BENTON COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET



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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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ATTENTION

This is the beginning of your county voters' pamphlet. The county portion of this joint voters' pamphlet is inserted in the center of the state portion. Each page of the county voters' pamphlet is clearly marked with a gray screen bar on the outside edge. All information contained in the county portion of this pamphlet has been assembled and printed by the Benton County Elections Office.



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Dear Fellow Benton County Voter:

On November 7, 2000, a General Election will be held at which you will have an opportunity to exercise you rights and privileges to elect candidates and enact laws.

The Board of Commissioners has created the **County Voters' Pamphlet** in order to provide information about local candidates and measures to assure that the voters of Benton County are well informed about the choices they will face when they vote on November 7.

Instructions on voting, information about local candidates, the text of measures and arguments for and against proposed measures, and a list of official ballot drop sites are included in the Voters' Pamphlet.

Once again, in an effort to reduce the production and mailing costs associated with providing this information, Benton County has contracted to insert its Voters' Pamphlet into the State Voters' Pamphlet.

It is our hope that the information provided herein will assist you in making wise and informed choices for our community.

Sincerely,

Benton County Commissioner

Orville R. (Bob) Adams

Linda Modrell

Benton County Commissioner Benton County Commissioner

VOTE

Measure No. 02-96

BALLOT TITLE

JAIL BED RENTAL AND CORRECTIONS PROGRAM THREE-YEAR LOCAL OPTION LEVY

QUESTION: Shall Benton County impose \$0.31 per \$1000 assessed value for three years beginning 2001 to expand jail and corrections programs?

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

SUMMARY: THIS IS AN INTERIM MEASURE.

This levy would pay for rental of up to 40 beds annually in jails in nearby counties. It would fund staff and supplies necessary to coordinate inmate placement and transportation. It would create a transition center for inmates completing their sentence who need extra help to successfully return to the community, update technology to create video links to counties housing Benton County prisoners, and support planning for a new jail.

The existing jail can hold no more than 40 inmates. An average of 70 beds is currently needed to ensure prisoners serve their full sentence and eliminating waiting lists.

The maximum tax rate of this levy is \$0.31 per \$1000 of assessed value for three years. Property with an assessed value of \$150,000 would pay approximately \$47 annually, or \$3.88 per month.

At 2% annual growth in assessed value the tax will raise approximately \$1,421,020 in FY01-02, \$1,449,441 in FY02-03, and \$1,478,429 in FY03-04 for a total of \$4,348,890. The Budget Committee may impose a lower tax rate if warranted.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Purpose

This is an interim measure. The primary purpose would be to pay for rental of up to 40 beds annually in jails in nearby counties. It would also fund:

- * staff and supplies necessary to coordinate inmate placement and transportation.
- * a transition center for inmates completing their sentence who need extra help to successfully return to the community.
- * upgraded video link technology to be compatible with systems in counties housing Benton County prisoners.

Strengthen Justice System

A jail is a fundamental component of an effective criminal justice system. Today our courts, District Attorney, and parole and probation officers cannot depend on the jail as an effective sanction because of its limited capacity. Additional capacity would increase the effectiveness of current alternative sanction programs because failure to comply would result in immediate incarceration.

Alternative sanctions include home detention, work crew, community service and assignment to various treatment programs. Altogether parole and probation officers supervised 957 individual adults at some time during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2000 with a daily caseload average of 473 offenders.

Development of a transition center should reduce recidivism (arrest for repeat offense) by removing obstacles to successful return to normal community life. The center would be used for offenders released from state prison and county jail.

Short Term Measure

This measure is a short-term step to increase jail capacity. The current jail can hold no more than 40 prisoners. Sentenced prisoners now serve only about half their time due to lack of capacity. Some prisoners waitup to 30 days to begin serving a sentence. Early release and waiting list statistics indicate an average of 70 beds is currently needed if all prisoners are to serve their full sentence. If this levy is approved, the rental program would begin in January 2001.

Long Term Solution

The Board of Commissioners believes construction of a larger county jail is the long-term solution. Other counties may not have excess capacity to rent in the future because of changing circumstances in their communities. Planning and design of a new jail will continue, and would be partially funded by this levy. A bond measure may be presented to the voters in 2001. If approved the earliest year a new jail could be opened is late in 2003.

Tax Information

This interim levy is for three years. It will begin in 2001. It will end after 2003.

The maximum tax rate of this levy is \$0.31 per \$1000 of assessed value annually. A property with an assessed value of \$150,000 will pay approximately \$47 annually, about \$3.88 per month. The rate is a maximum amount. Annually the Board of Commissioners and the Budget Committee will review the budget and have the option to levy a lesser amount if warranted.

(Submitted by the Benton County Board of Commissioners)

Measure No. 02-96

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Benton County has a chronic shortage of jail space. The current 27 cell (40 inmate) jail is completely inadequate to meet the County's needs. Several studies have confirmed that Benton County currently needs more than 70 jail beds. Passing a levy to rent up to an additional 40 jail beds from other Oregon Counties is the least expensive option Benton County can present to the voters as a short-term solution to the problem. (E.g., for a home assessed at \$150,000, Measure 02-96 will cost the owner approximately \$47 a year; by comparison, had it passed, the May 2000 jail levy to build and operate a new Benton County jail would have cost the same homeowner, approximately \$140 a year).

Voters should not confuse Measure 02-96 as a long-term fix. It is not. Measure 02-96 is only a three-year levy intended to relieve the immediate pressure on Benton County's criminal justice system. However, the excess jail capacity currently available to rent from other counties will not be around over the long-term. Consequently, the citizens of Benton County will need to approve a long-term solution in the very near future.

In short, Measure 02-96 is a simple and inexpensive short-term solution to a very real problem in Benton County. Please join us in voting YES for Measure 02-96.

Respectfully submitted:

Bob Adams.

Benton County Commissioner

Linda Modrell,

Benton County Commissioner

Bob Speaker,

Benton County Commissioner

Scott Heiser,

Benton County District Attorney

Stan Robson,

Benton County Sheriff

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

BENTON COUNTY JUDGES - THERE IS AN URGENT NEED FOR MORE JAIL BEDS.

Please give the levy to rent additional jail beds your serious consideration.

Benton County's current shortage of jail beds creates some **very serious problems** and creates some very significant public safety risks. Every day we are forced to release inmates from our jail who should not be released:

- 1. Defendants released from jail with future court dates often do not appear. They are then re-arrested, but immediately released because the jail is full.
- 2. Defendants arrested, including those arrested for crimes such as Assault, Theft, and Burglary, and taken to jail are often immediately released due to overcrowding.
- 3. Defendants sentenced to serve jail time almost never serve the full length of their jail sentence. When the jail gets full, inmates are just released, including inmates who have committed serious crimes and/or who have extensive criminal records.
- 4. Many high-risk offenders are on supervised probation. The probation officers need to require the probationers who violate their probation to serve jail time. But usually there is not available jail space. This significantly undermines the effectiveness of probation supervision.

Due to jail overcrowding, we usually are not using jail beds for drug offenders. Instead, we impose alternate sanctions, such as Home Detention, Work Crew, and Community Service.

This levy will give our county up to 40 additional beds rented from other counties. This will help alleviate our jail shortage crisis until another, more permanent, plan is developed. We feel that the the levy is being put forth in good faith by the Commissioners as the most cost effective way to solve an **urgent problem** that must be addressed now. We ask you to support this levy. Thank you.

(This information furnished by Bob Adams, Linda Modrell, Bob Speaker, Scott Heiser & Stan Robson) (This information furnished by Robert Gardner, Janet Holcomb, Henry Dickerson, Benton County Circuit Judges)

Measure No. 02-02

BALLOT TITLE

NON-BINDING BENTON COUNTY PRECINCT 137 ADVISORY OUESTION

QUESTION: Should a library be built east of Alsea School and south of Highway 34 without using tax dollars?

SUMMARY: NOTE: This measure is STRICTLY ADVISORY for the County Commissioners and does not empower local government to construct a library or acquire land.

This is an advisory question regarding a proposed new building to house the Alsea Branch Library. This question asks whether voters believe that the new building should be sited on land adjacent to the boundaries of the Community of Alsea. Whether the building is located within these boundaries or adjacent to them **may restrict** the building size, available parking space, and landscaping potential of the proposed facility.

Alsea's current library is a branch of the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library system. Its operation is funded from County taxes expressly set aside for the county-wide library system. Operations of the proposed library would be paid for by the current level of taxes collected. All of the operating equipment, circulation and reference materials, as well as all the utilities and personnel expenses of the library is covered within the existing tax structure.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Background:

The Alsea Strategic Planning Commission completed the Strategic Plan in December 1995. Alsea Community Effort (ACE) adopted the plan in May 1996. A new building for the branch library was identified as a high priority project in the Strategic Plan and subsequent reviews. The proposed Library project is a work in progress. The current branch library building contains 640 sq. ft. The State Librarian and the Oregon Library Association recommended a minimum library of 3,000 sq. ft. to meet the current and future needs of the community.

Proposal:

- The current proposal would be for ACE to build and own an approximately 4,000 sq. ft. building with public restrooms, a small office for ACE, and containing the normal library functional areas including a multi-purpose room.
- A number of potential sites were considered before the proposed site was chosen.
- The new building would be constructed on about an acre of Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) zoned land, immediately east of and adjacent to the school property, south of Highway 34.
- This site would provide the following: building space, off-street parking for 24 vehicles, landscaping, street lighting, curbside book return and possible expansion.

Zoning:

Because libraries are not specifically listed as permitted uses in Rural Residential, Commercial, or EFU zoned lands, the location of a new branch library building is subject to the approval of the County's Planning Official.

No New Taxes:

No local taxes would be used to construct or maintain the proposed building. Operations of the new library branch building would be paid for from the current taxes collected for the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library.

The site acquisition, building construction, and maintenance would be paid for with donations, contributions and grants of money, materials, and services or labor.

This measure is strictly advisory for the Benton County Board of Commissioners. Voting yes or no on this measure does not empower local government to raise any revenue to construct or operate a library. A yes or no vote on this measure would not determine whether a new library branch is built in the Alsea community.

(Submitted by the Benton County Board of Commissioners)

Measure No. 02-02

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

A library is for everyone. It is an essential ingredient in creating a strong, thriving community of which we can be proud. The children and adults of Alsea depend on a healthy community to support their growth and independence. We deserve a quality library.

Signatures in support of Measure 02-02

Ashley Antram Lydia Avery Nate Avery Gary Barnes Allison Blount Clark Bray Garry Browning Gwen Bruneau Bev Butterworth John Butterworth Linda Capriotti Mary Ann Car Katrina Carver Dick Champion Nancy Chandler Erik Chustz Sharon Chustz John W. Clark Malea Clark-Nicholson Rosalie Cobb-Ingram Emily Cooke Nancy Cooke Timothy Cooke Lynn Cowdry Toni Cowdry Dale Cox Kyle Curtis Barbara Dallmann Charles Dallmann Emily Dallmann Merrie Damen Jill De Wolfe Carol De Young Ron De Young Alan Dimock Diane Dimock Dale Doig Linda Doig Marina Donohue William Patrick Donohue Christoper Eaton Nancy Eaton Steve Elder Sharon Gauthier Mary Glade Steve Glade

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Carla Schamber

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Carson Smith

(This information furnished by Alsea Libary Support Group)

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Measure No. 02-02

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

The present Alsea Library building is in poor repair, too small, and in a noisy and unsafe location 4 feet off Highway 34. The new building and site plan include facilities which would enhance community access to:

- · a book collection doubled in size
- more public use computer stations
- a multipurpose room for children's and adults' library programs, evening classes, tutoring, Night Court events
- 2 public restrooms
- adult, children's, and young adult reading areas
- · parking for school sports events
- an office for Alsea Community Effort and Valley Voice newsletter

Why was this site chosen?

- only available site large enough for the planned building, parking area, and future expansion space
- easy, safe access from school for children
- close to town businesses
- creates a service hub for the town (school, clinic, library)
- leaves lots near Alsea businesses for commercial development
- leaves scarce existing home sites available for dwellings
- quiet--can be back from highway
- beautiful view

Who decided on this plan?

Anyone who wanted to join in the process. A majority of respondents to a community-wide survey favored building a new library in Alsea. 30 well-advertised library meetings, open to the public for input and voice in decisions, have ben held over 2-1/2 years. The State Librarian, an architect, local building contractors, county officials, Corvallis Library managers, Department of Transportation representatives, real estate appraiser, and legal counsel all lent their expertise to the carefully developed plan.

This information furnished by: Alsea Community Effort Board of Directors

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(This information furnished by Alsea Community Effort Board of Directors)

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

The ACE Library Plan is the subject of this advisory vote. As of September 10th, it is the <u>only</u> plan to design, build, fund, and own a new home for the Alsea Public Library. This plan has three years' of volunteer and paid professional work behind it. It is well researched, detailed, comprehensive, safe, fully documented, and most importantly, was publicly and openly developed by any and all who wanted to get involved. If this plan fails to clear the obstacles it faces, both natural and man-made, there is no other plan around which we can rally.

