves a truly modern, workable city government that functions effectively for all our citizens. Before the draft charter fails this test, we longtime devoted Portland residents recommend a NO vote.

An improved, practical charter proposal is being drafted now for a vote next year. We believe the wait is worth it. Let's all make Portland a city that truly works once more.

Signed by:
Richard Feeney
Fred Neal
John Russell
Tuck Wilson

(ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION)

The Portland Party Says

VOTE NO ON #26-228

No clear representation with multi-member districts. We want single member districts.

Portland is struggling to solve homelessness, public safety and mental health problems. Voters thought we were simply updating our form of government, not experimenting with untested combinations of ideas. The city of Portland is at a critical moment and citizens should not be treated like guinea pigs just because we’re tired of the current chaos.

Portlanders want equitable representation

Portland voters overwhelmingly requested that the Charter Review Commission give us district representation versus council members elected ‘at large’, meaning all City Council members could live in a single neighborhood but are elected by Portland voters citywide.

We agree that in the name of equity, the city should be split into smaller, single-member districts and have elected representatives who live in those districts so they understand the needs of their constituents.

Proposed district sizes are too large

To us, splitting the city into four large districts, each around the size of Salem, does not represent an equitable solution. They’re proposing three representatives for each large district to make up for that, but again, all three representatives could be from one corner of the district and still not represent the needs of those farther away.

Studies recommend at least five to nine districts with single reps

The people wanted single-member districts for better geographic representation. Portland Public Schools is split into seven sub-districts for board elections. We could very easily start with seven council members and vote later to add more as needed.

VOTE ‘NO’ THIS NOVEMBER SO WE CAN VOTE FOR A BETTER ‘YES’ IN MAY!
ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

Please Vote No on Measure 26-228.

In 2023 there will be a more effective Charter option. Commissioner Mapps and other members of City Council have committed to drafting a charter measure by next April that will better serve Portland. It will go to voters for approval in 2023.

Priorities will be:
• Neighborhood district representation.
• Clear accountability to voters.
• Straightforward voting procedures.

The goal is to provide a menu of separate, understandable choices for voters, accompanied by details.

Argue 26-228 risks the opposite results:
• Fracturing the connection between City Council members and the Portlanders they represent, with four large geographic districts.
• Shielding Council members from accountability, with three-member districts that can magnify divisions, muddle responsibility, and foster dysfunction.
• Undermining confidence in elections, with a “single transferable vote” where a candidate who has just 25% of the vote plus 1 can be awarded a seat on the Council.

The measure on the ballot this year is an “all or nothing” package that mashes together a widely-accepted Mayor-Council structure with unique elements of voting and representation. Details about things like costs and procedures are lacking.

Why overhaul a system of voting and representation with changes that are complicated, experimental, and contrary to best practices in other cities?

Portland is already in the forefront of election equity. We provide public financing options to support participation. And thanks to the voters of Portland, we have the most diverse City Council in our city’s history, elected with broad popular support.

It’s worth waiting just a few more months for a better solution.

Bonnie Serkin

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

Taxpayers Association of Oregon urges No vote on 26-228 ranked choice measure

Politicians hid a bad idea in a reform package in hopes you wouldn’t notice

Ranked choice voting is a bad idea

Five reasons why
• Rank choice voting decreases voter turn-out: According to research from Jason McDaniel, an associate professor of political science at San Francisco State University, voter turnout decreased (three to five percentage points on average) in cities where ranked choice voting was used.
• Rank choice voting blindsides voters: In Maine, confusion was so overwhelming that proponents had to release a 19-page instruction manual on how to navigate the process.
• Rank choice voting disenfranchises voters: Voters whose first language is not English are more likely to be disenfranchised by this complicated process.

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Referred to the People of the Metro Region by the Metro Council.

BALLOT TITLE

Renews local option levy; protects natural areas, water quality, fish

Question: Should Metro protect water quality, fish, natural areas, parks; renew 5-year operating levy, 9.6¢ per $1,000 assessed value, beginning 2023? This measure renews current local option taxes.

Summary: This levy does not increase tax rates. It continues the same rate previously approved by voters.

The levy protects water quality, restores fish and wildlife habitat, and connects people with nature across 18,000 acres of parks, trails and natural areas. The levy funds ongoing restoration of natural areas acquired through three voter-approved bond measures. It also improves people’s access to nature, by maintaining Metro parks and natural areas, providing nature education for visitors and schoolchildren, and supporting community-led nature projects and programs.

If renewed, the levy will continue to:
- Maintain and improve water quality in local rivers and streams
- Protect and restore habitat for salmon, other native fish
- Restore wetlands, forests and floodplains providing habitat for birds, wildlife
- Manage natural areas to better withstand heat, wildfire, extreme weather
- Maintain parks and trails; maintain and improve restrooms, picnic shelters, play areas, trailheads, and other visitor facilities and services
- Increase opportunities for children from low-income families and communities of color to connect with nature

A home assessed at $250,000 would pay $24 per year for five years.

If renewed, the proposed rate (9.6¢ per $1,000 assessed value) will raise $18,065,947.00 in 2023-24, $18,833,750.00 in 2024-25, $19,634,184.00 in 2025-26, $20,468,637.00 in 2026-27 and $21,338,555.00 in 2027-28.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Measure 26-225, renewal of the Metro Parks and Nature Local Option Levy, will protect clean water, restore fish and wildlife habitat, and increase opportunities for people to connect with nature across 18,000 acres of regional parks, trails and natural areas.

Voters first approved the Parks and Nature levy in 2013, and renewed it in 2016. Since 2013, the levy has provided dedicated funding to restore and maintain habitat and connect people with nature, making our region more livable as our population grows.

If passed, this measure would renew the levy for five additional years at its current rate: 9.6 cents per $1,000 of assessed value, or $24 annually for a home assessed at $250,000. Renewal will not increase the tax rate currently paid by homeowners in Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties.

What would passing Measure 26-225 do?

Improve water quality, restore fish and wildlife habitat

About half of levy funding will support ongoing restoration of parks and natural areas managed by Metro across the greater Portland region – more than 18,000 acres from Chehalem Ridge near Forest Grove to the Sandy River near Gresham, from Chinook Landing and Broughton Beach on the Columbia River to Graham Oaks near Wilsonville.

If passed, this measure will provide funding to:
- Improve water quality in the Willamette, Clackamas, Tualatin and Sandy rivers, and area creeks and streams
- Restore habitat for salmon and other native fish in local rivers and streams
- Restore threatened and rare plant communities, control invasive weeds
- Enhance wetlands, forests and floodplains to protect critical wildlife habitat
- Manage natural areas to better withstand hotter summers, extreme weather and wildfires

Provide access to nature for people

About half of levy funding will connect people with nature across greater Portland. Levy funding will maintain safe and welcoming visitor facilities and services at 17 developed parks, such as Blue Lake and Oxbow, Smith and Bybee Wetlands, Chehalem Ridge, Cooper Mountain, Mount Talbert, Scouters Mountain and Canemah Bluff. About 2.5 million people visit these parks annually for walking, hiking, picnicking, birdwatching, camping, boating, fishing, and family and community gatherings.

Additionally, levy funding will support nature education programming and volunteering opportunities, as well as grants to nonprofit organizations for projects that connect community members with nature.

If passed, this measure will provide funding to:
- Increase access to local rivers, forests and natural areas
- Improve visitor services, accessibility and operations at Metro parks, including maintaining and improving restrooms, picnic areas, trails, play areas, and other visitor facilities
- Ensure park visitors of all backgrounds have opportunities to access the benefits of nature, including improved health and well-being
- Provide nature education programs, including for children from low-income families and communities of color
- Create opportunities for community-led nature education and stewardship projects

Accountability

Program expenses will be subject to annual audits and presented in the budget adopted by the Metro Council. An annual report detailing program expenses, accomplishments and progress toward specific outcomes will be presented to the community and posted on Metro’s website.

Submitted by:
Ashley McCarron, Senior Assistant Attorney
Metro
Measure 26-225

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

CONTINUING OUR COMMITMENT TO CLEANER WATER, RESTORE FISH AND WILDLIFE HABITAT, AND CONNECTING PEOPLE TO NATURE

Nature makes our region more livable. As the Portland area’s population grows, it’s more important than ever to protect and restore parks, rivers, wetlands, forests and other natural areas for the benefit of people, fish and wildlife.

This November, voters in Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington counties will have the opportunity to vote YES to protect clean water, restore fish and wildlife habitat, and connect people with nature.

Without raising the tax rate, your YES vote on the Parks & Nature Levy Renewal will:

• RESTORE HABITAT AND MANAGE NATURAL AREAS to preserve our region’s water quality, wildlife habitat, and legacy of natural beauty for future generations.

• INCREASE ACCESS TO NATURE by ensuring parks and natural areas are close to home and accessible to everyone, and continuing Nature in Neighborhoods grants for community-led investments and education.

• MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE EXISTING REGIONAL PARKS with operations and maintenance to keep parks and nature destinations safe, welcoming and accessible to all members of our community.

