

BENTON COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET



GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 2, 2004

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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 Benton County Voter:

On November 2, 2004, an election will be held in Benton County. As a voter, you will have an opportunity to exercise your right to vote on important issues within the County and the State of Oregon. This is also an election in which we decide who will represent us at the national, state and local levels.

For this election, the Board of Commissioners publishes this **Benton County Voters' Pamphlet** to provide information concerning countywide and local issues as well as city and county candidates for office.

Please remember that all ballots, whether mailed or delivered, must be **received no later than 8:00 p.m. on November 2, 2004.** Ballots should be mailed or delivered to:

- The Benton County Elections Office, located in the basement of the historic Courthouse at 120 NW 4th Street in Corvallis

OR

- One of the official ballot drop sites located throughout the County. A list of ballot drop site locations is included in this Voters' Pamphlet.

This Voters' Pamphlet contains information regarding local candidates for city councils and county commissioner. The pamphlet also contains summaries, explanatory statements, and any paid arguments favoring or opposing school levies and proposed annexations to cities.

You will also find information on voting, registering to vote, updating your voter registration, and applying for absentee ballots. We hope this Voters' Pamphlet will help you to become better informed about the issues in this election as you prepare to make your decisions.

Sincerely,

Linda Modrell
Chair

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Commissioner

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Commissioner

REMEMBER TO VOTE

Benton County

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Monroe

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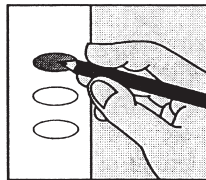
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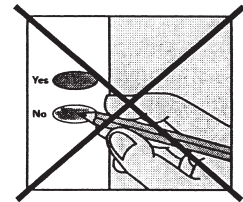
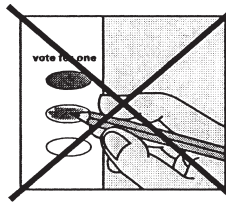
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Your vote **will not count** for that candidate or measure.



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

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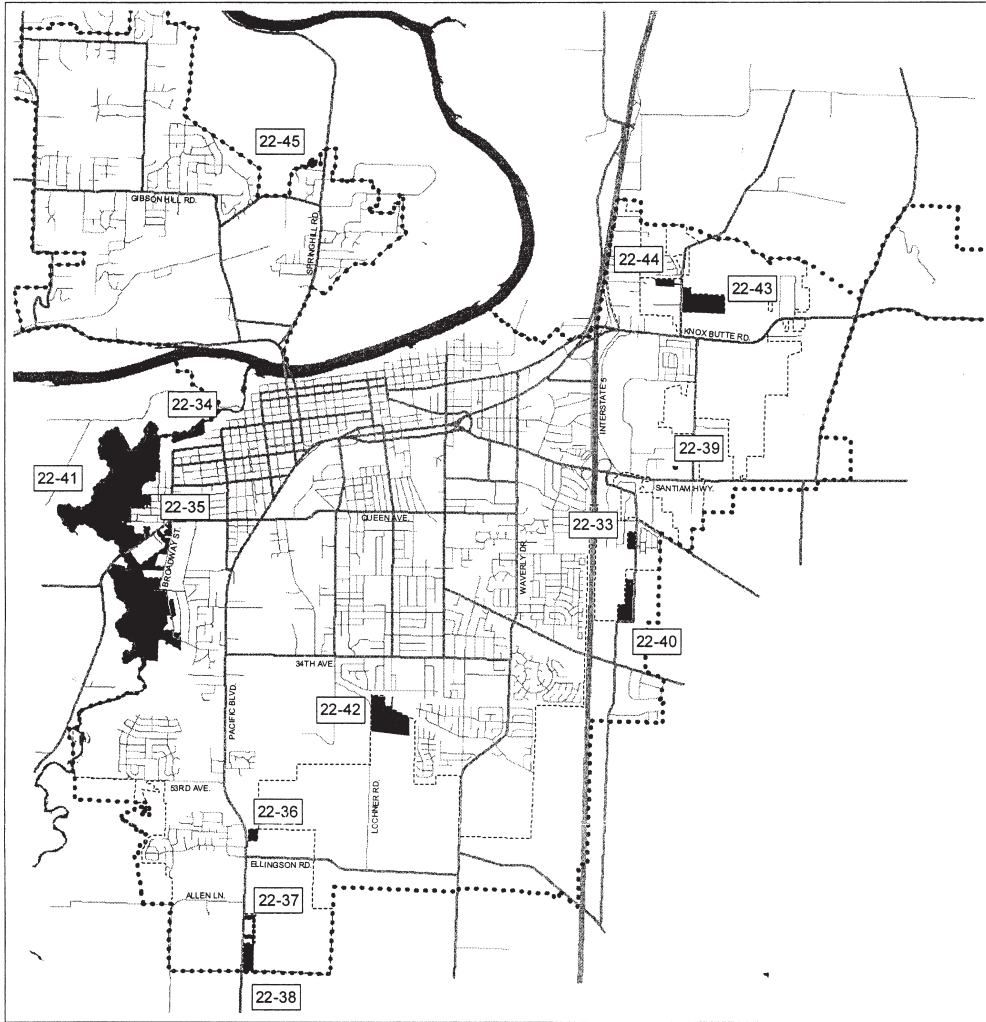
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City of Albany Proposed Annexations
for November 2004 Ballot