Opposition to the Library Plan appeared about 18 months ago. The folks whose names appear in opposition to this measure have used three months to criticize the plan because the library would be sited a block or two from where they think it should go or because it is larger than they want it to be. All of their concerns that were voiced publicly have been addressed in the Library Plan. If only one-tenth of the energy and resources used to oppose the ACE plan were instead used to develop an equally detailed and viable alternative, wouldn't you have a real choice today?

Alsea residents on both sides of this issue seem to agree this plan represents the best chance we've ever had to construct a new library in our town. It may be the last chance for a long time to finally give ourselves and our posterity the gift of a quality library. I'm not going to tell you this Library Plan isn't ambitious because it is, or that it's going to be easy to raise the money and pledges that we'll need, because it's not. But please, however you feel about the details of the plan, I urge you to vote yes on this measure to affirm your commitment to Alsea's future.

(This information furnished by Russ Kaufman)

Measure No. 02-02

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

We are completely baffled as to why anyone would oppose something for which they do not have to pay and that would add so much to the community's livability and children's educational opportunities.

The Alsea Library Committee, in conjunction with the Alsea Community Effort (ACE), has spent three years holding public meetings and discussions with professional planners, architects and library personnel to identify the best location that will provide maximum usefulness and <u>safety</u> to the library users, especially the school children. During this development process, the committee created a <u>sensible</u> library design that both fulfills current library requirements and accommodates moderate future growth. Several thousand dollars and hundreds of volunteer hours have been expended to accomplish this first step, but we all understand that the real effort is yet to come.

The next step is to obtain the funding required to make our Alsea Library a reality. The ACE Directors have stated that work on the library will not begin until the full required funds, obtained through grants, contributions, and other non-tax sources, are available or in the bank. Only after this hurdle is passed can library construction, furnishing, stocking, staffing and the dozens of other necessary activities begin. The road to our library is long and hard but the pay-off for our present and future generations is enormous! ACE is the only legally constituted organization in the Alsea area that can provide the leadership, direction and authority to make all this happen. Thank you for supporting this important effort.

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

The advisory vote ask for in measure 02-02 affects only the location of a new library building, either in the Town (Community) of Alsea or out of town on farmland zoned EFU.

Don't let the bias of the question confuse the issue, a new library building will be built, if the funds to defray the cost can be raised by donations, grants and contributions. The only question this vote addresses is where.

Please note the use of the word "Community" to mean the Town of Alsea

There are enough lots for sale within the Town of Alsea that locating the library building in the town need not restrict the building size, parking or landscaping, contrary to the matter as stated in the summary.

Our committee asks for a NO vote on this measure. A NO vote may, in fact, advance the date on which a new library building can be completed. The process of gaining approval for a library within the Town of Alsea should be much less time consuming than the process of gaining approval of a site on EFU land, with all of the hearings and delays that are a part of that process, with no assurance of success.

We ask you to consider the increased danger that students that go to the library and then go to the store will be exposed to in walking along the shoulder of the highway. Whether you consider that increase to be mild or severe, why increase that danger any, by building in that out of town location?

Due to the word limitation of arguments, our committee is unable to have published in the voters pamphlet all of the information that we would like to present. Call our Treasurer if you want more information.

(This information furnished by George Spears)

(This information furnished by the Alsea Committee for a Safe and Sensible Library Building, Fred Hendrix, Treasurer)

City of Adair Village

Measure No. 02-03 | Measure No. 02-04

BALLOT TITLE

GENERAL OBLIGATION WATER BOND REFINANCING AUTHORIZATION

QUESTION: Shall the City be authorized to contract a general obligation bonded indebtedness in an amount not to exceed \$340,000? If the Bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of Section 11 and 11b of Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY: A "yes" vote on this measure is a vote to increase taxes. This measure authorizes issuance of general obligation bonds of not to exceed \$340,000, to refinance its Water Revenue Bond, Series 1997; and pay all costs. Bonds would mature over a period of not to exceed 17 years. The total projected estimated cost of the Bonds, principal and interest, assuming serial Bonds with a final maturity in 17 years at an average annual estimated interest rate of 5.92% would be \$522,468. The revenue (the average annual tax levy) is estimated to be \$30,734 annually. The estimated property tax rate, based on the foregoing assumptions, would be \$1.91 per \$1000 of assessed value.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Measure 02-03 is the result of the City Council resolution in support of submitting to the voters of the City of Adair Village the question of contracting a General Obligation Bonded Indebtedness in the amount of not to exceed \$340,000, to refinance its 1997 Water Revenue Bonds.

The measure would supplant or supplement, with property taxes, the existing monthly water charges necessary to make the loan payments for the 1997 bonded debt. This debt is now paid solely through user fees as part of the monthly water bill.

The General Obligation Bond provides an alternate means of paying the debt, while allowing for specific tax benefits not available under the rate schedule. It is expected that the anticipated tax rate provided would be reduced via a rate analysis that would take into account tax exempt properties within the City and consumers outside the City of Adair Village.

BALLOT TITLE

GENERAL OBLIGATION WASTEWATER BOND REFINANCING AUTHORIZATION

QUESTION: Shall the City be authorized to contract a general obligation bonded indebtedness in an amount not to exceed \$275,000? If the Bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of Section 11 and 11b of Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY: A "yes" vote on this measure is a vote to increase taxes. This measure authorizes issuance of general obligation bonds of not to exceed \$275,000, to refinance its Wastewater Revenue Bonds, Series 1997; and pay all costs. Bonds would mature over a period of not to exceed 17 years. The total projected estimated cost of the Bonds, principal and interest, assuming serial Bonds with a final maturity in 17 years at an average annual estimated interest rate of 5.92% would be \$420,518. The revenue (the average annual tax levy) is estimated to be \$25,336 annually. The estimated property tax rate, based on the foregoing assumptions, would be \$1.57 per \$1000 of assessed value.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Measure 02-04 is the result of the City Council resolution in support of submitting to the voters of the City of Adair Village the question of contracting a General Obligation Bonded Indebtedness in the amount of not to exceed \$275,000, to refinance its 1997 Water Revenue Bonds.

The measure would supplant or supplement, with property taxes, the existing monthly wastewater charges necessary to make the debt payments. This debt is now paid primarily through user fees as part of the monthly wastewater bill.

The General Obligation Bond provides an alternate means of paying the debt, while allowing for specific tax benefits not available under the rate schedule. It is expected that the anticipated tax rate would be reduced via a rate analysis that would take into account tax exempt properties inside the City of Adair.

(Submitted by the City of Adair Village)

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

(Submitted by the City of Adair Village)

Measure No. 22-94

BALLOT TITLE

AUTHORIZING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR A COMMUNITY FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER

QUESTION: SHALL THE CITY BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS NOT EXCEEDING \$7,200,000 FOR A COMMUNITY FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER?

SUMMARY: A "YES" VOTE ON THIS MEASURE IS A VOTE TO INCREASE TAXES. THE TOTAL COST OF THE BONDS IS ESTIMATED AS: PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS \$7,200,000, INTEREST PAYMENTS \$5,521,000, AND COST OF ISSUANCE AND BOND ADMINISTRATION \$150,000 TO BE PAID PRIMARILY FROM BOND PROCEEDS. THE CITY ESTIMATES THAT ON AVERAGE THIS MEASURE WOULD RAISE ANNUAL TAX REVENUES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$531,000. THIS AMOUNT REPRESENTS THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT COLLECTED TO PAY PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

THIS MEASURE WOULD PROVIDE FUNDS TO ACQUIRE LAND AND CONSTRUCT, EQUIP AND FURNISH A COMMUNITY FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER FOR RECREATIONAL USE BY ALL AGES INCLUDING PARKING LOTS, UTILITIES, STREET IMPROVEMENTS, PERMITS, AND RELATED SITE IMPROVEMENTS; AND PAY BOND ISSUANCE COSTS. THE PROPOSED SITE WOULD ALSO PROVIDE LAND FOR A FUTURE LIBRARY.

THE ESTIMATED TAX RATE TO PAY AVERAGE ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE IS \$.35 per \$1,000 OF ASSESSED VALUE. THE BONDS WOULD MATURE IN 20 YEARS OR LESS.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

What would the bond measure buy?

\$2million would buy the land, including property that may be used for a future library.

\$4 million would build the Albany Family Aquatic Center.

\$200,000 would pay for bonding costs.

Where would the Albany Family Aquatic Center be located?

The 7-acre site is located south of Ninth Avenue, east of Oak Street, immediately adjacent to a new 12 acre baseball/soccer complex the Boys and Girls Club is building. The Council has determined that the site is the last large parcel of vacant land at the geographic center of Albany. Close proximity to the Periwinkle Bike Path provides access from serveral Albany neighborhoods by bike or on foot.

What is a family aquatic center?

A family aquatic center provides a place for people of all ages to swim and play in the water. The Albany Family Aquatic Center would include:

- Approximately 14,000 square feet of pool surface area.
- 150 lineal feet of beach-like access, with shallow water for wading, sitting or splashing.
- Assorted interactive water features where users can open and close valves to change water flow, walk through geyser, and under waterfalls.
- A multi-flume slide where up to four small children can slide into

the water all at once.

- A waterside tower with two long winding waterslides.
- A multi-purpose swimming area.
- Food concessions.
- · Parking for cars and bicycles.

The Family Aquatic Center would be in a park-like setting with grass sunbathing areas, a sand volleyball court, group picnic shelters, and large shade canopies both in and out of the water.

What if the Bond Measure fails?

Without voter approval, the City does not have money to buy the property, build the aquatic center, or provide Albany residents with a large public outdoor pool. The property proposed for the Family Aquatic Center may not be available in the future.

Why not replace Swanson Pool?

Swanson Pool was built in 1938 and was expected to last about 30 years. Now, 62 years later, Swanson Pool has failed and needs to be completely replaced. Meanwhile, Albany has grown substantially. Swanson Pool, when new, could accommodate up to 120 users at one time. The proposed family aquatic center would serve up to 1,200 people at one time or 3% of Albany's current population.

Swanson Park is a small neighborhood park and has very little space available for parking or to expand the pool facilities.

How would the bond measure affect property taxes?

The bond measure is expected to cost the owner of a \$100,000 home about \$35 per year in property taxes over a 20-year period, or about \$3 a month.

(Submitted by Dave Clark, Parks & Recreation Director)

Measure No. 22-95

BALLOT TITLE

AUTHORIZING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS

QUESTION: SHALL THE CITY BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING \$10,000,000 FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS?

SUMMARY: A "YES" VOTE ON THIS MEASURE IS A VOTE TO INCREASE TAXES. THE TOTAL COST OF THE BONDS IS ESTIMATED AS: PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS \$10,000,000, INTEREST PAYMENTS \$7,689,000 AND COST OF ISSUANCE AND BOND ADMINISTRATION \$150,000 TO BE PAID PRIMARILY FROM BOND PROCEEDS. THE CITY ESTIMATES THAT ON AVERAGE THIS MEASURE WOULD RAISE ANNUAL TAX REVENUES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$737,000. THIS AMOUNT REPRESENTS THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT COLLECTED TO PAY PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

THIS MEASURE WOULD FINANCE THE COSTS OF CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR TRANSPORTATION, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PROPERTY ACQUISITION AND THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE FOLLOWING STREETS WITH APPROPRIATE SUPPORT FACILITIES: HILL STREET - 9th Avenue to 34th Avenue; 5th AVENUE - EIm Street to Washington Street; NORTH ALBANY ROAD - Highway 20 to the railroad tracks; OAK STREET - 9th Avenue to Queen Ave AND PAY ISSUANCE COSTS. THE ESTIMATED TAX RATE TO PAY AVERAGE ANNUAL DEBT SERVICE IS \$.49 PER \$1,000 OF ASSESSED VALUE. THE BONDS WOULD MATURE IN 20 YEARS OR LESS.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

What are the proposed projects?

- Hill Street from Ninth Avenue to 34th Avenue.
- North Albany Road from Highway 20 to the railroad tracks.
- Fifth Avenue from Elm Street to Washington Street.
- Oak Street from Ninth Avenue to Queen Avenue.

Why did the City choose these streets?

- The City Council determined that these streets are important routes through Albany. All four are in poor condition, and need to be rebuilt and in some cases expanded to improve traffic flow.
- In the spring of 1998, the City Council surveyed Albany residents to ask them for a list of streets that most needed to be improved. In November of that year, voters approved a bond measure of \$9.85 million to rebuild the first four streets on that list Salem Avenue, Elm Street, Santiam Road and 34th Avenue. This new bond measure would continue rebuilding more streets on that list.

How much would it cost?