Thanks to voter support, Metro has built an 18,000 acre network of parks, trails and natural areas across Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties. Measure 26-225 continues to build on that legacy, targeting smart investments that take care of the outdoor places where everyone can gather, exercise, and play.

By renewing the levy first approved by voters in 2013, funding for our natural areas will extend through 2028, while maintaining the current tax rate of 9.6 cents per $1,000 of assessed value, or about $24 per year for a home assessed at $250,000.

Let’s keep preserving and protecting the region’s natural areas, now and in the future.

Metro President Lynn Peterson
Metro Councilor Shirley Craddick
Metro Councilor Christine Lewis
Metro Councilor Gerrit Rosenthal
Metro Councilor Juan Carlos González
Metro Councilor Mary Nolan
Metro Councilor Duncan Hwang
Metro Councilor-Elect Ashton Simpson

(This information furnished by Amy Ruiz, Yes For Parks & Nature)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Water Quality and Wildlife Advocates Agree:

Vote YES on Measure 26-225 for Clean, Safe, and Healthy Water and Wildlife Habitat

Our region is defined by an amazing network of rivers, streams and natural areas. We are home to an incredible array of fish and wildlife species from iconic salmon to more than 200 migratory bird species. Measure 26-225 restores and maintains healthy waterways and natural areas for people and wildlife—without raising tax rates.

Protection and restoration of our waterways and wildlife habitats is vital to ensuring clean water, clean air, protecting fish and wildlife populations and creating equitable, climate resilient landscapes.

At least 40% of the Parks and Nature levy funds are dedicated to habitat restoration and natural areas management, including improving water quality at Metro’s parks and natural areas.

Funds from the renewed levy will protect water quality, reconnect vital floodplains, increase native plants, and control invasive species—ensuring that our streams, lakes and rivers and naturals continue to be healthy and safe for current and future generations of Oregonians.

There are a few of the active projects working to protect clean water and restore fish and wildlife habitat across the region at places like Chehalem Ridge Nature Park and Clear Creek and Smith and Bybee Wetlands natural areas. The natural areas levy has been essential to improving water quality and habitat at:

• Wilsonville’s Coffee Lake Creek
• North Portland’s Smith and Bybee Wetlands
• Clackamas County’s Beaver Creek
• Beaverton’s Fanno Creek
• Oregon City’s Newell Creek
• Hillsboro’s Tualatin River
• Cornelius’ Council Creek

Your YES vote on Measure 26-225 will ensure Metro has the necessary funds to continue improving water quality and natural habitat through 2028, all without raising taxes.

Join us in supporting Measure 26-225!

Audubon Society of Portland
Columbia Land Trust
Friends of Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge
Human Access Project
Oregon League of Conservation Voters
Oswego Lake Watershed Council
Portland Harbor Community Coalition
Tualatin Riverkeepers
Urban Greenspaces Institute
Willamette Riverkeeper

(This information furnished by Amy Ruiz, Yes for Parks & Nature)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

YES ON MEASURE 26-225: PROTECT AND ENHANCE OUR REGION’S TREASURED OUTDOOR RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES

Our local natural areas have something for everyone: wildlife, scenery, and easy access to nature and recreation. They provide a beautiful and affordable place for recreation close to home.

Metro facilities annually provide recreation opportunities for 2.5 million visitors. As our region grows, it’s crucial we keep our parks and natural areas open to every community by voting YES on Measure 26-225.

Over the past five years, the Parks & Nature Levy funded projects that connect people to nature, including:

• New day use areas and trails access at the new Newell Creek Canyon Nature Park in Oregon City, including trailheads, signs, parking areas, restrooms and more.
• New hiking trails and visitor facilities at Killin Wetlands Natural Area in Washington County.
• At Oxbow Regional Park, a new Welcome Center, new nature play areas, upgraded campground facilities, and an improved boat launch.
• Improved access roads and trails at Blue Lake Regional Park.
• A renovated boat launch at Chinook Landing on the Columbia River, leveraging state funding sources.
• Improved trails for public access and new signage at Smith and Bybee Wetlands to help visitors learn about nature.
• Inclusive community engagement at East Council Creek in Cornelius and Gabbert Butte in Gresham.
• Safety improvements across the Metro park system.

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Local Leaders Support Measure 26-225!
Renewing the Parks and Nature Levy Benefits Multnomah County

Renewing the Parks and Nature levy continues funding to protect and restore parks, rivers, wetlands, forests and other natural areas for the benefit of people, fish and wildlife — right here in Multnomah County.

In Multnomah County, the Parks and Nature Levy has supported many local projects, including:

- Improvements at Blue Lake Regional Park in Fairview, including improved trails and access roads, and master planning to guide future upgrades of key infrastructure.
- A new welcome center, two nature play areas and improved campsites at Oxbow Regional Park, near Troutdale on the Sandy River.
- Improved trails and signage for public access and education at Smith and Bybee Wetlands in North Portland.
- Keeping beloved nature sites safe and welcoming for visitors, including Glendoveer in East Portland, Broughton Beach and Chinook Landing on the Columbia River, Howell Territorial Park on Sauvie Island, and Lone Fir Cemetery.
- Working with the City of Gresham to engage communities in developing a master plan for Gabbert Butte.
- Restoring fish habitat along Multnomah Channel Marsh near Sauvie Island.
- Supporting Wisdom of the Elders’ partnership with Portland Public Schools to provide traditional ecological knowledge education and meet the restoration needs of public lands.

This measure won’t raise the tax rate. In Multnomah County, the typical homeowner currently pays about $24 per year. That’s a small price to pay to protect some of our most beautiful natural areas.

Please join local leaders in voting **YES on Measure 26-225**, to ensure future generations will enjoy the same quality of life we do.

State Senators Michael Dembrow, Akasha Lawrence Spence and Elizabeth Steiner Hayward
State Representatives Maxine Dexter and Lisa Reynolds
Metro Council President Lynn Peterson and Councilors Shirley Craddick, Duncan Hwang, Mary Nolan, and Councilor-Elect Ashton Simpson
Multnomah County Chair Deborah Kafoury and Commissioners Susheela Jayapal, Jessica Vega Pederson, and Lori Stegmann
Portland Commissioner Carmen Rubio
Fairview Mayor Brian Cooper
Multnomah County Democrats

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

CONNECTING PEOPLE TO NATURE:
The Parks & Nature Levy Invests in Diverse Communities

Measure 26-225 will increase opportunities for people to experience nature in parts of our region that currently have few public parks or natural areas. It will provide funding for parks, rivers, streams, and natural areas in every part of the Metro area, to benefit all local residents.

At least 15 percent of levy funding will continue to support community-led partnerships, education and stewardship programs, offering hands-on experiences that allow people to strengthen their relationship to the natural world while fostering the next generation of leaders.

These programs directly support people of color and other marginalized communities. People connect with nature in different ways and experience different barriers and opportunities to that connection.

Measure 26-225 will ensure that everyone has access to these vital resources, with grants to local community groups, such as:

- The Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon’s partnership with Friends of Trees and Portland State University to engage East Portlanders in pursuing strategies for neighborhood greening amid hotter summers

- A partnership between Portland Audubon, Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District, Backyard Habitat and Centro Cultural at Centro Cultural’s Cornelius campus to connect Latinx members of the community with nature.

- Partnerships to provide lower-income students and students of color with nature field trips, classroom education and opportunities to participate in habitat restoration, including Ecology in Classrooms and Outdoors’ work with partners in Lents and North Clackamas schools, and Verde’s youth nature programs in Portland’s Cully neighborhood

Metro is committed to working together with people, businesses, nonprofit organizations and public partners to create a Portland region where all individuals and communities benefit from a healthy environment with clean air and water.

Equity partners from around the region agree: Vote YES on 26-225

Adelante Mujeres
APANO
The Blueprint Foundation
Coalition of Communities of Color
East County Rising
OPAL Environmental Justice Oregon
Latino Network
Verde

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Measure 26-225: For Healthier, Resilient Communities

*Portland Audubon strongly supports the Metro natural areas levy renewal. It is a crucial funding mechanism to protect and

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Measure 26-225 will provide ongoing support for Metro’s funding of initiatives for cleaner water, restored fish and wildlife habitat, and amenities to encourage recreation and healthy activities—without raising existing taxes.

A YES vote on Measure 26-225 will fund management of Metro sites to maintain ecological health and increase their resilience to extreme weather and other impacts of climate change.

A YES vote on Measure 26-225 will provide ongoing support for Metro’s funding of initiatives for cleaner water, restored fish and wildlife habitat, and amenities to encourage recreation and healthy activities—without raising existing taxes.

A YES vote on Measure 26-225 will provide ongoing support for Metro’s funding of initiatives for cleaner water, restored fish and wildlife habitat, and amenities to encourage recreation and healthy activities—without raising existing taxes.

A YES vote on Measure 26-225 ensures everyone in our region has access to the health benefits of nature and recreation, and builds our region’s climate resilience for future generations.

Please join us in voting yes.