If voters approved the bonds, they would be sold later this year and property owners would begin paying taxes on the bonds next fall. The tax rate for the bonds is estimated at 49 cents per thousand dollars of assessed value. Homes assessed at \$100,000 would pay \$49 per year over the 20-year life of the bonds, or about \$4 a month, for example. Because of Ballot Measure 50, your home's assessed value is likely less than its market value. Also, unless you make substantial improvements, your home's

assessed value can only increase a maximum of 3 percent per year.

Can the streets be fixed without a bond measure?

Albany has less than half the money required each year to do routine maintenance on our streets. Funding for the street system comes largely from the state gasoline tax, which has been fixed for many years, unlike gas prices, and continues to erode with inflation. Some money from the General Fund has been used to help close the gap in street maintenance funding. Because of other General Fund needs, no additional General Fund money is available for street reconstruction.

What if the bond measure fails?

The City has no other sources of money for rebuilding poor quality streets. The City Engineer has determined these four streets need to be completely rebuilt. Some limited funding is being added to the North Albany Road and Hill Street Projects from systems development charges and the gas tax capital fund. However, if this bond measure were not approved, the projects would be greatly reduced or delayed indefinitely.

New development pays a fee for future streets, but those funds cannot be used to fix existing deteriorated streets. The City Council has not identified any other funding source for major street reconstruction.

(Submitted by Floyd Collins, Public Works Director)

Measure No. 22-96

BALLOT TITLE

FIVE-YEAR OPERATING LOCAL OPTION TAX

QUESTION: SHALL THE CITY OF ALBANY IMPOSE \$.64 PER \$1,000 ASSESSED VALUE TO MAINTAIN SERVICES BEGINNING 2001-2002 FOR FIVE YEARS?

SUMMARY: A "YES" VOTE ON THIS MEASURE IS A VOTE TO INCREASE TAXES. THE ADDITIONAL TAX REVENUE WILL BE USED TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE GENERAL OPERATION OF THE CITY, INCLUDING, STREET MAINTENANCE, FIRE/AMBULANCE AND POLICE SERVICES, LIBRARY OPERATING HOURS, PARKS AND RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS, AND STREET LIGHTING.

A RATE OF \$.64 PER \$1,000 OF ASSESSED VALUE IS ESTIMATED TO RAISE \$1,225,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2001-2002, \$1,262,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003, \$1,300,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004, \$1,338,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2004-2005, AND \$1,378,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006, OR A TOTAL OF \$6,503,000 OVER FIVE YEARS. THE ESTIMATED TAX COST FOR THIS MEASURE IS AN ESTIMATE ONLY BASED ON THE BEST INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM THE COUNTY ASSESSORS OF LINN AND BENTON COUNTIES ATTHETIME OF THE ESTIMATE.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Background:

Over the past several years, property tax limitations have restricted the use of property tax revenues for City operations. Since revenues have been restricted, the City has used diminishing reserves to continue these programs.

State ballot measures have limited property taxes revenues to a 3 percent increase each year, plus taxes generated by new construction and growth in assessed value. Growth in other revenues, which support general operating departments, is less than 3 percent.

All City departments are experiencing an increasing workload and requests for services because of growth in the community. Inflation makes balancing the budget difficult as well.

The City's cash balance at the end of fiscal 1998-1999 was lower than anticipated, and each department made mid-year adjustments to reduce planned spending to avoid a deficit for 1999-2000 fiscal year. The City's 2000-2001 General Fund Budget has been balanced by reductions in most City departments, contingency funds, and capital projects and by reducing contributions to reserves that were created for equipment replacement, and building maintenance. The Parks & Recreation contingency has been reduced significantly as well.

The City conducted a community survey in May 2000 to determine which City services Albany residents consider important and which, if any, they would pay more to support. This local option tax levy reflects those survey results.

How will this affect my taxes?

The City would levy 64 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value to raise about \$1,225,000 in 2001-2002; \$1,262,000 in 2002-2003; \$1,300,000 in 2003-04; and \$1,338,000 in 2004-05 and \$1,378,000 in 2005-2006, or a total of \$6,503,000 over five years. The measure is expected to cost the owner of a \$100,000 home

an additional \$64 in taxes per year, or about \$5.33 per month.

The money would go to street maintenance programs, including pothole repairs, slurry sealing and thin overlays; street lighting costs; maintain current staff in the police and fire/ambulance services; keep the Albany Public Library open evenings and Sundays; and continue many park and recreation activities.

What if the levy fails?

The City Council would face some difficult decisions. This year's General Fund and Parks & Recreation budgets total just over \$18.3 million. Of the total, the Police Department is allocated \$5.79 million; Fire, \$4.16 million; Parks & Recreation, \$3.04 million and Library, \$1.25 million. With \$1.2 million less in the next year, many city services would likely be cut back.

The Council and Budget Committee will meet shortly after the first of the year to work on the 2001-2002 budget. The first task will be to carefully analyze the combined effects of the City ballot measures and statewide funding initiatives. If reductions in service are required, the Council has expressed the intention to give priority to public safety and protecting property. However, if the operating levy fails, reductions are likely in all departments.

(Submitted by Ken Thompson, Assistant City Manager)

City of Corvallis

Measure No. 22-97

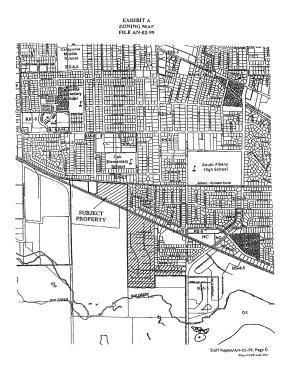
Measure No. 02-94

BALLOT TITLE

A MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY ADJOINING MORAGA AVENUE

QUESTION: SHALL THE 12.55-ACRE PROPERTY ADJOINING MORAGA AVENUE BE ANNEXED?

SUMMARY: APPROVAL OF THIS MEASURE WOULD ANNEX APPROXIMATELY 12.55 ACRES TO THE CITY OF ALBANY. THE PROPERTY TO BE ANNEXED IS GENERALLY LOCATED WEST OF MORAGA AVENUE, NORTH OF THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY, AND SOUTH OF THE ALBANY-SANTIAM CANAL. UPON ANNEXATION, THE PROPERTY WOULD BE ZONED RS-6.5 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL).



EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Albany City Council has referred to the Albany voters the question of annexation for the property located west of Moraga Avenue, between the Albany-Santiam Canal and the Union Pacific Railroad right-of-way; a 12.55-acre portion of a 122-acre parcel. The parcel is currently an undeveloped grass field.

The property owner has requested annexation in order to market the property for sale. If annexed, the property would come into the City zoned RS-6.5 (Residential Single Family). Funding for the public infrastructure needed to serve this parcel upon development will be the sole responsibility of the property owner. The current owner of the property has no development plans at this time.

(Submitted by Mike Leopard, Engineering Technician IV)

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

BALLOT TITLE

CITY OF CORVALLIS BONDS FOR OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION

QUESTION: Shall the City issue \$7,900,000 in General Obligation bonds to acquire land for natural areas, habitat protection, and recreational opportunities?

SUMMARY: A "yes" vote on this measure is a vote to increase taxes. Bond proceeds for approximate acreage:

- Caldwell 33 acres wooded corridor along Marys River, south Corvallis
- Frager 35 acres containing oak woodlands, recreational access, west Corvallis.
- Herbert 221 acres streamside habitat; confluence Marys River/Muddy Creek, south Corvallis; joint purchase with Trust for Public Land.
- Owens Farm -113 acres containing oak woodlands and open fields; scenic northern gateway into Corvallis; remaining 152 acres purchased by Good Samaritan Hospital and Greenbelt Land Trust.
- Timberhill 47 acres abutting Chip Ross Park, provides recreational access, north Corvallis.

Land owners are willing sellers. Land costs based upon appraisals and negotiations. Purchases will not block development.

Bonds finance acquisition costs and access improvements. Bonds reduced if land is not acquired. Lands purchased by City will remain open space in perpetuity.

Estimated tax rate is 25¢ per \$1,000 of assessed value; a \$37.50 tax increase for a \$150,000 home. The projected total cost of 20 year bonds, including interest, is \$14,000,000. Measure projected to produce \$700,000 annually to pay bonds.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Measure 02-94 allows City of Corvallis to purchase five properties, totally approximately 450 acres for open space. Purpose of acquisition to preserve, enhance and protect stream areas, wetlands, oak savannahs, and provide passive recreation opportunities. Properties selected using criteria established by the citizen-based Open Space Advisory Commission. Properties to be kept in open space for perpetuity. Descriptions of parcels follow:

Caldwell (33 acres):

- Property is a stream side area and flood plain.
- Property runs adjacent to the Marys River and wetlands that contains flood plains ideal for wildlife habitat.
- Property provides opportunities for passive and educational recreation including birdwatching and plant identification.

Frager (35 acres):

- The majority of the property contains native oak woodlands and mixed conifer forest.
- Property can support trails for passive recreation and wildlife viewing.

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Herbert (221 acres):

- Property is farmland with native oak groves, a diversity of plant communities, and approximately one mile of Marys River and Muddy Creek frontage.
- Confluence of the Marys River and Muddy Creek converge on property offering a diversity of wildlife habitat and plant communities.
- Views to the surrounding countryside, the Marys River, Marys Peak, and Dimple Hill.

Owens Farm (113 acres):

- Portions of the property are flood plains of Jackson and Frazier Creeks. Property contains wetlands, offering a refuge for bird and aquatic wildlife.
- Approximately 18% of site is oak groves.
- Gateway views to the surrounding countryside and City

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Open Space for a Livable Corvallis!

We strongly support the acquisition of open space. **Vote YES** on **Measure 02-94** to guarantee that the selected properties—450 acres of our most treasured open spaces—remain that way forever!

Why do we need open space in Corvallis?

1. Protect habitat for native plants and animals:

The five properties in this measure contain precious wetlands, riparian woodlands, oak savannas, and open meadows. Native plants and animals dependent on these habitats are rapidly losing out to development in Corvallis and the Willamette Valley. Vote YES to save habitat!

2. Maintain water quality and lessen the impact of flooding:

Each property has wetlands or streamside woodlands that filter pollution, capture runoff, and release stormwater slowly. These features are important for water quality and for protecting flood-prone neighborhoods along Dixon, Oak, Jackson, and Frazier Creeks and the Marys River.

3. Provide recreation:

Open space in Corvallis will provide all citizens—not just a privileged few—with accessible and equitable opportunities for recreation. Three properties are serviced by bus routes and bike lanes and are within walking distance of local neighborhoods. Having open space in the city makes it possible for people to walk or bike to these areas, thus reducing our reliance on automobiles.

4. Preserve viewsheds:

The hills and fields surrounding Corvallis give our community a sense of serenity and comfort. Preserve scenic viewsheds by passing the bond measure.

5. For community well being:

A community that cares for its land is one that cares for its people. Open space will enhance the livability of our town. It will make Corvallis an attractive place for new and sustainable businesses, and encourage the development of more compact, affordable housing.

Let's create a legacy to be proud of -

Vote YES on Measure 02-94!

Corvallis Environmental Center
Conservation Committee – Audubon Society of Corvallis
Native Plant Society of Oregon – Corvallis Chapter
Oregon Clean Water Coalition

(Submitted by the City of Corvallis)

NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

(This information furnished by Corvallis Environmental Center)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

The Greenbelt Land Trust Board of Directors urges you to Vote YES on Measure 02-94! Passage of this bond measure will secure the purchase of almost 450 acres of diverse natural areas throughout the Corvallis community. Don't let this moment slip past us!

Purchase of these properties preserves streams and wetlands to maintain and improve water quality, protects important fish and wildlife habitat and provides natural areas and recreational lands near neighborhoods.

Inclusion of these lands into our community builds upon the Corvallistradition of integrating open space into the fabric of our community. For over 10 years the Greenbelt Land Trust has worked with the Corvallis community to enhance our city's livability through the purchase of open space.

The Greenbelt is committed to raising an additional \$ 1.1 million in donations from our 600 members and other community members to go toward purchase and maintenance of open space. This combination of private and public bond dollars will secure protection of some of the most recognized and important lands in our community. These lands will be accessible to all residents. Working together allows us to achieve much more than either the City or the Greenbelt could achieve alone.

Now is an excellent time to build upon what we have and add properties similar to Bald Hill Park and Chip Ross Park. Community open spaces provide access to the natural world, protect important habitats and serve as a place of rest, relaxation and recreation for everyone regardless of income level or place of residence.

Healthy communities are nurtured and sustained within their natural settings. These settings help to define our community's identity and sustain its sense of place.

We urge you to vote YES on Measure 02-94!

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Preserve It Now -or- Lose it Forever

We can't create more open spaces than we have now, we can only preserve them or lose them forever! Many Northwest communities are rapidly losing their natural assets. Corvallis has a chance to maintain a balance of amenities and opportunities that will keep our community a desirable place to live, work, and learn.