1000 Friends of Oregon
Audubon Society of Portland
Columbia Land Trust
Friends of Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge
Humane Society of the United States
The Intertwine Alliance
Kaiser Permanente
Milwaukie Parks Foundation
The Nature Conservancy
Neighbors for Clean Air
OPAL Environmental Justice Oregon
Oregon Environmental Council
Oregon League of Conservation Voters
Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District
Varde
Shaili Rajput, MD

(This information furnished by Amy Ruiz, Yes for Parks & Nature)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

MEASURE 26-225:
A COST-EFFECTIVE INVESTMENT FOR OUR REGION’S QUALITY OF LIFE AND ECONOMIC FUTURE

Our region is able to attract visitors, and recruit and retain high quality businesses and workers, thanks to our unparalleled quality of life. The natural beauty, scenery, and easy access to nature are frequently cited as reasons to locate in our region—growing the economy for all of us.

A YES Vote on Measure 26-225 provides funding for parks and open spaces that make our region a more vibrant place to live, keeping our region economically competitive.

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE

This measure will help take action to plant more trees, protect cool rivers and streams for fish, restore critical wildlife habitat, and keep our communities livable. These investments save the region’s taxpayers money by lowering the costs of stormwater management, flood mitigation, and climate change adaptation.

A YES Vote on Measure 26-225 continues these smart green infrastructure investments, saving us all money in the long run and avoiding costly problems in the future.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The levy renewal provides more opportunities to enter and build careers at all levels in the parks and natural area industry. These employment opportunities increase the prosperity of historically marginalized workers and communities, and increase representation within the workforce.

A YES Vote on Measure 26-225 will support projects in every part of the Metro area—in Clackamas, Washington, and Multnomah Counties—that will benefit all local residents.

A YES Vote on Measure 26-225 is supported by business and labor leaders, including:

AFSCME Local 3580 and Oregon AFSCME
Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce
Clackamas County Business Alliance
LIUNA Oregon & Southern Idaho District Council of Laborers
Portland Business Alliance
Westside Economic Alliance

(This information furnished by Amy Ruiz, Yes for Parks & Nature)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Metro’s Parks and Nature Program: Accountable to Taxpayers and Voters

The Natural Areas and Capital Program Performance Oversight Committee keeps Metro accountable and transparent in its use of capital funds from the 2018 parks and natural areas levy, which raises about $16 million a year, and the $475 million 2019 nature bond.

The independent committee provides transparent oversight to ensure taxpayer funds are used responsibly, and reports to the Metro Council annually.

“Parks and natural areas are integral to the well-being of everyone in our region. Our committee is made up of a diverse set of individuals with experience in areas of land conservation, community engagement, working lands, finance, accessibility, [and] equity.”

—Committee Co-Chair Burt Edwards, May 24, 2022 testimony to the Metro Council

The committee’s most recent findings, from an April 2022 report, include:

• “staff has conducted the primary components of the bond work reviewed by the committee—bond finance, land acquisition and community engagement—in a transparent and accountable way.”

• “Metro’s administrative expenditures to be acceptable in light of the very high bar for engagement set by the 2019 bond measure.”

In the year ahead, the committee plans to monitor spending, and continue to review strategies for increased participation for minority, women-owned, and emerging small businesses; making parks and natural spaces accessible to all; and the impact of community engagement on investments.

Measure 26-225 will continue independent review and oversight of levy spending.

Metro’s Parks and Nature Program 2020-21 Annual Report also detailed levy spending through June 2021 compared to what was promised to voters in 2018. The report found that all five categories of spending in the 2018 levy were in alignment with what voters approved:

• Improving public access to natural areas: 10% of levy spending
• Regional park operations: 29% of levy spending
• Nature in Neighborhoods grants: 12% of levy spending

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ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

VOTE NO ON 26-225—NO NEW METRO TAXES

Metro is asking for a new tax levy even though it already has sufficient funds to operate all its parks.

Metro’s budgets show over the past 10 years:

- Property tax collections have increased 169% from $39 million to more than $105 million a year.
- Spending on its parks and nature program has grown by nearly 175% from $48 million to $117 million a year.

Unfortunately, much of this money is not even being used to improve public access to Metro’s parks. In fact, most of Metro’s 18,000 acres of parklands are not open to use by taxpayers.

NO NEW METRO TAXES

In 2016, Metro imposed $81 million in property taxes for parks and nature.

In 2019, Metro imposed another $475 million in property taxes for parks and nature.

In 2020, Metro imposed two new income taxes amounting to $250 million a year for “supportive housing services.”

Again, in 2020, Metro tried to impose another $250 million in payroll taxes to build light rail to Bridgeport Village. By then, voters had enough and voted NO.

It’s time to VOTE NO again.

Many Metro parks properties are gated and locked; most have inadequate signage so no one can find them. Many are far outside the urban growth boundary. Some are miles away from public transit.

Even if you are lucky enough to find a Metro park, don’t even think about bringing your dog. Metro prohibits dogs and other pets on virtually all its parklands. But, if you’re rich enough to own a horse or mountain bike, Metro’s newest park has 10 miles of trails for horseback riding and mountain biking.

Metro’s parks program is awash in tax money. There is no justification for this property tax levy, regardless of its stated purpose.

TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION OF OREGON URGES A NO VOTE ON 26-225

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(This information furnished by Eric Fruits, Cascade Policy Institute)
**Measure 26-224**

**BALLOT TITLE**

Bonds to construct job training space, improve classrooms, safety, technology

**Question:** Shall Portland Community College renovate and modernize facilities, estimated to maintain current tax rate by issuing $450 million in 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 sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**Summary:** Measure authorizes up to $450 million in principal amount of general obligation bonds for facilities and equipment. Measure not expected to increase tax rates above previous targets, because outstanding debt is scheduled to decline.

If approved, this measure would finance capital costs, including:

- Updated classrooms, technology, facilities, equipment to provide students with modern higher education and job training spaces, including flexible hybrid learning options.
- Improved accessibility for people with disabilities.
- Increased facility lifespan and efficiency through ventilation system upgrades, plumbing, electrical.
- Improved campus safety, lighting, transit stops.
- Expanded career technical education facilities in Washington County.
- Rebuilt/modernized Rock Creek, Sylvania facilities/classrooms.
- Site improvements, demolition, furnishing, equipping, acquiring land, bond issuance costs.

Regular audits to ensure funds are used as intended. Bonds may be issued in one or more series, with each series maturing in 16 years or less. Bond cost estimated to maintain fiscal year 2022 rate of 38 cents per $1,000 of assessed value. Actual rates may differ and depend on interest rates incurred and assessed value growth.

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Portland Community College (PCC) is the largest post-secondary institution in Oregon. Nearly 50,000 full and part-time students in Multnomah, Washington, Yamhill, Clackamas and Columbia counties attend Portland Community College to obtain career training and further their education.

This proposed bond measure would fund projects that make higher education more accessible and provide lifelong learning opportunities for all members of our community.

These investments would serve hundreds of thousands of Oregonians over the life of this bond, funding improvements to job training and learning spaces, modernizing technology, enhancing campus health, safety, and accessibility, updating classrooms to support hybrid learning—with some students learning in the classroom, while others participate remotely.

It would save taxpayer dollars by making campuses more energy efficient and sustainable.

If approved, bond proceeds are expected to include the following capital investments:

- Updated classrooms, technology, facilities, and equipment to provide students with modern higher education and job training spaces, including flexible hybrid-learning options—providing students with the flexibility and options to balance their education with other responsibilities.
- Improved facilities and updated technology to provide up-to-date job training spaces that can be adapted as businesses’ needs evolve, so students graduate with the skills they need to compete in today’s economy.
- Improved accessibility for people with disabilities.
- Increased facility lifespan and efficiency through heating and cooling upgrades and updated plumbing and electrical, to conserve operation expenses.
- Addressing health and safety precautions, including improved building ventilation and campus lighting, transit stops.
- Renovating aging facilities at Rock Creek and Sylvania. PCC would also expand technical career education in Washington County.
- Site improvements, demolition, furnishing, equipping, acquiring land, bond issuance costs.

The proposed bond projects would support students regardless of their zip code, background, or family circumstances, so that anyone who wants a college education would have access to one.

**What would the bond cost?**

Because of expiring bonds, the PCC bond measure is estimated to maintain current tax rates for local homeowners. If voters approve the bond it is expected to maintain the fiscal year 2022 rate of $0.38 per $1,000 of assessed value for 16 years. The taxpayer cost would be $95 per year or $7.92 per month for property with an assessed value of $250,000. Assessed value is generally lower than market value.

The total principal amount of bonds authorized would not exceed $450 million. Actual rates may differ and depend on interest rates incurred and assessed value growth.

**Accountability**

Funds from the bond would go directly to the projects that are expected to help achieve the goals outlined above. PCC would emphasize openness and transparency so that the public can track how funds from the bonds are spent, including a continuation of auditing to ensure funds are used as intended.

Submitted by:

*Eric Blumenthal, Vice President, Finance and Administration*  
*Portland Community College*
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Please join us in voting YES on Measure 26-224!