This is our last chance to preserve Corvallis' most outstanding feature - urban living within natural surroundings. Only minutes from our front doors young, old, rich, or poor can walk hillsides and meadows, enjoy streams, and view wildlife. Generations of Corvallis residents have worked and played in these open spaces. Their stories, whether Native Americans, pioneers, farmers, ranchers, or loggers, take place in natural outdoor places. Your decision on Measure 02-94 will determine if we preserve this heritage or lose it forever.

What about the cost?

For under \$40/year to the average homeowner, we can continue to live with natural beauty as part of the Corvallis life. Measure 02-94 is the product of five years of careful planning and citizen input. The lands selected meet rigorous criteria for over-all cost effectiveness such as 1) buying land from willing sellers, 2) choosing land that would not be used for affordable housing, and 3) assuring the land contains important natural features. Ironically, if these lands are not preserved, they may cost the taxpayer more in the long run for city services, utilities, and flood controls.

As open spaces become rarer, they become more expensive. We will never again be able to find or afford these open spaces. Measure 02-94 is an excellent value.

Preserve what is irreplaceable!

The Friends of Timberhill Meadows is a coalition of individuals, and conservation and recreation groups from throughout the city. Join with us in voting YES for Corvallis Open Space!

Very Sincerely,

Erik Osborn

For

The Friends of Timberhill Meadows

(This information submitted by Greenbelt Land Trust Board of Directors)

(This information furnished by The Friends of Timberhill Meadows)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Open space and recreation areas protect the natural character and livability of a community.

Citizens For Preserving the Frager Property as a City Open Space Park urge a **YES** vote on the City of Corvallis' Open Space Bond Measure on November 7.

All of the recommended properties in the Corvallis Open Space Bond Measure: Owens Farm, Timberhill-Chip Ross Park Extension, Frager, Caldwell South Farm, and Herbert Farm are cherished by Corvallis residents for many reasons.

For instance, five times in the past 25 years citizens have voted to defeat development on the Frager Property. Now citizens have an opportunity to preserve a portion of it.

- The proposed Frager park land provides a scenic open space park in West Corvallis that is accessible to the community by walking or biking.
- The 35-acre Frager parcel is uniquely beautiful, containing native oak woodlands and mature Douglas fir forest.
- As more development occurs, this property will become invaluable as a large inner city open space park since it will connect to Woodland Meadow Park at Witham Hill.

Three areas: Timberhill, Frager, and Owens Farm are currently under development pressure. Saving these beautiful areas can only be done now. This is the time to preserve all of the city's proposed open space properties for future generations.

PLEASE VOTE **YES** FOR THE CORVALLIS OPEN SPACE BOND MEASURE **02-94** ON NOVEMBER 7.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Open Space Is Good For Corvallis Business!

People visiting from out of town marvel at the ready accessibility of our open space. We don't have to spend much time or energy getting to a place from which to enjoy a view, a quiet walk, or other form of recreation.

These five open spaces, spread amongst a variety of Corvallis neighborhoods, will benefit all our neighbors.

Easily accessible open space encourages people to use it.

A community that is vibrant and healthy will attract and support a wide variety of business opportunities.

As our community grows, we need to show foresight in setting aside the more valuable resources that have made Corvallis the business opportunity that it is today.

What better investment can we make in our community than to spend our hard earned money on open space that benefits Corvallis reputation as a livable community.

Support Corvallis current and future business.

Vote YES on Measure 02-94!

(This information furnished by Citizens For Preserving The Frager Property as a City Open Space Park) (This information furnished by Michael Easter, Owner of Cyclotopia)

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ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Measure 02-94 demonstrates the very best of our community vision. It is citizen developed. It is based on public-private partnerships that enhance its benefits. It is forward thinking. A YES vote will leave a natural legacy for our community.

Measure 02-94 originates in the work of citizen volunteers on the Open Space Advisory Commission. The properties were selected by a thorough public process. First, the citizen-led Commission developed detailed review criteria to rank the value and desirability of open space lands. These criteria ranged from scenic views and recreational opportunities to habitat and water quality preservation. The Commission reviewed existing open space and park plans, and took input at a number of community forums to identify lands important to the community for protection. The Commission and City contacted numerous interested property owners. Using its review criteria, the Commission then ranked these properties, and the City Counsel selected the properties included in this measure.

Purchasing these properties will protect more than 450 acres of oak woodlands and meadows, scenic views, and streamside habitat and wetlands. These lands will provide natural areas and recreational opportunities near many neighborhoods in the city. The properties are well distributed around the community, reflecting the balanced approach of the Commission.

The City has also developed valuable partnerships with the Greenbelt Land Trust and other private parties to share the costs of open space. For example, the Greenbelt Land Trust has committed \$1.0 million toward the purchase of Owen's farm, the scenic northern gateway into Corvallis. These partnerships provide wonderful opportunities for our community.

We urge you to VOTE YES ON 02-04!!

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

<u>VOTE YES</u> on 02-94 to protect natural areas for open space and recreation for all!

This measure ensures 450 acres of significant natural areas in and near Corvallis are protected. The properties include streams, wetlands, oak hillsides, mature woodlands and meadows and:

- Preserves streams and wetlands, maintaining and improving water quality
- Protects important fish and wildlife habitat
- Provides nearby natural areas for recreation
- Preserve the distinctive natural setting of our community as Corvallis grows
- Leverages over \$1 million dollars of private funds

Since 1996 the Open Space Commission has worked on an open space program. They developed criteria and priority rankings for lands to be considered and weighed lands against these criteria. They analyzed properties and recommended only lands that met the strict criteria established.

They did everything that the City Council and citizens asked for, including:

- Only considered lands with willing sellers
- · Leveraged other funding
- Analyzed the benefit to the community of each property
- Carefully considered competing priorities
- Partnered with business interests

The City Council examined the purchase options, the Open Space Commission analysis and public testimony, and weighed the open space proposal against other community needs. They significantly reduced the amount of acreage being considered from more than 800 to the approximately 450 acres proposed.

The open space purchase will:

- Maintain the natural setting of our community
- Connect parks to open space and neighborhoods
- Realize our vision for Corvallis for the future
- Provide way to link people, places and nature

Help realize our community vision to be "an environmentally-aware community with distinctive open space and natural features, protected habitats, parks and outdoor recreation". We strongly urge you to vote YES. You may not get another chance. Once the land is gone.....

Helen Berg Betty Griffiths
Mike Beilstein Walt Schmidt
Charlie Tomlinson Tony Howell
George Grosch Patrick Peters
Tom Wogaman Ed Barlow-Pieterick

(This information furnished by Cary B. Stephens, David Zajicek, R. Charles Vars, Jr.)

(This information furnished by Corvallis City Council)

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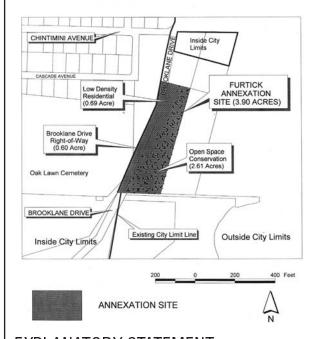
BALLOT TITLE

A MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF THE FURTICK PROPERTY

QUESTION: Shall the 3.9 - acre Furtick property, generally located east of Brooklane Drive between Chintimini Avenue and SW Kalapuya Circle, be annexed?

SUMMARY: Approval of this measure would annex approximately 3.9 acres (3.3 acres of vacant property and 0.6 acre of City-owned right-of-way on Brooklane Drive) to the City of Corvallis. The Furtick property to be annexed is primarily east of Brooklane Drive, south of Chintimini Avenue and north of SW Kalapuya Circle, and lies entirely within Benton County. Upon annexation, the property outside the City-owned right-of-way would be zoned 2.61 acres as PD/AG-OS (Agriculture - Open Space with a Planned Development overlay) and 0.69 acres as PD/RS-6 (Low Density Residential with a Planned Development overlay).

FURTICK ANNEXATION



EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The 3.9-acre property proposed for annexation is located within the Corvallis Urban Growth Boundary, generally located east of Brooklane Drive, south of Chintimini Avenue and north of SW Kalapuya Circle. Development is required to be consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan which identifies this area as a combination of Open Space - Conservation and Low Density Residential (2-6 dwelling units per acre). If annexed, the site would be zoned with 2.61 acres as PD/AG-OS (Agriculture - Open Space with a Planned Development overlay), 0.69 acres as PD/RS-6 (Low Density Residential with a Planned Development overlay), and 0.6 acre of public right-of-way.

The City's Comprehensive Plan permits open space uses and a

range of 1 to 5 residential dwelling units for this site. Over 70% of the site contains wetlands designated as open space. The annexation request included drawings to illustrate how the site could potentially be developed with a single row of residential lots. The wetlands would remain as open space with buildable areas confined to a narrow strip of uplands adjacent to Brooklane Drive. Any new development proposals will require public hearing review to assure compliance with the Comprehensive Plan policies and Land Development Code.

The eventual need to annex and develop this land was identified in 1980 when the City's Comprehensive Plan and Urban Growth Boundary were originally established. City ordinance specifies that developers will be responsible for on-site and off-site costs associated with street and utility improvements needed for land and development projects. City water and sewer facilities are located within Brooklane Drive. The City has adopted the Brooklane Drive Corridor Study providing a design for street improvements including bicycle and pedestrian facilities connecting to Brooklane Park Estates.

The most significant impacts of eventual development include potential impacts upon the wetlands, floodplain, increase population and increased traffic. The Comprehensive Plan Map designation of Open Space - Conservation on 2.61 acres of the site will limit the buildable portion of the site to 0.69 acres of Low Density Residential land. Additionally, the proposed Planned Development overlay zoning designations will require Planning Commission approval of development proposals to encourage designs compatible with the wetlands, preserve the significant vegetation and maintain water quality. The property is located in the 100-year floodplain. All future development will be required to meet special construction requirements related to flood protection and to provide street improvements to accommodate increased traffic impacts.

The City Council has found the annexation request to be consistent with the policies of the Comprehensive Plan and other City and State policies and standards.

Citizens are encouraged to become informed about the annexation request. Full copies of the project's staff reports and Planning Commission and City Council hearing minutes are available at the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library (645 NW Monroe Avenue) and at the Community Development Department at City Hall (501 SW Madison Avenue, 766-6908, E-mail: planning@ci.corvallis.or.us)

(This information submitted by the City of Corvallis)

City of Monroe

Measure No. 02-98 Measure 02-99

BALLOT TITLE

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR WATER SYSTEM

QUESTION: Shall the City be authorized to issue up to \$575,000 of general obligation bonds for water system improvements? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of Section 11 and 11b of Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY: A "yes" vote on this measure is a vote to increase taxes. This measure, (Phase I of a two phase project), will permit the City to issue up to \$575,000 in general obligation bonds to finance costs of capital construction and improvements related to a new water system. Phase I construction includes a 1,000,000 gallon reservoir, replacement of existing distribution lines and construction of a dedicated transmission line for the reservoir. The bonds will mature over forty years. The total estimated cost of the bonds, including interest estimated at 4.5% and a forty-year payment schedule, is \$1,249,900. The annual property tax levy to pay the bonds is estimated to be \$31,250. The bond cost estimate is \$1.65 per \$1,000 of assessed property value per year.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

A "yes" vote on this measure is a vote to increase taxes. Approval of this measure by the voters would allow the City of Monroe to issue up to \$575,000 in general obligation bonds to finance costs of capital construction and improvements related to a new water system. The estimated tax rate would be \$1.65 for each \$1,000 assessed property value. The bonds would be paid off with a time period not to exceed 40 years from taxes on property within the City of Monroe.

The City Council has referred this measure to the voters based upon conditions and requirements established by the Oregon Health Department's (OHD), Drinking Water Program, the Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act of 1996.

This bond measure allows the City to work in cooperation with Rural Development on a water grant to improve the water quality, supply for fire protection, and water consumption needs for the next generations. Such bonds will secure the City's portion of a 50/50 matching grant.

A "no" vote maintains the current water system and leaves the City below standards as set forth in a Mutual Agreement and Order (MAO) with OHD and DEQ to meet Federal and State requirements. Therefore, placing the City under potential Federal and State mandated service rates

The construction project calls for improvement of the current water system. These improvements have been laid out in two phases. Phase I of the project will include a \$1,000,000 gallon water tank, replacing existing distribution lines and construction of a dedicated supply line to the new water tank. Phase 2 will be evaluated based upon Phase I implementation and come at a later time if deemed necessary.

Construction is anticipated to begin in the first quarter of 2001 with voter approval of this bond measure.

(This information submitted by Aaron Palmquist, Acting City Recorder, City of Monroe)

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

BALLOT TITLE

MEASURE ADOPTING A REVISED CHARTER FOR THE CITY OF MONROE

QUESTION: Shall THE PROPOSED City of Monroe Charter 2000 be adopted?