Over the years, taxpayers in our district have invested in the future of our community by supporting Portland Community College. And as PCC's elected board members, we have worked hard to return on those investments.

We aim to educate a skilled workforce, prepare students to successfully transfer to four-year schools, enrich the community through lifelong learning, build a greener workforce and shrink our carbon footprint, and be a sound financial steward of public dollars.

This bond renewal will enable PCC to continue to build on that foundation of success, and make sure that students in every community have equal opportunities to get the skills they need to succeed, regardless of their zip code, background, or family circumstances.

This bond will:

- Update classrooms, technology, facilities, and equipment to provide students with modern higher education and job training spaces, including flexible hybrid-learning options—providing students with the flexibility and options to balance their education with other responsibilities.
- Improve accessibility for people with disabilities.
- Increase facility lifespan and efficiency through heating and cooling upgrades and updated plumbing and electrical, to conserve operation expenses.
- Address health and safety precautions, including improved building ventilation and campus lighting, transit stops.
- Renovate aging facilities at Rock Creek and Sylvania, and expand technical career education in Washington County.

And because of expiring bonds, this PCC bond measure is estimated to maintain current tax rates for local homeowners.

We are proud of what our bond program has built, and committed to providing up to date information on the planning and implementation of these projects – that information can be found at https://www.pcc.edu/about/bond/.

Please join us in voting YES on Measure 26-224!

Tiffani Penson, Chair (Zone 2)
Laurie Cremona Wagner, Vice Chair (Zone 1)
Michael Sonnleitner, OCCA Board Representative (Zone 3)
Serin Bussell, PCC Foundation Board Representative (Zone 4)
Dan Saltzman (Zone 5)
Mohamed Alyajouri (Zone 6)
Kirsti Wilson, Secretary (Zone 7)

(This information furnished by Michael Cox, Yes for PCC)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Business Leaders Are Voting YES for PCC

As business leaders in the metro area, we support Portland Community College's bond renewal because PCC graduates are our employees, our managers, our directors – and for some of us – the heads of our companies and our industries.

PCC creates the skilled workers that our local businesses need to succeed, grow, and create more living-wage jobs so that people can afford to live here. This measure makes sure that PCC can continue to contribute to the vibrancy of Portland's economic community.

And this measure ensures that Portland Community College can continue to provide high-quality education, so students get the skills and job training they need to build successful careers in today's economy. There are a record number of job openings in Oregon, but a lack of skilled workers to fill them. For every seven unemployed people, there are 10 jobs available.

PCC graduates students with the skills and training to fill the positions we need. For example, PCC offers certificates and degrees in:

- Bioscience
- Building Construction
- Computer Science
- Education
- Engineering
- Health Information Management
- Manufacturing
- Medical Professions & Nursing

This measure is a smart investment for our future. As Oregon's largest post-secondary institution, with more than 50,000 students, investing in PCC will serve hundreds of thousands of Oregonians over the life of this bond.

Join business leaders across the region and vote YES on Measure 26-224!

Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce
Cascade Web Development
Neil Kelly Company
Tigard Chamber of Commerce
Portland Business Alliance
Westside Economic Alliance

(This information furnished by Michael Cox, Yes for PCC)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Community Leaders You Trust are Voting YES for PCC

Community-based organizations across the region support Measure 26-224, because PCC's bond renewal isn't just about building a community college – it's about building a community.

Portland Community College's students don't have all the advantages – in fact, more than 50% of students face food or housing insecurity or have experienced homelessness. This measure makes sure that students in every community have equal opportunities to get the skills they need to succeed, regardless of their zip code, background, or family circumstances.

- PCC supports underserved and underrepresented communities by providing a less expensive, more accessible path to a college degree.
- PCC teaches the skills necessary to secure better paying jobs – strengthening families and communities as a result.
- PCC creates the skilled workers that our local businesses need to succeed, grow, and create more living-wage jobs so that people can afford to live here.
- PCC is actively working to increase equity and inclusion by recruiting diverse faculty, administrators and staff.
- PCC is doing its part to combat climate change. The college is a nationally recognized leader in the higher education community for sustainability and climate action.
- PCC supports metro area youth by offering advanced courses for high schools, GED programs, and an affordable pathway to a four-year degree.
- PCC supports people who are unemployed and underemployed, by offering training courses for individuals re-entering the workforce or changing careers.

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Measure 26-224

- PCC supports students with jobs, children at home, or other commitments, by offering options to go to college online, in person, or both.
- PCC partners with community organizations across the region to provide opportunities and services we have all come to count on.

We support PCC because PCC supports the community.

Join us and vote YES for on M26-224

Columbia Pacific Building Trades
IBEW Local 48
Oregon League of Conservation Voters
Multnomah County Democratic Party
Washington County Democratic Party

(This information furnished by Michael Cox, Yes for PCC)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

ELECTED LEADERS URGE A YES VOTE ON 26-224

Now, more than ever, **access to affordable education is critical to the future of our community** and the people who want to make a home here for themselves and their family.

But economic opportunity is not reaching everyone equally. Less than half of people from Oregon's communities of color have an associate degree or higher. People from marginalized communities face barriers to getting their degree, like lack of childcare, the cost of tuition, unreliable transportation, and inadequate culturally-informed support on campus keep these students from reaching their full potential.

Measure 26-224, PCC's bond measure, would fund projects that make higher education more accessible and provide lifelong learning opportunities for all members of our community.

Your YES vote will:

- Make sure that students in every community have equal opportunities to get the skills they need to succeed, regardless of their zip code, background, or family circumstances. And as the state's largest college, these investments will serve hundreds of thousands of Oregonians over the life of this bond.
- Ensure that Portland Community College can continue to provide the high-quality education for students to get the skills and job training they need to build successful careers in today's economy.
- Maintain the current estimated tax rate of $.38 per $1,000 of assessed value, because previous bonds are expiring.

PCC's bond measure is a smart investment for today and tomorrow.

And because older bonds are expiring, your YES vote will not increase your current tax rate but will allow PCC to invest $450 million across our region. Taxpayer oversight includes annual audits.

We urge you to vote YES!

State Senator Michael Dembrow
State Senator Akasha Lawrence-Spence
State Representative Zach Hudson
State Representative Ricki Ruiz
State Representative Janelle Bynum
State Representative Rachel Prusak
State Representative Andrea Valderrama
State Representative Karin A. Power
State Representative Maxine Dexter
State Representative Khairi Pharm
State Representative Lisa Reynolds

(This information furnished by Michael Cox, Yes for PCC)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Please vote YES for PCC!

PCC trains and educates a wide variety of students throughout the region. Students representing every age group, income level and cultural background are seeking vocational training, technical degrees, or a jump start to a 4-year degree.

This measure ensures that PCC can continue to provide the high-quality education for students to get the skills and job training they need to build successful careers in today's economy.

That requires the most up-to-date technology and classrooms to prepare students for their future careers. When our students graduate, they go on to compete with students from across the nation – and in order to help them secure the jobs they've trained for, PCC needs up-to-date tools and facilities.

If passed, this bond will:

- Update technology and equipment to provide students with modern higher education and greater flexibility for hybrid learning.
- Improve accessibility for people with disabilities.
- Improve facilities and technology to provide students with up-to-date job training spaces that can be adapted as businesses' needs evolve.
- Enhance health and safety and the lifespan of facilities.

Today, students are turning more to local community colleges and online courses to access higher education. To meet that demand, PCC must continue providing its students with up-to-date training and tools. Please YES on this bond so we can continue to do that.

Please vote YES for PCC!

(This information furnished by Michael Cox, Yes for PCC)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

A college education is something I've always aspired to. It's been a dream of mine—something that I wanted my whole life, and something that I tried to get my whole life. But it wasn't always available to me.

I live with a progressive form of multiple sclerosis, and I use a wheelchair. Before the pandemic, I was working at a retail job, and as my MS progressed, I was having trouble getting accommodations. I found myself unemployed, and had difficulty finding new employment.

So I decided to go back to school, and see what I could do to help other people with disabilities—to help employers think about disability differently, including how to create inclusive environments where people can thrive.

I enrolled at PCC just before the pandemic, and by that summer, everything was remote. In fact, if it weren't for the pandemic, and the remote learning opportunities it provided, I wouldn't have been able to go to PCC. I was able to excel and really thrive in the PCC community thanks to remote and hybrid access.

I now work as an accessibility advocate with PCC, and work on projects that connect students with employers. I will graduate next year with two years of work experience in the field I want to work in. I'll have an associates degree in sociology, and I plan to pursue further education in the field of disability studies.

Thanks to PCC, I'm getting close to the life I've always dreamed of.

I'm supporting PCC's bond measure because it will help change the lives of students all over our region. The bond invests in the technology and space needed for hybrid learning so that every student has the access and flexibility...
they need to go to college. Voting YES will make an extraordinary difference in the lives of thousands of people and families throughout the five counties that PCC serves—people just like me.

Precious Golden, PCC student

(This information furnished by Michael Cox, Yes for PCC)

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

Although PCC provides valuable services, let’s take a closer look at this proposal: This is a BAD bond. This vague proposal mostly funds small non-capital items and routine maintenance better addressed through the annual budgeting process. It makes no sense to tax ourselves on the credit card for 16 years in order to purchase office computers (what they call unspecified “classroom technology”) that will last only three.

PCC has seen 23% declining enrollment and has no medium-term need for expanded facilities. Too often, education bonds turn into slush funds for crony contractors who turn our campuses into never-ending building projects. Backed by perpetual bond measures, many PCC facilities are overbuilt and under-used.

At a time of rising inflation and interest rates, this bond won’t go very far, yet it will raise the cost of living for homeowners and renters alike, while having a disproportionate impact on seniors living on fixed incomes. Although PCC says your taxes won’t go up because their previous blank check is expiring, read the fine print: “actual rates may differ and depend on interest rates.”

Managing the public debt and tax burden is one of the most important duties vested to the voters by the Constitution of Oregon. We should conserve our $450,000,000 debt capacity to address the critical infrastructure needs affecting our region: rebuilding our decaying and earthquake-vulnerable bridges and hardening our water resources in the face of environmental challenges.

We urge you to vote NO.

Multnomah Libertarians (PAC 22306)

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(This information furnished by Thomas J Busse, Multnomah Libertarians)

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION OF OREGON URGES NO VOTE ON 26-224

In 2017, Portland Community College imposed $185 million in new property taxes for construction projects. Look at the Voters’ Pamphlet from that measure—PCC had 78,000 students.

Five years later, and now PCC wants another $485 million of your money. Look at the Explanatory Statement for this measure—today PCC has only 50,000 students. PCC’s enrollment has gone down by 35%. PCC has lost 28,000 students over the past 5 years!

PCC says some of the money will be used for “flexible hybrid learning options.” That means more online instruction and less in-class instruction. OPB reports 90% of PCC classes this fall will be a hybrid format.

PCC doesn’t need fancy building remodels if enrollment is down and many of the class are taught online.

PCC spent more than $6 million from the 2017 taxes to remodel the welding shop at Building 2 of the Rock Creek Campus. The welding shop remodel was completed just last year.

Now, according to the Portland Tribune, PCC want to use your tax money to tear down and rebuild the entire building. Apparently that $6 million of taxpayer money was wasted.

PCC is a sinking ship. It’s losing students and wasting your tax dollars. It won’t be bailed out by even more of your taxes.

TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION OF OREGON URGES A NO VOTE ON 26-224

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(This information furnished by Jason Williams, Taxpayer Association of Oregon)
Measure 34-321

BALLOT TITLE

Renew Beaverton Schools Levy to Preserve Teachers, Protect Class Sizes

Question: Shall district preserve 286 teachers, protect class sizes, by renewing 5-year levy, $1.25 per $1,000 assessed value, beginning in 2023? This measure renews current local option taxes.

Summary: Beaverton School District’s local option levy currently funds 286 teaching positions, allocated to every school in the district: 150 to Beaverton’s elementary schools, 48 to middle schools, 68 to high schools and 20 to option schools. The district serves nearly 40,000 children in 54 schools.

Renewing the levy would allow Beaverton schools to maintain these teaching positions, protect class sizes, and help ensure students are prepared for post-high school learning and career success, without raising taxes.

Voters in 2013 and 2018 approved local option levies that have raised $271 million; 100% has remained in Beaverton schools to fund teaching positions and protect class sizes.

Renewing the levy for 5 years would continue the current tax rate, $1.25 per $1,000 assessed property value. The owner of a home with an average assessed value of about $303,000 would continue to pay less than $32 per month.

The levy is projected to raise $205 million over five years:
- 2023-24: $39 million
- 2024-25: $40 million
- 2025-26: $41 million
- 2026-27: $42 million
- 2027-28: $43 million

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Levy Renewal

Beaverton School District serves more than 39,000 students in 54 schools. In 2013, voters approved a local option levy to restore teaching positions that had been cut due to repeated state funding shortfalls. In 2018, voters renewed the levy to maintain teaching positions. These levies have raised $271 million, and 100% has remained in Beaverton schools to fund teaching positions and protect class sizes.

This measure would renew the local option levy at the current tax rate for five years, to continue to pay for teachers in Beaverton schools.

Levy-funded teaching positions are allocated to every school in the district, ensuring that students across the district, regardless of their neighborhood or background, have access to effective teachers and support to thrive in school and after graduation.

The levy funds nearly 300 teachers across the district. In the current school year, the levy pays for:

- 150 teaching positions in Beaverton’s 34 elementary schools. If the levy renewal is not passed, 2 to 8 positions at each elementary school would potentially be eliminated.
- 48 teaching positions in Beaverton’s 9 middle schools. If the levy renewal is not passed, 4 to 6 positions at each middle school would potentially be eliminated.
- 68 teaching positions in Beaverton’s 6 high schools. If the levy renewal is not passed, 9 to 15 positions at each high school would potentially be eliminated.
- 20 teaching positions in Beaverton’s 5 option schools. If the levy renewal is not passed, 1 to 5 positions at each option school would potentially be eliminated.

Renewing the levy will allow Beaverton schools to preserve these teaching positions, maintain class sizes, and help ensure students are prepared for post-high school learning and career success, all without raising the tax rate.

Prevent Budget Cuts

The current local option levy expires in June 2023. If the levy is not renewed, the Beaverton School District would have to reduce its budget by at least $39 million dollars, the equivalent of eliminating nearly 300 teaching positions and increasing class sizes by an average of six students per class.

A local option levy is different from a capital bond measure, like the one passed by Beaverton voters in May 2022. By Oregon law, bond funds must be spent on capital construction projects and other infrastructure, like technology and transportation. Bond money cannot pay for teaching positions.

Cost of the Levy

The local option levy rate is $1.25 per $1,000 assessed property value (not market value). A homeowner with an average assessed property value of $303,021 would continue to pay less than $32 a month for the levy.

Same Tax Rate

If the levy renewal is approved, the tax rate would remain the same. The average Beaverton homeowner would continue to pay about $32 a month to provide funding for teaching positions through 2028.

Accountability

100% of the levy funds goes to pay for teaching positions. None goes to administration. All funds stay in Beaverton schools. Ongoing reports to the public ensure that funds are used as intended.

Submitted by:
Gustavo Balderas, Superintendent
Beaverton School District

NO ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

We’re voting YES for Beaverton’s Teachers and Students!

We are the volunteer Beaverton School Board members. Our goal is to provide the best possible education to children in our community and ensure every student is prepared for post-high school success.

Teachers are the backbone of our schools. Funding teachers ensures that our students’ needs are being met. Students across the district, regardless of their background, deserve access to effective teachers and support to thrive both in school and after graduation.

Please join us in voting YES on Measure 34-32 to renew the local option levy at the current tax rate for five years, and protect nearly 300 teachers in Beaverton schools.

VOTE YES TO PROTECT BEAVERTON SCHOOLS, TEACHERS AND CLASS SIZES

Measure 34-321 will allow Beaverton schools to preserve nearly 300 teaching positions, protect class sizes, and help ensure students are prepared for post-high school success, all without raising tax rates.

SAME LOW TAX RATE

The renewal provides funding for teaching positions through 2023 at the same tax rate we pay today. An average Beaverton homeowner would continue to pay less than $32 a month. That’s a small price to pay to maintain teaching positions and protect class sizes.

PREVENTS PAINFUL CUTS

Without the levy renewal, the Beaverton School District will be forced to cut its budget by at least $39 million, risking nearly 300 teaching positions and increasing class sizes by an average of six students per class. Beaverton schools need the levy renewal to prevent painful cuts.

100% OF DOLLARS STAY IN THE CLASSROOM TO FUND TEACHERS

JOIN US IN SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL SCHOOLS!

Tom Colett, School Board Chair
Dr. Karen Pérez, School Board Vice Chair, Yes for Beaverton Schools co-chair
Sunita Garg, School Board Member, Yes for Beaverton Schools co-chair
Susan Greenberg, School Board Member
Eric Simpson, School Board Member
Ugonna Enyinnaya, School Board Member
Becky Tymchuk, School Board Member

(This information furnished by Inna Levin)
Measure 26-227

BALLOT TITLE

Bonds to Increase Safety, Security; Repair, Update Schools; Vocational Education

Question: Shall District increase safety, security, emergency communications; repair, update schools; construct career technical education center; issue $140.32 million in 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 sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Summary: David Douglas School District will receive state matching funds of $8,000,000 if bonds are approved.

Bonds would finance capital costs to fund projects that:

- Improve Health, Safety & Security:
  - Secure entries at Elementary Schools
  - New emergency communications systems
  - Air quality improvements; filtration, heating, cooling
  - Emergency generators
  - Replace fire safety systems
  - Remove asbestos ceilings
- Update, Repair Aging Schools:
  - Electrical, roofing, flooring, lighting, plumbing improvements
  - Exterior repairs: windows, sidings, lighting, replace track surfaces
- Expand Student Opportunities:
  - New CTE, STEM, Hands on Learning center at High School
  - Provide additional instructional space
  - Additional capital costs including site improvements, facility renovations and/or additions, land acquisition, demolition, furnishings, equipment, accounting and bond issuance costs.