SUMMARY: This measure proposes replacement of the 1956 City of Monroe Charter with the City of Monroe Charter of 2000. Many of the provisions contained in the 1956 charter have either become outdated or are covered by State law. The new charter does not change from the mayor/council form of city government. If approved, the new charter will take effect January 1, 2001. The charter may be amended only by a vote of the people.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The City of Monroe was incorporated in 1914. Most municipal charters of the time contained lengthy lists of specific powers and functions that a city was authorized to exercise or perform. The City of Monroe was no exception. Citizens of that time felt that a very detailed charter specification of city powers and functions afforded protection against arbitrary or unwanted actions by city officials. This practice of listing specific city powers, however, made it difficult for a city to respond to changing State laws, circumstances and needs.

Consequently, as developing cities began experiencing management difficulties because of the complexity of their old-style charters, a trend developed toward stating municipal powers in broader and more general terms. Since the 1930's more than half of Oregon cities have adopted new charters that confer municipal powers in general terms rather than by enumeration of specific charter provisions. The advantage is twofold: Individual citizens may directly participate in community government, and individual cities may acquire the flexibility to respond to changing State laws, circumstances, and needs.

The proposed City of Monroe 2000 Charter is based on the idea that the charter – the constitution of the City – should deal with the basic and broad fundamentals of community government, should be as concise as possible, and should be adaptable to changing laws and conditions and therefore not need frequent amendment.

Adoption of the proposed City of Monroe 2000 Charter will remove a lengthy list of old-style charter provisions, including specific grants of power, that have become obsolete because of State and Federal legislative acts or, simply, because the passage of time has made the provision irrelevant.

The proposed City of Monroe 2000 Charter retains the Mayor/Council form of government adopted in the City's original charter. The proposed charter describes the powers of the City, the powers and duties of its officer, the making of ordinances, and municipal court proceedings.

Adoption of the proposed City of Monroe 2000 Charter will allow the people of Monroe to join the majority of Oregon communities that seek to avail themselves of self determination in municipal affairs to the fullest extent possible.

(This information submitted by Aaron Palmquist, Acting City Recorder, City of Monroe)

City of Philomath

Measure No. 02-92

BALLOT TITLE

ORDINANCE REGULATING SMOKING IN WORKPLACES AND ENCLOSED PUBLIC PLACES

QUESTION: Shall the ordinance regulating smoking in workplaces and enclosed public places be adopted.

SUMMARY: This ordinance would prohibit smoking in all enclosed public places that are within the City, including but not limited to: elevators, restrooms, lobbies, reception areas, hallways, all forms of public transportation, retail stores, businesses, restaurants and bars. It requires all employers to provide a smoke free workplace. The ordinance excludes private residences, rented motel and hotel rooms and retail tobacco shops. The ordinance requires the posting of no smoking signs in every building and provides penalties for any violations of the ordinance.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Philomath City Council, after reviewing public testimony in March and April, 2000, has elected to place City Ordinance #684, an ordinance regulating smoking in workplaces and enclosed public places, before the voters of Philomath. The City Council exercised its right to place this matter before the Philomath electorate rather than attempt to pass this ordinance under its authority as the City Council.

This ordinance would prohibit smoking in all enclosed public places that are within the City, including but not limited to: elevators, restrooms, lobbies, reception areas, hallways, all forms of public transportation, retail stores, businesses, restaurants and bars. It requires all employers to provide a smoke free workplace. The ordinance excludes private residences, rented motel and hotel rooms and retail tobacco shops. The ordinance requires the posting of no smoking signs in every building and provides penalties for any violations of the ordinance.

A copy of the full text of Ordinance #684 is available from the City Recorder at Philomath City Hall, 980 Applegate Street.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Why You Should Vote YES on Measure 02-92

HEALTH HAZARDS FOR WORKERS DUE TO EXPOSURE TO SECONDHAND TOBACCO SMOKE

- Secondhand smoke is a serious health hazard for workers
- Secondhand smoke is the leading cause of toxic chemical exposure, causing five times more deaths than pesticide, chemicals, and hazardous waste combined
- Secondhand smoke is the number one environmental cause of cancer
- Secondhand smoke is a Group A Carcinogen, and there is no safe level of exposure
- Secondhand smoke causes heart disease, lung cancer, emphysema, and bronchitis

Nicotine, the addictive drug contained in tobacco, leads to acute increases in heart rate and blood pressure. Cigarette smoke also increases blood clotting and damages the layer of cells that line all blood vessels, including coronary arteries. In Oregon, it is estimated that 10% of the 7,000 annual tobacco-caused deaths result from exposure to secondhand smoke. The proposed ordinance in Philomath prohibiting smoking in workplaces and public places guarantees protection from secondhand smoke for both workers and the general public.

Join us in voting to make Philomath a healthier community.

Philomath Family Medicine

(This information submitted by Randy Kugler, City Manager)

NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

(This information furnished by Philomath Family Medicine)

City of Philomath

Measure No. 02-92 | Measure No. 02-93

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Vote Yes on Measure 02-92 Say NO to Big Tobacco

DO NOT BE INFLUENCED BY THE BIG TOBACCO INDUSTRY'S LIES AND DECEPTIONS.

The TOBACCO INDUSTRY has a history of outspending local community health workers to buy your vote.

The TOBACCO INDUSTRY has used this tactic very successfully in numerous communities, states, as well as the United States Congress whenever tobacco related health issues are discussed.

The TOBACCO INDUSTRY knows if they win in PHILOMATH, they are more likely to have their way in other communities in Oregon.

DO NOT LET THE TO BACCO INDUSTRY DICTATE HOW PHILO-MATH CHOOSES TO PROTECT ITS WORKERS.

CITIZENS FOR A FREE CHOICE IS A TOBACCO INDUSTRY ORGANIZATION WITH NATIONWIDE AFFILIATES.

The TOBACCO INDUSTRY wants you to think this is about the freedom to smoke in bars.

 $The TOBACCO\,INDUSTRY wants you to think this is a social issue.$

The TOBACCO INDUSTRY wants you to think this is about jobs.

The TOBACCO INDUSTRY says this is government regulation.

MAKE NO MISTAKE ABOUT IT; THE TO BACCO INDUSTRY HAS LIED TO AND DECEIVED THE AMERICAN PUBLIC FOR YEARS.

Do not let the TOBACCO INDUSTRY's profit-motivated influence jeopardize workers' health. TOBACCO SMOKE IS A TOXIC SUBSTANCEAND ALL WORKERS SHOULD BE PROTECTED, just as mine workers have mandated protection. Tobacco smoke contains numerous carcinogens and it is our responsibility to limit exposure, just as limits were set on lead in gasoline, and just as workers are protected from asbestos exposure.

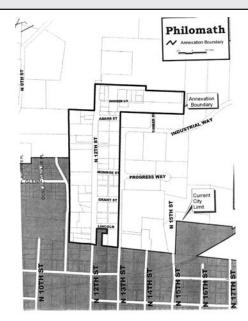
JUST SAY NO TO BIG TOBACCO MONEY VOTE YES ON MEASURE 02-92

BALLOT TITLE

A MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF THE NORTH 12TH STREET AREA

QUESTION: Shall properties located on North 12th, Lincoln, Grant, Monroe and Adams Streets and Houser Lane, be annexed?

SUMMARY: Approval of this measure would annex approximately 34 acres of land zoned R-3 to the City of Philomath. The property to be annexed generally boarders North 12th, Lincoln, Grant, Monroe and Adams Streets, as well as Houser Lane, and is generally west of North 13th Street. The parcel lies within the Philomath Urban Growth Boundary and is contiguous to the City. The City currently supplies water and/or sewer services to 54 of the 65 properties, under a delayed annexation agreement.



EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The City of Philomath is placing 65 properties before the voters for annexation to the City per the requirements of Section 11.1 of the City Charter. As a result of past health hazards due to failing septic systems, the City has extended City water and sanitary sewer service to this area with 54 of the 65 properties presently connected to City water and/or sanitary sewer service.

The area is zoned R-3, High Density Residential. However, actual development is predominantly single family dwellings. There are two duplexes and no other multi-family dwellings. There are no pending development requests that are dependent upon annexation of this area to the City.

These properties are contiguous to the City and have access to and benefit from City services, such as police, streets and parks, but do not pay any City property tax to support said services.

(This information submitted by Randy Kugler, City Manager)

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST

THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

(This information furnished by Bruce Thomson, MD, President, NW DOC (Doctor's Ought to Care)

LINN-BENTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Measure No. 22-84

BALLOT TITLE

LINN-BENTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE, GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND AUTHORIZATION

QUESTION: Shall the District be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not exceeding \$19,100,000? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY:If approved, this measure would finance capital construction and improvements, including, but not limited to, providing funds to construct and furnish a new Lebanon campus facility, construct, renovate and remodel deteriorating facilities for the Main campus, and construct, renovate and/or improve outdated facilities to benefit the Benton campus.

Bonds would also be used for site improvements, property acquisition, if necessary, and to pay bond issuance costs.

The Bonds will mature in 16 years or less.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

What is proposed? A general obligation bond not to exceed \$19,100,000. The estimated cost to repay the bond over 16 years is 21 cents per thousand of assessed value. The proposed bond, if passed, will replace an expiring bond issue that was passed by the voters in 1994. Because the per thousand repayment amount for the proposed bond is estimated to be the same as the per thousand repayment amount for the expiring bond, property taxpayers will pay approximately the same amount in annual property taxes for the college's bonded debt as they pay now.

A partial list of projects that will be funded by the proposed bond:

- *Construction of a new East Linn One Stop training and education center in Lebanon
- *Expansion of the Sweet Home Center in partnership with the Sweet Home School District
- *Construction and renovation at the existing Benton Center site in Corvallis to provide additional instructional space
- *Construction of a multipurpose classroom building on the main LBCC campus in Albany
- *Extensive renovation and reconstruction of dated facilities on the main campus; to include science labs, service facilities, electrical power systems, industrial training facilities, and others
- *Construction of replacement facilities for agricultural and animal science programs, maintenance, and printing services

Why is this being proposed? General obligation bonds are the traditional method used by community colleges to finance major capital improvements. Bonds are proposed whenever a community college must make substantial improvements in old and deteriorating facilities or has a need to construct new facilities to accommodate growth.

State general fund revenues, student tuition, and regular property tax revenues provide for the day-to-day operation of community colleges. Major capital projects require larger 'up front' resources than are typically available from these operating revenue streams.

(This information submitted by Michael Holland, Vice President, Linn-Benton Community College)

NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Linn-Benton Community College needs our help, and we can provide that help almost painlessly...

If you own a home valued at \$150,000, you currently pay about \$32 per year to support the capital expenses of Linn-Benton Community College. However, LBCC's **new** November 7, 2000 bond measure proposal is projected to **maintain annual taxes at the current rates** now paid by homeowners. How is this possible? The repayment plan for the proposed new bonds calls for payments to begin **after** the currently-in-force bonds are paid off.

Oregonians consistently rank community colleges as the best value when compared to other state services (Oregon Progress Board Population Survey 1994, 1996, 1998). The reasons for this are clear: a) community colleges provide high quality instructional programs at low cost; b) community colleges make every effort to serve every citizen who has a serious commitment to education; and c) community colleges respond quickly to the business, training, and educational needs of their communities. Linn-Benton Community College, our local community college, needs our support to continue the work so widely praised by Oregonians.

The bond proposal currently before voters will allow LBCC to significantly upgrade its facilities in Corvallis and Lebanon. College centers in both communities are old, cramped, and inadequate for the numbers of students seeking classes. Additionally, the bond measure will allow LBCC to upgrade 30-year-old main campus laboratories and classrooms. New space for instruction, meetings, conference, and offices also will be added to accommodate increasing numbers of students (LBCC's enrollment grew nearly 10% last year). Electrical, heating, and cooling systems also will be upgraded.

Again, this bond proposal is estimated to keep property tax bills at, or below, the amount taxpayers currently pay for LBCC capital expenses. This is a great bargain for our communities, our children, our future.

We urge you to vote YES on this important proposal.

(This information furnished by Tom Wogaman, Rich Wendland, Barbara Boudreaux, Marshall Johnson, Joseph Novak, Hal Brayton, Janice Horner)

Adair Rural Fire Protection District

Measure No. 02-01

BALLOT TITLE

GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND AUTHORIZATION FOR ADAIR RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

QUESTION: Shall Adair Fire District be authorized to contract general obligation bonded indebtedness in an amount not to exceed \$260,000? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of Sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY: This measure would let the district issue general obligation bonds, in the amount not to exceed \$260,000. That will mature serially over ten (10) years from issue.

Adair Rural Fire Department needs to replace its 1947 fire pumper, that is due for retirement. Recent repairs to the vehicle and the difficulty in attaining replacement parts has required the district to re-evaluate its usefulness.

The purchase of a new rescue-pumper would allow the district to take advantage of the technological advancements and the safety requirements of the National Fire Protection Association and OR-OSHA for firefighters. The rescue-pumper would carry safely 6 firefighters, twice the water, and have 9 times the storage of the 53 year old truck.