Citizen oversight committee, audits required

Bonds may be issued in multiple series; each maturing within 33 years from issuance. Principal amount of bonds limited to $140,320,000. Estimated increase in tax rate is $0.88 per $1,000 of assessed property value. Actual levy rate may differ due to changes in interest rates and assessed value.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The David Douglas School District serves approximately 8,500 students in 9 elementary, 3 middle and 2 high school campuses.

The average age of District buildings is 61 years. The oldest school is Alice Ott Middle School, built in 1937, and most schools were constructed in the 1950’s.

The District conducted a thorough assessment of its facilities and found schools face challenges including:

- Health, Safety & Security
  - There are 11 schools in the District that do not have secured entries.
  - Most schools in the District have fire safety systems, intercoms and other safety measures that are either obsolete, aging, or do not meet current standards.
  - Classroom temperatures vary widely, HVAC and air handling systems are aging, and inefficient.
- Aging Buildings
  - Buildings across the District have major systems like electrical, HVAC, roofs and plumbing that have reached the end of their usable life.
- Lack of Space for CTE and STEM
  - The main buildings at David Douglas High School were built in 1954 and are out of date for today’s educational needs. Spaces for hands-on learning like CTE and STEM are either too small or not adequate for current technology.
- Demand for Preschool Exceeds Available Space
  - Currently the demand for early childhood learning exceeds available preschool spaces at elementary schools.

Community identified priorities: In 2021, after the completion of an independent school facility evaluation, the District formed a bond advisory committee that gathered public input on the needs of school buildings. This committee put forth a recommended plan to improve every school in the District to the school board.

School Board refers bond, seeks community support.

The school board seeks voter approval of a $140.32 million general obligation bond.

The Bond is expected to fund the following improvements:

- Improve Health, Safety & Security:
  - Secure entries at 11 schools currently without them
  - New emergency communications systems
  - Air quality improvements; filtration, heating, cooling
  - Emergency generators
  - Replace fire safety systems
  - Remove asbestos ceilings
- Update, Repair Aging Schools:
  - Electrical, roofing, flooring, lighting, plumbing improvements
  - Exterior repairs: windows, sidings, lighting, replace track surfaces
- Expand Student Opportunities:
  - Construct the Future Careers Center a new CTE, STEM, hands-on-learning building at David Douglas High School
  - Provide additional instructional space
- Invest in Space for Preschool & Early Learning
  - Remodel and renovate the North Powellhurst building on SE 135th Ave. to create a preschool hub.
- Additional capital costs including site improvements, facility renovations and/or additions, land acquisition, demolition, furnishings, equipment, accounting and bond issuance costs.

Community bond oversight committee will monitor bond progress and issue reports to the community, audits required.

Bonds may be issued in multiple series; each maturing within 33 years from issuance. Principal amount of bonds limited to $140,320,000. Estimated increase in tax rate is $0.88 per $1,000 of assessed property value. Actual levy rate may differ due to changes in interest rates and assessed value.

Submitted by:

Patt Komar, Director of Administrative Services
David Douglas School District

NO ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

**Firefighters, police and doctors all agree: Vote Yes for Measure 26-227 for SAFER, SECURE & HEALTHIER Schools**

As public safety and health professionals, we know it’s our responsibility to do everything we can to keep our community safe.

When it comes to school safety, the headlines across the nation are all too frequent and similar. It’s an unfortunate fact that in today’s world, our schools must be ready to respond to any manner of threat.

Right now our David Douglas school buildings leave our kids—and the adults who care for them—vulnerable. Measure 26-227 will change that.

**Safety and Security:**

- **We need to know who is in our buildings.** There are 11 schools in the district that do not have secured entries. This bond will place new secured entry vestibules in these vulnerable schools.
- **Staff must be able to quickly respond to emergency situations.** In emergencies such as an active shooter or fire on school grounds, the ability to respond quickly literally saves lives. This bond measure helps us do that—funding new emergency communications and fire safety systems that help keep students and staff safe in the case of imminent danger.

**Healthy Schools:**

- **Classroom temperatures vary widely, HVAC and air handling systems are aging, inefficient and in some cases nonexistent.** Updated systems will ensure our schools are safe and places of refuge for our community in future heat and smoke events. The HVAC projects in the proposed bond would replace or upgrade the oldest HVAC units.

The David Douglas School Bond will help keep our kids, and the adults who care for them, safe & healthy. Please join us in voting yes.

Isaac McLennan IAFF Local 43, Portland Firefighters Association
Sheriff Michael Reese, Multnomah County Sheriff
Dr. Sharon Meieran, Multnomah County Commissioner, District 1
Tom Potter, Former Portland Police Chief & Former Mayor
David Goldberg, Public Health Specialist
Jeffrey Osborne, NP
Joyce Beedle RN, BSN

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(This information furnished by Stephanie D. Stephens, David Douglas Community for Schools)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

**As David Douglas School Board Members, we’re honored to state our unanimous, firm and unequivocal support for Measure 26-227**

As volunteer School Board Members we know schools build stronger communities, which is why this November’s Bond is so important. Large-scale repairs and safety upgrades are urgently needed in our aging facilities.

Our community has always come together to invest in education. This bond will help maintain district facilities and provides vital hands-on learning spaces for our kids. Better schools provide opportunities for student success and increase the value of our homes.

This bond will raise $140 million for David Douglas schools and generate $8 million in state matching funds.

We referred this measure to voters for four key reasons:

1) **Health, Safety & Security**
2) **Aging Buildings**
3) **Lack of Space for CTE and STEAM**
4) **Demand for Preschool Exceeds Available Space**

Measure 26-227 will address these areas of concern.

**Safer, Healthier Schools**
This bond prioritizes the health and safety of our students and staff. It constructs safe entryways at 11 of our schools that currently lack them. It also makes urgent improvements to emergency communications and fire/life safety systems. Our students and teachers deserve to feel safe at school.

**Protect Our Community’s Investment in Our School Buildings**

The bond proposal will provide critical repairs throughout the district such as replacing deteriorating roofs, improving ventilation, and making necessary plumbing and electrical upgrades so that our schools are highly functioning.

**Future Careers Center at David Douglas High**
A brand new building on campus will house a variety of programs that focus on hands-on learning, CTE & STEAM.

**Access to Preschool**
This bond will ensure our schools meet the needs of our youngest learners by renovating existing structures to house a preschool hub.

Help build a better future for our students. Join us in voting YES for our David Douglas Schools!

Donna Barber, Chair
Gabriela Saldaña-Lopez, Vice Chair
Aaron Barow
Frieda Christopher
Heather Franklin
Hoa Nguyen
Stephanie Stephens

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(This information furnished by Stephanie D. Stephens, David Douglas Community for Schools)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

**David Douglas School District’s Teachers and Principals Urge a Yes on 26-227**

As teachers and principals in your neighborhood schools, we go to work every day in these buildings and witness firsthand their condition and impact on our students.

We are strongly urging you to vote for Measure 26-227.

By voting YES, you will help provide the safe and healthy environments kids need for a high-quality education. Your support will ensure our schools continue to thrive.

Measure 26-227 is Critical for:

- **School Safety**, including secure entryways to 11 schools and fire/emergency upgrades;
- **Healthy, Functioning Buildings** through urgent, large-scale repairs;
- **Preschool Expansion**, ensuring our youngest learners get a fair start; and
- **Future Career Pathways** for our high school students.

As educators, it is our mission every day to help young people prepare for their futures. Help provide them an excellent educational environment!

Don Grotting, Former Superintendent
DDEA

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The children of our community need these critical improvements. Far too often our community fails to get the necessary investments it needs. This is our chance to raise funds right here in David Douglas, of which 100% will be spent in our community.

We urge you to join us in voting yes on Measure 26-227.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

David Douglas Business Leaders Say: EDUCATION IS THE FOUNDATION OF OUR ECONOMY

Measure 26-227 is an efficient investment in a better future of our community.

As leaders and entrepreneurs of businesses large and small in David Douglas, we are asking you to please vote YES on Measure 26-227. Excellent public schools are necessary for building and retaining a quality workforce, supporting existing businesses and attracting new ones, and that’s why we urge a YES vote on Measure 26-227 for David Douglas schools.

Providing safe, healthy and updated schools will improve student achievement, teacher performance and academic outcomes. Teachers, staff and students will all greatly benefit from a cost-effective investment in classrooms that will enhance learning opportunities.

Future Careers Center

We are especially excited about the proposed Future Careers Center at David Douglas High.

The Future Careers Center will be a brand new building on campus housing a variety of hands-on learning programs, including CTE & STEAM. This investment will provide local employers with students who graduate career-ready in a variety of fields.

Local Employment

100% of bond funds will stay right here in our community, providing jobs and opportunity for local construction companies, manufacturers, architecture firms and the labor these industries employ.

Accountable

Businesses know how important accountability is when making investments. This is an accountable and transparent public investment. We believe this bond makes good financial sense and we have confidence in the transparency of this work; the bond will be subject to public accountability measures, including audits and citizen review.

Join Local Businesses in Supporting Measure 26-227

Kenneth Thrasher

Gateway Area Business Assoc.

Fred Sanchez

Food Fight Grocery

Adam Sullivan

Jet Black Coffee

Karla Noit

Liberty Coin/Time Capsule Antiques

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Saysana Jeung
Lisa Parks
Hipolito Saldaña
John Horner
Derek Franklin
Mandy Hurley

Lily Market
Lisa Parks Insurance and Financial Services
Los Arcos Mexican Food
Pizza Hut
SE Cooper Contemporary Art
Simple Sundries

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(Team information furnished by Aaron Brown, David Douglas Community For Schools)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

YES to Modern Hands-On Learning

Education is changing. Students today are seeking a variety of college and career pathways through the addition of vocational programs and job training programs. Now more than ever we need to invest in hands-on learning/career technical education that supports career pathways after graduation in fields such as construction, healthcare, engineering, culinary arts and more.

Unfortunately there is a lack of space for hands-on learning opportunities in the David Douglas School District. The main buildings at David Douglas High were built in 1954 and are out of date for today’s educational needs. Spaces for hands-on learning like CTE & STEAM are either too small or nonexistent.

FUTURE CAREERS CENTER

The largest single proposed investment in Measure 26-227 is the Future Careers Center at David Douglas High. This will be a brand new building on campus housing a variety of hands-on learning programs, such as CTE & STEAM.

The Bond will also expand flexible education spaces at elementary schools across the district so that younger learners can experience exciting and fun programs in CTE, STEAM and more.

This bond is essential to ensure our students have the safe and modern learning environments they deserve. Join Local Labor Unions in Voting YES for 26-227 and help give our students the opportunities to succeed in whatever career path they choose.

Garth Bachman
Derron Coles
Margaret Burke
Charlie Dobson

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(Team information furnished by Heather Franklin, David Douglas Community for Schools)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS SUPPORT DAVID DOUGLAS SCHOOL BOND

"An investment in knowledge pays the best interest.”
—Benjamin Franklin

As elected officials of all levels, we are coming together to strongly support the David Douglas School Bond and urge you to join us in supporting this vital measure for our schools. Some of us are also parents of kids in David Douglas schools and others are graduates of our local public education system.

Investing in our public schools is one of the smartest things we can do as a community.

A great public school system is vital to our economy, our neighborhoods, our communities and is critical if we want a community that is inclusive, accessible and open for everyone.

By voting YES on Measure 26-227 for DAVID DOUGLAS SCHOOLS this November, we will help our schools provide the safe and healthy environments kids need for a high-quality education.

Your support will ensure our schools continue to thrive.

Measure 26-227 would raise $140 million to fund improvements including safety, air ventilation and plumbing, roofs, electrical upgrades, security upgrades, and other repairs and updates. The bond provides a dedicated space for hands-on learning at the new Future Careers Center building emphasizing CTE & STEAM at the High School. Additionally, the bond will meet the needs of our youngest learners by investing in space for an Early Learning hub.

Join us! Show your support for our local Schools by voting YES on Measure 26-227.

Jeff Merkley
Earl Blumenauer
Michael Dembrow
Kayse Jama
Khanh Pham
Jeff Reardon
Andrea Valderrama
Duncan Hwang
Ashton Simpson
Deborah Kafoury
Susheela Jayapal
Dr. Sharon Meieren
Lori Stegmann
Jessica Vega Pederson
Jessica Arzate
Katrina Doughty
Helin Ying
Libra Forde
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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

We’re Retired and We Support Measure 26-227

As retired community members, we worry about our budgets, and know many fellow seniors live on a fixed income.

But we also know a good investment when we see it.

We care deeply about the education of our David Douglas children and know that strong schools are critical for the strength and vitality of our community.

Measure 26-227 is a good and reasonable investment that will ensure our community’s school facilities last longer, and provide our students with a safe and healthy learning environment. This measure will make improvements in ventilation systems, replace roofs, and add safety upgrades to interior locking doors and entry systems at schools across the district.

This bond will also build a Future Careers Center at David Douglas High School—a modern vocational and technical education building to give students critical skills to graduate career-ready.

Additionally, we know upgrading outdated technology is critical to ensuring our students are successful leaders in the future. This bond will pay for necessary infrastructure upgrades.

Our community is a great place to live and raise a family. As parts of our community continue to evolve, demand for things like early childhood education grows as well.

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This bond measure will help maintain the investment we have already made in David Douglas Schools, and increase the value of our homes.

David Douglas School District is well-managed and responsible with our tax dollars. Plus, we can count on them to provide accountability and transparency with the investments they make through regular reporting and audits. We trust David Douglas to get this bond done on time and within budget.

Invest in our Community: Vote YES on Measure 26-227 for strong schools!

Don Grotting, Retired Superintendent
Richard Craddick, Retired Assistant Superintendent
John Bier, Retired DDHS Principal
Dr Michael Cummings
Beverly Fischer
David Goldberg
Karin Hansen
Chris Hassett
Karin Hassett
Ailene Kimura
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Cherie-Anne May
M. John May
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(This information furnished by Frieda Christopher, David Douglas Community for Schools)
Five-Year Operating Levy for Parkrose School District

Question: Shall district retain teachers, classroom assistants by levying one dollar per one thousand dollars assessed value for five years beginning 2023? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

Summary: The Parkrose School district currently estimates a $3.2 million dollar budget shortfall for the 23/24 school year leaving the District unable to maintain current services and programs. A $3.2 million dollar budget reduction is equivalent to eliminating 26 teaching positions or 18 school days.

The measure, if approved, would allow the District to raise approximately $2 million dollars per a year to retain teachers and classroom instructional assistants.

The levy would fund approximately 22 educational positions (60% teachers, 40% classroom instructional assistants) focused on:
- Keeping class sizes low at the K-2 level
- Specialists to provide career oriented electives at middle and high school level
- One educational assistant in every kindergarten in District
- Meeting state mandates requiring that every elementary student have access to physical education

The measure will raise approximately $2,600,000 in 2023-24, $2,700,000 in 2024-25, $2,700,000 in 2025-26, $2,800,000 in 2026-27, and $2,900,000 in 2027-28, a total of $13,700,000 over five years at a rate estimated not to exceed $1.00 cents per $1,000 of taxable assessed value within the District beginning July 1, 2023.

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 and may reflect the impact of early payment discounts, compression and the collection rate.

EXEMPLARY STATEMENT

The Parkrose School District currently serves over 2,800 students in six schools and other programs throughout the Parkrose community. Parkrose School District is proud to be one of the most diverse student populations in the state. Dedicated staff provide academics, mentoring, music and arts, science, sports and physical education to help all students learn, grow and succeed.

A Record of Fiscal Stewardship

In serving the students of Parkrose, the district continuously strives to be fiscally responsible with taxpayer resources. Through many years of budget cuts, the school district and Board have worked to preserve classroom education. At the same time, Parkrose School District has advocated for a greater level of state investment by the Legislature and worked to ensure that all dollars are spent well and used for educational services for students.

In November, 2021 independent auditors gave Parkrose a clean financial bill of health and the district will continue to receive regular independent performance audits to monitor effective use of taxpayer resources.

Anticipated Budget Shortfall

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Proposed Levy to Help Retain Teachers, Education Assistants

The measure, if approved, would allow the District to raise approximately $2 million dollars per a year to retain teachers and classroom instructional assistants.

The levy would fund approximately 22 educational positions (60% teachers, 40% classroom instructional assistants) focused on:
- Keeping class sizes low at the K-2 level
- Specialists to provide career oriented electives at middle and high school level
- One educational assistant in every kindergarten in District
- Meeting state mandates requiring that every elementary student have access to physical education

Fiscal accountability and independent oversight

- Regular audits ensures that all funds raised are directed to the voter-approved purpose of supporting schools.
- This local option requires independent citizen oversight so that tax dollars are used only for purposes approved by local voters.
- Funds will be placed in a separate fund structure to ensure their correct use and accurate reporting and to prevent commingling of dollars.
- No funds from this local option levy will be used for district administration.

Estimated Tax Impact

The measure will raise approximately $2,600,000 in 2023-24, $2,700,000 in 2024-25, $2,700,000 in 2025-26, $2,800,000 in 2026-27, and $2,900,000 in 2027-28, a total of $13,700,000 over five years at a rate estimated not to exceed $1.00 cents per $1,000 of taxable assessed value within the District beginning July 1, 2023.

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Submitted by:
Michael Lopes Serrao, Superintendent.
David Douglas School District

NO ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

The Parkrose Faculty Association enthusiastically supports and endorses the Parkrose Teacher’s Levy.

As educators we see the effects that funding makes on the lives and education of our students and community; sometimes those effects show immediately. Without the proper funding, our district faces loss of approximately 22 positions, larger class sizes, and a lack of resources for programs and student opportunities.