The estimated tax cost is \$.55 per \$1000 of property value or \$4.58 per month for each \$100,000 of assessed evaluation for the next 10 years. The estimated tax cost for this measure is based on the best current available information from the county tax assessor. The funds will be used for bond cost and professional fees.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Adair Rural Fire Department needs to replace its older pumper. Currently the fire department has a 1947 pumper, in-service, that is due for retirement. Recent repairs to the vehicle and the difficulty in attaining replacement parts have required the district reevaluate its usefulness.

The changes in technology and safety requirements for fire-fighters have necessitated this request to the district voters. The National Fire Protection Association and OR-OSHA require that all those persons who respond to emergencies be seat belted in and any vehicle manufactured after 1990 to be an enclosed cab. Fire department is required to have 2-firefighters in a standby rescue crew available when 2-firefighters are committed inside a hazardous atmosphere or fire. Being able to respond an adequate number of personnel to the scene on the first-in apparatus will reduce untimely delays in starting emergency operations. To better provide you with emergency response and protection for our volunteer firefighters, we need to update our district capabilities and fire apparatus.

A new rescue-pumper would be designed to protect the volunteer firefighters while enroute to the emergency and provide them with greater resources to address the problem after arrival. The rescue-pumper would safely carry 6 fully protected firefighters, with 5 of them wearing breathing apparatus, prepared to serve on arrival. The design of the old pumper is limited to 2 personnel who will have to put on breathing devices after arrival. The new rescue-pumper would carry twice the water and have 9 times the storage capacity for rescue/emergency medical equipment &

firefighting tools. The new rescue-pumper would also have 7 preconnected attack hoses, of varying sizes, to deal with a large variety of problems, compared to the 2 pre-connected hoses used on the 53 year old pumper. The new rescue pumper would also carry scene lighting for after dark emergencies and a foam water system for wildland interface & grass fires.

The rescue-pumper would have a diesel engine and an automatic transmission enabling it to better manage the hills, steep driveways and roads in our district. A new apparatus would have safety features like ABS brakes, shoulder & laprestraints, greater visibility, better maneuverability and better fuel economy.

The cost to the voters for this new rescue-pumper & equipment would be \$260,000. That is an estimated tax cost of \$.55 per \$1000 of property value or \$4.58 per month for each \$100,000 of assessed evaluation for the next 10 years.

(This information submitted by Dick Green, President, Adair Rural Fire Protection District)

Adair Rural Fire Protection District

Hoskins-Kings Valley Rural Fire Protection District

Measure No. 02-01

Measure No. 02-97

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

The members of the Adair Volunteer Firefighters Association are in favor of this measure. It will allow for the purchase of a new rescue-pumper. This rescue-pumper, which will enable six firefighters to respond in one vehicle with more water, equipment and resources for both firefighting and rescue tasks. The safety regulations required by State and Federal Agencies make it increasingly difficult for small departments like ours to provide the services demanded by the communities with the older vehicles we now have.

Most important to us is firefighter safety. Each person responding would have a seat belt and be inside of the vehicle, which is now the law

Our fire district has only asked for tax levies twice in our 25-year existence. After careful consideration and planning this measure will benefit all the families living and visiting in the community. By voting in favor of this measure we can replace 1947 technology and meet today's requirements for fire apparatus.

Repairs, maintenance time and costs would also be significantly reduced. As an example, the pump on the 1947 vehicle was damaged in 1998. Due to the age and lack of available parts, it took two years to place the truck back in service. This meant one less apparatus for emergency responses. We had to rely on our neighboring fire departments to assist in our responses. This caused delays in response time and stripped resources from neighboring communities.

We are the people who respond to your emergencies. We also live in this community and feel very strongly about the need for modernizing our department. We ask that you give careful consideration of this request to approve funding for the new rescuepumper.

BALLOT TITLE

HOSKINS-KINGS VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND AUTHORIZATION

QUESTION: Shall Hoskins-Kings Valley Rural Fire Protection District be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not exceeding \$200,000. If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of Sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY: This measure authorizes the issuance of \$200,000 of bonds to finance fire safety vehicle apparatus. Bond proceeds will be used to purchase a public safety vehicle fire apparatus and bond issuance costs.

The bonds will mature in 21 years or less from the date of issuance and may be issued in one or more series.

The estimated maximum annual tax cost of this levy is \$1.45 per \$1,000 of assessed value. A property with an assessed value of \$150,000 will pay approximately \$218 annually or, \$18 per month. The tax rate is expected to decline over the 21-year bond payment period as assessed value grows.

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 the estimate.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The community requires a public safety vehicle fire apparatus that is capable of carrying and pumping 3,000 gallons of water dependably. Currently the District's aging tender is not capable of ensuring this ability reliably.

Funds from this measure would allow the District to maintain adequate protection for the residents within the boundaries of the Hoskins-Kings Valley Fire District with the additional goal of lowering fire insurance premiums. This Measure authorizes issuance of \$200,000 of bonds to acquire a public safety vehicle fire apparatus and finance all necessary related costs.

The voters within the Fire District previously approved an increase to the tax rate which would have enabled the purchase of this 3,000 gallon water tender. Due to the approval of a subsequent statewide measure, the ability of the District to maintain an acceptable tax-rate and vehicle replacement strategy was overturned.

Local fire services are invaluable to our rural community. Passage of this Measure will meet the current and anticipated future demands for emergency service within our fire district.

The bonds will be paid off over a period of 21 years or less. The estimated average annual tax cost is \$1.45per \$1,000 of assessed value. A property with an assessed value of \$150,000 will pay approximately \$218 annually or, \$18 per month.

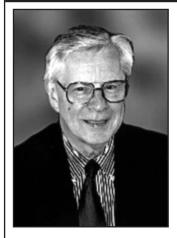
(This information submitted by Dan Hayes, Chair, Hoskins-Kings Valley Rural Fire Protection District)

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

(This information furnished by the Adair Volunteer Firefighters' Association)

Commissioner, Position 2

Commissioner, Position 2



JAY DIXON

DEMOCRAT

OCCUPATION: Co-owner, Corvallis Hardware OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Senior Officer, major banks; Chief Operating Officer, security firm; Director, Washington State Criminal Justice Education and Training Center; Law Enforcement Consultant, Office of the Governor, Washington State; Lieutenant, Seattle Police Department; Community College Instructor

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: BS, University of San

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Board member, Corvallis School District; Chair, Corvallis Budget Commission; Chair, Community Policing Forum; Chair, Willamette Criminal Justice Council; Chair, Benton County Corrections Task Force; Vicechair, Benton County Corrections Steering Committee; Board member, Oregon Region 4 Workforce Development Board; Member, Corvallis Transportation Alternative Advisory Commit-

Jay Dixon is a natural leader with an innate ability to bring people to consensus"

--District Attorney Scott Heiser

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP:

Chair. Corvallis Kids Count!

President, Corvallis Area Chamber of Commerce

Board of Directors – Plain Talk, Greater Corvallis Rotary, Heart-land Humane Society, Cascades West Financial Services Campaign Cabinet, United Way of Benton County

Member - OSU Business Alliance, OSU Austin Family Business Program Advisory Committee, OSU Professional Management Institute Advisory Committee, West Central SMART Advisory Committee

"Jay Dixon has the leadership experience and institutional knowledge that we need as County Commissioner."

-- Stan Robson, Benton County Sheriff

"Jay Dixon is a tireless community volunteer with a reputation for common sense, fairness, integrity, and getting things done."

-- Carol Lee Woodstock, Local Business Owner

AS COMMISSIONER, JAY DIXON WILL WORK TO:

Pursue long-term economic stability that results in family wage jobs

Fix our roads and develop a regional transportation system Focus on affordable housing for Benton County residents Create a citizen-driven vision for our County

Increase youth activities for low-income families

Create collaboration across jurisdictions for a strong County government

"Jay Dixon has demonstrated his commitment to our community by active participation in problem-solving ranging from children's needs to strengthening our justice system'

-- Commissioner Linda Modrell

Jay Dixon is a community leader who listens and learns. He has earned our support."

-- State Senator Cliff Trow

(This information furnished by Dixon for Commissioner Committee)



DON **GIST**

REPUBLICAN

OCCUPATION: Business Owner, Self Employed

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: 35 years sales and management

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: The Dalles High School Graduate; 1959. U.S. Navy; NATTC Electronics School - Air crew

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: City Councilman, Planning Commission Philomath committees, budget, traffic safety, public works, parks, comprehensive plan review, strategic plan, Community Response Team, Library Siting Committee, Library (building) Steering Committee, Library Fund Raising Committee, Retail Beautification Action Team. West Corvallis Task Force.

PERSONAL: Don is a 5th generation Oregonian, married for 39 yrs. to his high school sweetheart, De. His children and grandchildren live in Benton County. Don returned to Corvallis in 1968 and has been active in the community since being elected president of the Corvallis Jaycees in 1970. He has been involved in scouting, YMCA, and served 10 years on the board of the Corvallis HBA. Don and his wife enjoyed bowling for many years in several leagues, and are proud to be long time members of the Elks, and the Moose Lodge. Don and family moved to rural Benton County in 1980. After farming for a few years. Don moved into the City of Philomath and opened donde's floorcovering in 1985. Don has served 5 years as a City Councilman, followed by nearly 10 years on the planning commission. Don was the Charter President of the Philomath 2000 project, and has been an active member through the change of focus to the Philomath Community Foundation.

Don Gist will ensure that we maintain and improve our quality of life in Benton County, and involve more citizens in our services and programs. Expanding the membership on our advisory committees, utilizing their input, and recognizing their achievements will be a primary focus during his term(s) as a county commission-

Don Gist as county commissioner will represent the citizens in a positive and professional manner.

Don Gist will balance citizens concerns, staff recommendations, and use good judgement to make decisions for the policies and services of Benton County

Don Gist will be responsible and accountable to the citizens who elected him to serve and represent them

Don Gist will balance growth, development, and quality of life when voting on issues

Don asks for your vote, and pledges to always be open, honest, and available when his services are needed. This position is a non-partisan office and he considers it to be a priviledge to be a commissioner for all the citizens of Benton County.

(This information furnished by Don Gist for Commissioner)

Commissioner, Position 2

Commissioner, Position 3



MIKE BEILSTEIN

PACIFIC GREEN

OCCUPATION: Chemist

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Nutrition research at Oregon State University, 1978-2000

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: MA (nutrition), OSU 1991; BA (biochemistry), OSU, 1973

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Corvallis City Council, 1999-2000

As Benton County Commissioner I will work to build a community that is a better place for <u>all</u> residents; and help create a physical, social and economic environment that is healthy and sustaining for the next generation.

One of our greatest challenges is the commuter system that developed without planning or intention over the last 25 years. More than 10,000 single occupant vehicles drive into Corvallis each day and return at night to homes in North Albany, Philomath, Monroe, Linn County, and beyond. We are all paying for this commuter culture through road maintenance costs, depletion of natural resources, air and water pollution and a disappearing sense of community.

My experience in Corvallis city government has made me keenly aware of the impact cities have on the environments where people live and work.

As Commissioner I will cooperate with citizens, businesses, city governments and other public institutions to create:

- Regional transit solutions to conveniently move people between homes and employment centers;
- Affordable housing within cities to efficiently and sustainably provide water, sewer, transportation and employment services:
- > Preservation of rural agricultural and forest land;
- > Economic development for living wage jobs;
- Citizen oriented law enforcement with community policing standards and civilian oversight;
- Sensitive and responsible provision of services to rural and urban citizens.

The Pacific Green Party is a grassroots organization founded on the principles of economic justice and environmental stewardship. We actively promote democratic participation in creating the world we want our children to live in. Please join me in developing and implementing that vision for Benton County.

Mike Beilstein's candidacy is endorsed by:

The Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) Division 757, and Oregon Public Employees Union - Service Employees International Union

(OPEU-SEIU) Local 503.

(This information furnished by Citizens for Mike Beilstein)



ANNABELLE JARAMILLO

DEMOCRAT

OCCUPATION: Citizens' Representative for Governor Kitzhaber OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: research botanist; development director; civil rights advocate; teacher; diversity, motivation, employment and computer trainer

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: B.S., M.S. - Biology, Portland State University

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Corvallis/Benton County Library Funding Task Force; Philomath Community Response Team; National Environmental Justice Advisory Committee - EPA; US Forest Service; Public Safety Work Group; Treasurer Hill's Women's Economic Security Conference

"Annabelle Jaramillo brings people together to solve problems."

Congressman Peter DeFazio

Annabelle Jaramillo... A Vision for Our Community

"Only by working together, only by a willingness to find common ground, will we find answers to the issues facing county government. I've spent my life working with members of this community to solve problems. Now I want to put that experience to work on our county commission."