This levy is a chance for our community to balance some of the serious inequities in how the state funds our district. All of us want to see our students succeed and our district supported financially. Our students deserve to have educational assistants in every kindergarten classroom and more opportunities for more career oriented electives for middle and high school.

Students are more successful when class sizes are small and students get more personal attention. Parkrose has been fortunate to have been able to keep most elementary class sizes low, but The Parkrose School District is facing a budget deficit that would result in elimination of 12% of educational positions in the district.

The teachers in Parkrose choose to work in our district because they love the community. This levy will allow us to provide more programs that our students deserve at the secondary level. With the levy, Parkrose students will have more opportunity to graduate having taken more courses to make them ready for college, trades, or careers.

The Parkrose Teacher’s Levy safeguards against losing the small gains Oregon has already made. We are one of the most diverse, high need student populations in the state and our community has been disproportionately impacted in recent years by the Covid pandemic. This is a chance to build our district and ensure our kids have the education they deserve at the local level.

Zachary Melzer
President I Parkrose Faculty Association
Jody Folkedahl Eppolito
Vice President I Parkrose Faculty Association

(This information furnished by Zachary H Melzer, Parkrose Faculty Association)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Your Volunteer Board Supports the Parkrose Teachers Levy!

We are your volunteer Parkrose School Board. Our mission is to ensure all students receive the academic knowledge, career skills, and community connections to grow and thrive as leaders and innovators. Students are the changemakers of our future.

As your Board, we oversee the district budget and spending. We work to manage district resources wisely:

• We refinanced our Bond debt, saving an estimated $4.8 million.
• We obtained discounted bus passes for high school students, negotiating aggressively with TriMet; saving $96,000.
• We issued two pension bonds totaling $47.4 million; estimated present value savings over 20 years is $9.8 million.

Despite cost-saving efforts, declining enrollment means we face a budget shortfall for 2023-24. (The funding received is based on the number of students enrolled.) Temporary federal money this year helped bridge the gap. Without increased enrollment or a change in state funding, we will have to cut staff and increase class sizes.

We will continue to tenaciously advocate for more state funding, because our students deserve our support.

Now we turn to you – our neighbors, friends and business owners – to support our schools.

We will ensure levy funds are used responsibly:

• We have strong financial accounting practices in place to ensure funds go directly into the classroom.
• Our district completes a full financial audit each year. The Board makes sure that any recommended changes are promptly implemented.
• We are accountable to you – our community. We worked hard to navigate state requirements to get Student Success Act funds for Physical Education at elementary, Art at PMS, family liaisons, special education, and language services. We are listening to you!

This levy will enable us to retain the teachers and assistants needed for a stable, successful learning environment. JOIN US IN VOTING YES!

Elizabeth Durant, Chair
Joshua Singleton, Vice Chair
Brenda Rivás, Board Member
Eva-Jeannette Rawlins, Board Member
Sonja McKenzie, Board Member

Visit YesForParkrose.org for more endorsements.

(This information furnished by Elizabeth Durant, Yes For Parkrose)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

As Executive Director of Elevate Oregon, a nonprofit organization serving at-risk youth in the Parkrose School District, I want to strongly endorse the passing of this Parkrose School District (PSD) Teachers levy.

Elevate Oregon builds daily mentoring relationships with youth in order to increase graduation rates and expose underserved students to career development. Elevate is uniquely and intentionally embedded within Parkrose School District classrooms and works together with district staff to reach and serve youth across the district.

PSD is our primary partner in this work, and has been instrumental in growing our program and increasing our services at a critical time for Parkrose youth. With the support of the district, we are able to offer daily, culturally responsive programming to youth in grades 3-12, with wraparound programming after school and in summer.

Since 2010, this strong collaborative relationship has improved outcomes for hundreds of high-need students, and deepened both parties’ approach to issues of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. Passing this levy will lend stability to our schools, enhance support for our youngest learners, and offer district students increased access to career learning.

Please join me and Elevate Oregon in supporting a YES vote this November on the Parkrose School District Teachers Levy Measure No. 26-229!

Donell Morgan, Executive Director
Elevate Oregon

(This information furnished by Donell Morgan, Elevate Oregon)
Corbett Fire District

Measure 26-237

BALLOT TITLE

Corbett Fire District No. 14 General Obligation Bond Authorization

Question: Shall Corbett Fire District No. 14 issue $4,500,000 general obligation bonds to finance capital costs, improvements and equipment? 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, bond proceeds will be used to:
- Expansion and renovation of the 3 District stations to meet current and anticipated District needs, including equipment storage and access and possible seismic upgrades to existing facilities;
- Construction of 5 underground cisterns for in-district water storage throughout the District in areas where hydrants or drafting sources are impracticable or absent to aid in fire suppression and prevention;
- Construction of a training facility for volunteer drilling and training;
- Acquisition of emergency response and other firefighting equipment.

Bonds would mature in 21 years or less from the date of issuance and may be issued in one or more series. The average annual tax rate is estimated to be $.65 per $1,000.00 of taxable assessed value. Actual rates may vary based upon interest rates incurred and changes in taxable assessed value. The estimated tax cost for the measure is an estimate only, based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of the estimate.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

What services does Corbett Fire District #14 provide?
Corbett Fire District #14 (the “District”) provides fire, rescue and emergency services to a 40 square mile service area that includes the communities of Corbett, Springdale, Aims, Latourell, Bridal Veil, and surrounding areas with approximately 4,000 residents. This area includes many acres of wildland/urban interface, forest lands, over 2,000 acres of Oregon State Parks, Columbia and Sandy River recreation areas, Interstate 84 and Union Pacific Railroad property. In addition to and through a contract with Multnomah County, the District also provides emergency medical services to areas east of the district up to the Hood River County line. As such, and through a vigorous and broad-based training program, District firefighters are skilled and experienced in water and rope rescues; emergency medical services; vehicle, wildland and residential fires; trail rescues and; vehicle accidents, among others.

These services are provided by a force of 31 volunteer firefighters, a paid part-time Fire Chief and a paid part-time Office Administrator. The District responds to approximately 550 calls per year from three fire stations strategically located in Corbett, Springdale and Aims.

How would the funds be used?
It is anticipated that the $4.5 million bond measure would meet the District’s present and anticipated medical and fire emergency response needs. If approved, bond proceeds will fund the projects below:
Upgrade and expansion, capital construction and improvement, and acquisition of firefighting equipment and apparatus:

What is the cost to property taxpayers?
The annual average tax levy rate for the bond is estimated to be $.65 per $1,000 of taxable assessed value. The estimated cost for a property having a taxable assessed value of $300,000, the approximate average assessed value for a residence within the District, would be $195 per year or $16.25 per month. The estimated tax cost for the measure is an estimate only, based on the best available information from the county assessor at the time of the estimate. Actual bond interest rates, future annual taxable assessed valuations, property tax collections, and property taxes levies may vary.

If the bond is not approved, capital projects may be delayed or go unfunded as existing funding sources, currently utilized for on-going operational costs, are insufficient to make the improvements and acquisitions described herein.

Need more information?
Visit the District’s website at corbettfire.com.

Submitted by:
Rick Wunsch, Fire Chief
Corbett Fire District

NO ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OR OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.
Five-Year Local Option Tax for District Operations

Question: Shall the District renew five-year levy of $.60 per $1,000 of assessed value for five years for operating expenses beginning in 2023-2024? This measure renews current local option taxes.

Summary: The taxes will be used to meet the operating expenses of the Alto Park Water District and to maintain a contingency fund for future operation expenses. The primary operating expense is a contract for fire protection services with the Lake Oswego Fire Department.

An estimate of the total amount to be raised each fiscal year is:
- $18,802.65 in 2023-2024
- $19,366.73 in 2024-2025
- $19,947.73 in 2025-2026
- $20,546.16 in 2026-2027
- $21,162.55 in 2027-2028

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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Five-Year Local Option Tax for District Operations

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- $19,947.73 in 2025-2026
- $20,546.16 in 2026-2027
- $21,162.55 in 2027-2028

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Submitted by:
Michelle Freed, Budget Officer
Alto Park Water District

NO ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OR OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.
New Ballot Envelope Design

When your Multnomah County Elections ballot packet arrives, you will notice some changes, most noticeably the size of the envelope. Multnomah County has moved to a larger design (6 x 9 inches) to allow for larger and additional voter instructions to be printed on the outside of both the outgoing and return ballot envelopes. While the new style is more accessible, it also provides the same secure ballot you always receive in Multnomah County.

Trusted Election Information

Remember: The best way for Multnomah County voters to find trusted election information is to visit our website at MultnomahVotes.gov or call us at 503-988-VOTE (8683).
End of County Voters’ Pamphlet

This part of the Voters’ Pamphlet is provided by Multnomah County Elections Division. It includes information about candidates and measures from local jurisdictions within the boundaries of Multnomah County. Multnomah County has inserted the County Voters’ Pamphlet to save on mailing and production costs. The State Pamphlet (on either side of the color bar portion) includes federal and state candidates and state measures.

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