Annabelle Jaramillo

Annabelle Jaramillo... Experienced on Issues That Matter

- Citizens Representative for Governor Kitzhaber
- Oregon Long Term Health Insurance Project
- Benton County Environmental Issues Advisory Committee
- Governor Vic Átiyeh's Education Mission

Annabelle Jaramillo...Education, Health Care, Safe Communities

"Whether its finding ways to help our schools, fixing our transportation problems, making sure we have clean air and water, or reducing the costs of prescription drugs for senior citizens, we must work together to find solutions. That's my pledge to you as your next County Commissioner."

Annabelle Jaramillo...Endorsed by the People You Trust

"Annabelle Jaramillo will be an excellent steward of county government. You can count on her to listen to everyone's point of view!"

Representative Barbara Ross

"Annabelle Jaramillo has helped others gain access to government. She has worked to end violence; she has worked to protect everyone's basic rights."

Senator Cliff Trow

"Annabelle Jaramillo has always been there for the state of Oregon and for Benton County. As Oregon's Citizens' Representative, she knows how to solve problems...That's what Benton County needs... problem solvers".

Governor John Kitzhaber

VOTE ANNABELLE JARAMILLO FOR BENTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER!

(This information furnished by Jaramillo for Commissioner Committee)

City of Corvallis

Commissioner, Position 3

City Council, Ward 2



CAROLYN OAKLEY

REPUBLICAN

OCCUPATION: Small business owner, farmer.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Teacher, legislator, farm implement dealer.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Oregon State University, BS; graduate work in Education OSU.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: State Representative (1989-1999) Chair, North Albany Service District.

CAROLYN OAKLEY.....WORKING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

The next four years bring critical challenges in law enforcement, land use, and human services. We need to improve our planning efforts to meet the needs of our expanding county. Meeting these challenges will take experience and dedication. I will work with you to find lasting solutions.

CAROLYN OAKLEY CREATING A VISION

I'm dedicated to making Benton County a better place to live. We need to strive for effective partnerships with our schools, cities, and state. Our new jail must serve the needs of the community in a cost efficient manner. County business must be conducted openly and commissioners must be accountable to you the citizens of Benton County.

CAROLYN OAKLEY.....A COMMITMENT TO OUR COMMUNITY

I have the knowledge and experience to work within state government to influence decisions that impact our county. As an Oregon legislator, I secured funding for OSU's School of Veterinary Medicine. Health care was improved through the passage of the "Patient Protection Act." Our universities receive \$25 million dollars each biennium for salary increases, and program enhancements with the "Higher Education Efficiency Act."

CAROLYN OAKLEY.....PROVEN LEADERSHIP

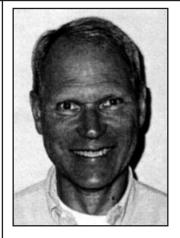
Oregon legislator, business owner, LBCC Foundation Board, Boys and Girls Club Board, Linn-Benton Women for Agriculture, Historic Tour Committee, Hospital Auxiliary, Linn-Benton Salvation Army Board, STRIDE Leadership Round Table, Chamber of Commerce Board, Criminal Justice Council, Linn-Benton Business Education Compact.

CAROLYN OAKLEY.....LET'S WORK TOGETHER

I will make Benton County government more efficient and responsive. I will listen to the people who use county services and to the employees that deliver those services. I will work to simplify county government and make it more user friendly. It is your government!

ELECT CAROLYN OAKLEY
COMMON SENSE, UNCOMMON ABILITY

(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Carolyn Oakley)



WILLIAM COHNSTAEDT

NONPARTISAN OFFICE

OCCUPATION: Lawyer (private practice)

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Lawyer in Corvallis since

1979

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: University of Wisconsin-Madison BS 1968; Oakland University MAT 1970; Golden Gate University Law School JD 1974.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Corvallis City Council 1989-1990.

COHNSTAEDT FOR CITY COUNCIL

William Cohnstaedt, will work to protect and enhance basic city services: 1) police, 2) fire protection, 3) water department, 4) sanitary sewer, 5) streets, 6) parks and recreation, and 7) library. Protection of these services in the political arena and enhancement of them in the budgetary process are the jobs of a City Councilor.

Our present City staff is excellent. To remain the best requires ongoing training, modern equipment, and efficient management dedicated to delivering the above basic services. Our City staff possesses these qualities. City Councilors too often fail to keep their priorities straight as to service to the community rather than special interests.

His priorities will always focus on maintaining and improving basic city services. He will do everything he can to protect the right of every citizen to receive the best city services possible. We each should enjoy the benefits of living and working in our beautiful city.

The basic challenge to our City Councilors is to keep pace with the rapid changes taking place in our local and national economies. City Councilors must be vigilant to protect and enhance what Corvallis has that is tried and true. He will not lead us in experimental and questionable directions.

As a community, what Corvallis has is unique and worth the effort of every citizen to protect. His commitment to the members of our extraordinary community is to work with each of you to preserve, even as we improve Corvallis.

(This information furnished by the Committee to Elect Bill Cohnstaedt)

City Council, Ward 4

City Council, Ward 5



CHARLES C. TOMLINSON

NONPARTISAN OFFICE

OCCUPATION: Business Manager, Harrison House Bed & Breakfast.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Business Manager, Computer Systems Account Executive.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: B.S., Alma College, M.B.A., University of Hartford, Hartford Seminary.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Corvallis City Council 1999-Present, Budget Commission 1999-Present.

COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE: Board Member, Corvallis Convention & Visitor's Bureau, Board Member, Habitat for Humanity

Serving Ward 4 has been a pleasure the past two years and I ask for your support to serve an additional term. There are significant challenges facing city government – our Ward has always been involved with and instrumental in working through these issues. The following are some specific areas that local government will deal with in the next Council term.

Community Livability

The Council should continue its work on the Land Development Code, Storm Water Management and Watershed Enhancement, alternative transportation improvement and additional working partnerships with the 509J School District and Benton County.

Economic Development & Diversification

Working toward a healthy downtown, a diverse local economy and partnerships with Oregon State University should provide a sound economic base for the Corvallis economy.

Financial Stability

The impacts of M47 and M50 mean our local government provides services with fewer tax dollars. Fiscal stability of Corvallis is essential if we are to provide these services. The Council should insure future operating budgets cover service needs.

And, as always, if you want potholes filled, curbs striped or dogs caught, please call.



ROB GANDARA

NONPARTISAN OFFICE

OCCUPATION: Manufacturing Strategist, Senior Member of Technical Staff, since 1995. Hewlett Packard Corporation, Corvallis, Oregon.; Board of Directors, Tour Captain, since 1998.; Mid-Valley Bicycle Club, Corvallis, Oregon.; Director, Musician, since 1998.; Irish Moonshine, Corvallis, Oregon.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Principal Engineer, Semiconductor Operations, 1984 to 1995.; Digital Equipment Corporation, Hudson, Massachusetts.; Board of Directors, Musician, 1988 to 1989.; Marlboro Symphony Orchestra, Marlboro, Massachusetts.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Masters of Science in Electrical Engineering with a Certificate in Computer Integrated Manufacturing Systems, 1991.; Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia.; Bachelors of Science in Electrical Engineering with a Humanities Concentration in Music, 1985.; Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None.

We have the opportunity now to ensure the humanity of our city. The reputation of Corvallis as a great place to live depends upon our ability to preserve the uniqueness and character of our community. Defining and completing the riverfront project is one example of how we can transform the heart of our city. The revitalization of downtown Corvallis will not become complete without mixed development for living, working and shopping. Our approach to planning our downtown <u>must</u> emphasize human sustenance.

The basis of a sustainable healthy community can not be predicated on one university or one corporation. It is achieved through a diverse and complete set of trades, skills and occupations. In our community, the quality of life for all must be assured and encouraged. Our vision for Corvallis not only champions equitable housing, transportation, education and employment for all citizens, it creates a culture where their perspectives are sought. Policies at every level of city operation <u>must</u> reflect our commitment of livability to individuals.

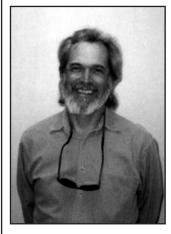
Let's grow up, not out!

(This information furnished by Representing our Beliefs, Citizens to elect Rob Gandara)

(This information furnished by Charles C. Tomlinson)

City Council, Ward 5

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JERRY LARSON

NONPARTISAN OFFICE

OCCUPATION: School Bus Driver; Desktop Publisher.
OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Newsletter editor, Corvallis Macintosh Users Group; wine buyer and newsletter columnist, First Alternative Food Co-op; restaurant owner (partner, former Tower of London); restaurant manager; restaurant worker; tree planter; cannery worker.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Cascade Union High School, and one year completed at OSU, majoring in Anthropology.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None.

Labor issues and experience:

- Member, Amalgamated Transit Union (AFL-CIO).
- Worked in favor of Transit Bus Driver's prevailing wage levy.
- Worked in favor of the Living Wage campaign.

Land Use Issues:

- Work harder and plan better for affordable housing in Corvallis.
- Work and plan for livable communities that resist urban sprawl, and that represent the best in urban design.
- Encourage mass transit, and minimize dependence on the automobile.
- Encourage and plan for an economically healthy, vibrant and lively downtown.
- Encourage and plan for a downtown where people of mixed incomes will live, shop, and play.
- Discourage the importation of "big box" retail chain stores.
- Secure open spaces, park lands, and green belts while they are still available.
- Resist pressure to expand the Urban Growth Boundary.

Social justice

- Ensure equal rights for all, regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, ideology, religion, physical abilities, or age.
- Be sure to include everyone who should be covered under Corvallis' Living Wage statue, and that what we call a living wage actually is one.

Environmental Issues

- Establish pedestrian-friendly environments and safe and convenient bikeways.
- Promote energy conservation and the use, wherever possible, of renewable and non-polluting energy sources.
- Promote, wherever possible, sustainable Community Supported Agriculture.
- I support the Friends of the Riverfront downtown riverfront park plan.

(This information furnished by Jerald N. Larson)



JANET L.E. RANZONI

NONPARTISAN OFFICE

OCCUPATION: Self-employed, housecleaning service.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Cooks helper, OSU Foodservice; Research subject, OSU Department of Health and Nutrition; Student Work-study, seamstress, OSU Theater; Student intern, Pendleton Woolen Mills; Self-employed since 1987

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Graduated, Corvallis High School, 1977 Graduated with honors OSU College of Home Economics, Apparel and Textile Design, 1990; Foreign study program, Jozsef Attila Tudomany Egyetem, Szeged, Hungary, 1986-87; Accredited Landscape Design Consultant, National Council of State Garden Clubs, 1996.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None.

OTHER: Recording secretary, Corvallis Garden Club; Flower Show Chairman, Benton County Council of Garden Clubs; Volunteer worker, OSU Folk Club Thrift Shop, Occasional seamstress/designer, Majestic Theater; Member, Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Corvallis; Member, Home Orchard Society; Relief Pitcher, pantheists, Corvallis City League co-ed softball team, Frequent visitor, Corvallis Public Library.

I believe: in the inherant right of all people to fair treatment under the law.

- : that individual freedom and the needs of society must be kept in balance.
 - : that a healthy economy is a stable economy.

lintend: to address land-use and development issues with an eye on the larger picture.

- : to distribute fairly the cost of society among its members.
- : to truly represent my wardmembers by listening to what they have to say.
 - : to forward the timely completion of all city projects.

I hope: to have this be a rewarding experience for me.

- : to meet some great people.
- : to learn a lot.

(This information furnished by Janet L.E. Ranzoni)

City Council, Ward 6

City Council, Ward 6



TOM JENSEN

NONPARTISAN OFFICE

OCCUPATION: Substitute Teacher.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Retail Salesperson, Warehouseman, Residential Treatment Specialist, Bartender, Teacher

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Local Public Schools, O.S.U.-BA History, BA Anthropology '91; Willamette U.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None.

Neighbors and residents of Ward 6:

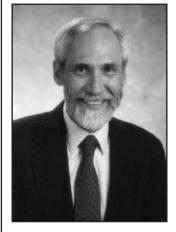
I am asking for the opportunity to represent our ward as city councilor. In the more than thirty years I have lived in Corvallis, I have witnessed great changes in our community. I see several long and short-term issues facing us in the near future.

Responsible boundary growth as well as affordable housing for renters and homeowners are important factors in determining livability. Development in business, industrial, recreational, and mixed-use areas must be well planned. Maintenance and expansion of infrastructure should be designed for longevity and future application. Alternative routes and modes of transportation should be promoted and developed to reduce impact on our streets. Efficient traffic flow and adequate accessible parking contribute to the economic well being of our city. We must maintain and improve the quality of our public education system, and uphold a level of safety we expect for our children and the community. Solutions beyond taxation can be found to meet these needs.

As councilor, I will make decisions based on logic, common sense, and the outlook of the population. I would like to solicit your views and have the opportunity to act on that feedback. We can enhance the future of our community. Become civically involved by attending city council meetings, and remember me when you vote on November 7th.

Thank You,

Tom Jensen



STEWART WERSHOW

NONPARTISAN OFFICE

OCCUPATION: Records management consultant.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Records center manager, Benton County, 1978-1998; Mental health worker, Oregon State Hospital, 1975-77; Christmas tree farmer, 1974-75.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: University of Oregon, Master's program, Biology, 1972-74; University of Oregon, BS, 1971.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: City Council, Corvallis, 1988-90. City of Corvallis Safety Task Force, chair, 1991-92; Martin Luther King Commission, 1993-99

Wershow is Experienced

Ward 6 needs a representative who understands the complexity of government and how to make it work for the people. My past experience as a city councilman and a member of city committees has given me that understanding.

When last on the city council, our council had to set spending priorities in a time of scarce monetary resources. Also, we adopted the city's first written financial policies. If elected, I will bring that expertise to the next city council.

Wershow Listens

Communication between the elected representative and his constituents is essential for democracy to work. This communication needs to go both ways. My record shows that I listen to voters and that I work at informing constituents about issues. Together we can formulate solutions that everyone can support. Together we can keep Corvallis the town we want it to be.

Wershow Cares about our Youth

As a parent who has raised three children in the ward, I am sensitive to the needs of our youth.

Preservation of our neighborhood parks and solutions to traffic problems that endanger youth are high on my agenda. Ward 6 should remain an area of green spaces and safe streets.

Some of the major issues facing the next council:

- Adoption and implementation of a new Storm Water Master Plan. - Plan will affect Dixon Creek.
- Stabilizing funding for city services.
- Implementation of new Land Development code.

I have had the honor to serve the citizens of Corvallis in the past and I hope you will allow me to do so again.

(This information furnished by Stewart Wershow for City Council)

(This information furnished by Tom Jensen for City Council)

City Council, Ward 7

City Council, Ward 7

NO PHOTO SUBMITTED JOHN G. BOOKER, JR.

NONPARTISAN OFFICE

OCCUPATION: Burger King - Oregon State University - Crewmember October 1999 to Present; South Plains Mortgage Company LLC - Midland, Texas - Area Title Researcher July 1999-Present.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Burger King - Both 9th Street and 4th Street Corvallis-Crewmember; McDonald's - 3rd Street Corvallis-Crewmember; Linn-Benton Community College-Albany, Oregon-Office Assistant; Spirit Mountain Casino-Grande Ronde, Oregon-Host/Cashier.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Linn-Benton Community College - Associate of Applied Science Accounting, Associate of Applied Science Technology Supervisory Management, Albany, Oregon; Pasadena City College-Associate of Arts-Communications, Pasadena, California

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None.



KARYLE BUTCHER

NONPARTISAN OFFICE

OCCUPATION: University Librarian/Deputy Vice-Provost for Information Services. Oregon State University.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Associate University Librarian: Business Librarian: Public Librarian.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: BA, University of California, Berkeley; MLS, University of Southern California; M.A.I.S. in History, Business, Economics, Oregon State University.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Corvallis 509J Schools - Budget Commission 2000-; Corvallis City Planning Commission 1991-1997; Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation, 1991-1998; Neighborhood Association, Founding Member, 1990-.

The City of Corvallis and we as its citizens continue to face numerous issues that will determine the quality of our lives and those coming after us. Three areas are especially critical: Economic diversity, land use planning and citizen participation in local government.

Economic Diversity: We need to continue to refine plans to attract to Corvallis those businesses and industries that will support manageable growth, complement downtown business, provide livable incomes and encourage economic diversity.

Land Use: How well we provide stewardship to our land is critical in determining the quality of life in Corvallis. Good stewardship will require collaboration with the County over land use issues, acquiring additional open space and judiciously responding to citizen needs for affordable housing.

Citizen Participation: Corvallis is a city that traditionally thrives on and responds to citizen participation in government. Such participation does not mean that each of us will be satisfied with all decisions but it does mean that we all have an opportunity to determine the type of community we want Corvallis to be. One of my goals as a member of the City Council is help citizens remember that good government is about all of

(This information furnished by John G. Booker, Jr.)

(This information furnished by Karyle Butcher)

City Council, Ward 8

City Council, Ward 9



BETTY GRIFFITHS

NONPARTISAN OFFICE

OCCUPATION: Program Manager, Linn County Alcohol & Drug Program.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Administrator, Consultant, Counselor, and Teacher.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: James Madison University, B.S., 1962, Psychology & History. Oregon State University, Ed.M., 1971, Guidance & Counseling.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Corvallis City Council, 1993-2000, Council President 1995-1998; Administrative Services Committee, member and rotating chair; member Land Development Code; Neighborhood Technical Review Group; liaison to Parks & Recreation Board, Civic Beautification Commission, and Chamber of Commerce Board.

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

- Parent Advisory Board, LBCC 1987-90
- Board of Directors, Corvallis Community Day Care 1977-1981
- Board of Directors, Community Outreach 1975-1977
- Governor's Drug & Violent Crime Policy Board 1995-2000

BETTY will work to:

- Ensure that open and direct communication exists between citizens and city government prior to decision making
- Seek alternatives to assumptions about growth and development
- Promote continuation of good fiscal planning and responsible budgeting
- Increase protection for the environment
- Continue strong citizen involvement in decision making
- Maintain the quality of life in Corvallis

I have appreciated the opportunity and challenge of serving as your representative for the past 8 years. I want to continue serving as your representative because I believe that with my experience and knowledge I can provide a valuable perspective on the issues facing Corvallis in the next two years. These issues include: completion of the Riverfront Plan, continuing to work on solutions to affordable housing, completing our natural resources inventory and drainageway master plan and seeking ways to provide excellent city services in the face of shrinking fiscal resources.

Corvallis is a special city. I remain committed to maintaining the qualities that attracted me here – pleasant neighborhoods, a diverse economy, beautiful natural settings, and well-planned public facilities. I am proud to be able to represent Ward 8 on the City Council. Thank you for your help and continued support.

(This information furnished by Betty Griffiths for City Council)



HAROLD F. "HAL" BRAUNER

NONPARTISAN OFFICE

OCCUPATION: Retired Public Administrator; Part-time Interim Business Manager for Linn-Benton- Lincoln ESD and Interim Director for Business Education Compact of Linn and Benton Counties.; Volunteer work as: Treasurer of Corvallis Educational Coalition; Board Member/President of Benton County Schools Credit Union; Council Member/President Grace Lutheran Church; Advisor to L-B-L ESD School Board; Wilson School Parent Volunteer; Allocation Subcommittee United Way of Benton County.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Director of Business Services for Corvallis School District; Executive Officer for Marion County Oregon; State of Oregon, including Director of Dept. of Land Conservation and Development, Assistant to Governor McCall, and Budget Supervisor and Analyst. Volunteer work including: United Way Board Member, Campaign Chair and President; Oregon Association of School Business Officials member and President; Member Association of Business Officials International; Steering committees for Corvallis Kids Count and Positively Pools Committees; Member Kiwanis Club of Corvallis; Plus service on a variety of local and state committees over the years.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: B.A. Degree, Liberal Arts, Political Science Major, University of Oregon; Clark Junior College, Vancouver, Washington; Public Schools in Eugene and Portland, Oregon; Variety of summer school and workshops in public administration and budgeting.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: In addition to the experience listed above, elected to and served for seven years on the Salem Oregon School Board.

A native Oregonian and resident of Corvallis for 20 years, Hal is dedicated to good government and service to his community. He is married to Lida and they have two children, Kevin and Sarah, who attend Wilson Elementary School. He also has three grown children. He believes, if elected, his experience and dedication will be an asset to the Council, Ward 9, and the City.

(This information furnished by Harold F. "Hal" Brauner)

City of Philomath

Benton Soil and Water Conservation District

Mayor

Director, Zone 3



VAN O. HUNSAKER

NONPARTISAN OFFICE

OCCUPATION: Veterinary Hospital Manager; College of Veterinary Medicine; OSU.

OCCUPÁTIONAL BACKGROUND: Property Specialist III; Storekeeper I.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Graduate, Salmon High School

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Philomath Mayor-1991-1994, 1997-Present; Philomath City Councilor- 1987-1990; BL3 Regional Investment Board- 2000-present; Cascades West Council of Government- 1989-1990; Cascades West Transportation Committee- 1991-1996; Philomath Community Response Team- 1991-present.

CIVIC INVOLVEMENT: Philomath Youth Activities Club Board- 1989-Present; Marys River Watershed Council Steering committee- 1998-Present.

Due to the commitment of the City Council, Staff, and volunteers, we are making progress in Philomath. I have enjoyed serving the Citizens of Philomath. I would appreciate your continued support.

Development Balance

The last several years, Philomath has struggled with differing perspectives on how much growth is appropriate. I will continue to guide our community towards a balance.

Recently, we published a statement on Philomath's infrastructural capacity. This will help citizens and developers understand our infrastructure needs and expectations when development is proposed.

Infrastructure Improvements

In recent years we updated the City's Capital Improvement Plan and System Development Charges. We developed new Parks, Transportation, and Storm Drain Master Plans.

We need to continue making infrastructure improvements including the following;

We expect to receive state transportation funding to help build a bridge over Newton Creek on Applegate St. During the next two years, underground infrastructure replacement and new streets are planned in our Urban Renewal District, the first step in building the Couplet.

Job Opportunities

Even while Philomath's population has grown, we have lost jobs due to the down turn in the timber industry. I picture a Philomath where our citizens can walk or bike to work.

We developed a strategy to balance industrial development and wetland protection in our industrial zoned lands. This will help bring jobs back to our community.

In closing, Philomath is known as a community of volunteers. I encourage you to join in.

(This information furnished by Van O. Hunsaker)



THOMAS E. BEDELL

NONPARTISAN OFFICE

OCCUPATION: Retired.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Oregon State University Extension Rangeland Resources Specialist; Certified Range Management Consultant.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Ph.D. Oregon State University, 1966, Range Management; M.S.U. California Berkeley, 1957, Range Management; B.S. Cal Poly, 1953, Animal Husbandry.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Director Benton Soil and Water Conservation District (elected); Oregon Soil and Water Conservation Commission (appointed); Oregon Board of Agriculture (appointed).

Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCD) in Oregon are one of the main means by which citizens can access and use technical conservation education and personal assistance in order to accomplish both group and individual objectives. Over the past four years I have gained a real appreciation of the value of the Benton SWCD. Helping people plan, design and build conservation projects on their lands is a primary goal. Most people either know or have heard of the Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds. Many, especially the rural agricultural owners or operators, know of the agricultural water quality management planning process. Your SWCD is intimately involved with these efforts.

The District also cooperates with the three watershed councils organized in the County (Marys River, Long Tom, Mid-Coast) and supports plans for their continuation. We have embarked on a cooperative effort with the Benton County Department of Public Works regarding a number of conservation activities. I believe the District, organized in 1956, should and will continue to play a strong conservation role. I intend to support and promote those goals if again elected as a District Director.

(This information furnished by Thomas E. Bedell)

Benton Soil and Water Conservation District

District Director-At Large

NO PHOTO SUBMITTED ERIC A. HORNING

NONPARTISAN OFFICE

OCCUPATION: Self Employed, Horning Farms, Inc.
OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Linn-Benton Community
College

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Monroe Union High School, Linn-Benton Community College - Associate of Science. PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: 2 years Board Director, Benton Soil Water Conservation District.

(This information furnished by Eric A. Horning)

VOTING IN OREGON

WHO MAY REGISTER TO VOTE?

Anyone who is:

- ♦ A resident of Oregon;
- ♦ A United States citizen; and
- ♦ 18 years age or older.

You may register to vote before your 18th birthday or before you are sworn in as a US citizen. In order to register; under these conditions, you must turn 18 or be sworn in as a US citizen during the 20-day period immediately before the election. Please call your county elections office for details if you believe you qualify for this registration process.

DO I HAVE TO REGISTER BY PARTY?

No. If you do not want to be affiliated with a political party, you may check the box that states *Not a member of a party*. You may not designated or change a party affiliation after the 21st day before the Primary Election.

I WILL BE OUT OF TOWN WHEN BALLOTS ARE MAILED. HOW DO I GET A BALLOT?

Absentee ballots are available 45 days before the election. You may request an early absentee ballot from your county election office either in person, by mail or by FAX. You will need to include your name, signature, residence address and, if different, your mailing address.

WHAT IF MY BALLOT DOESN'T COME?

If you have not received your ballot within a week after they are mailed, call your county election office. They will check to see if your voter registration is current. If it is, they will mail you a replacement ballot.

WHAT IF I HAVE MOVED AND HAVE NOT UPDATED MY REGISTRATION?

If you are registered to vote by the 21st day before the election, but now have a different address and:

You have moved within the same county, contact the county election office. They will instruct you on the process to follow to qualify for a replacement ballot.

OR

 You have moved to a different county, go to the election office in your new county.

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