Ballot Descriptions

- 22-33 This area is an "island" located on the west side of Three Lakes Road, south of 18th Avenue. There are 3 parcels totaling 4.3 acres. The property would be zoned Single Family Residential.
- 22-34 This area is an "island" located between the Riverside Cemetery and the Calapooya River. There are 3 parcels totaling 3.6 acres. The property would be zoned Open Space.
- 22-35 This area is an "island" located on the north side of Queen Avenue. There are 2 parcels totaling 1.6 acres. The property would be zoned Medium Density Residential.
- 22-36 This area is an "island" located on the east side of Pacific Boulevard, north of Ellingson Road. There are 2 parcels totaling 2.9 acres. The property would be zoned Neighborhood Commercial.
- 22-37 This area is an "island" located on the east side of Pacific Boulevard, south of Allen Lane. There are 2 parcels totaling 2.2 acres. The property would be zoned Industrial Park.
- 22-38 This area is an "island" located on the east side of Pacific Boulevard, north of Beta Drive. There are 4 parcels totaling 7.1 acres. The property would be zoned Industrial Park.
- 22-39 This area is an "island" located on the north side of Santiam Highway, west of Goldfish Farm Road. There is one 0.4-acre parcel. The property would be zoned Community Commercial.
- 22-40 These parcels are under "Delayed Annexation Agreements." There are 10 parcels totaling 14.4 acres. The property would be zoned Light Industrial.
- 22-41 This area is an "island" located in west Albany, between the existing city limits and the Calapooya River. There are 94 parcels totaling 300 acres. Approximately 210 acres would be zoned Open Space, and 90 acres would be Single Family Residential.
- 22-42 This is an annexation proposed by the property owners. There are 2 parcels totaling 31.9 acres. The properties are located east of Lochner Road and south of 38th Avenue. The property would be zoned Single Family Residential.
- 22-43 This is an annexation proposed by the property owners. There are 5 parcels totaling 27 acres. The properties are located on the east side of Clover Ridge Road. The property would be zoned Single Family Residential.
- 22-44 This is an annexation proposed by the property owner. The parcel is 4.9 acres located on the west side of Clover Ridge Road. The property would be zoned Single Family Residential.
- 22-45 This is an annexation proposal for approximately 2.18 acres surrounding the club house at the Spring Hill Country Club on the north side of Country Club Lane. The property would be zoned Single Family Residential.

City of Albany

Measure No. 22-32

BALLOT TITLE

CITY OF ALBANY, OREGON, GENERAL OBLIGATION LIBRARY BOND AUTHORIZATION

QUESTION: Shall the City be authorized to issue general obligation library bonds in an amount not exceeding \$12,051,000? 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: The Bonds would finance capital construction and capital improvements, including, but not limited to, providing funds to:

- construct, equip and furnish a new two-story library addition which would connect to the Main Library;
- remodel the existing Main Library;
- acquire land and construct surface parking for the Main Library;
- pay bond issuance costs.

Upon completion of the above purposes, the City may use any remaining bond proceeds for any capital project.

The Main Library was built in 1974 when the City was half the size of its current population. Expansion of the Main Library will address the growing demand for library services.

The City estimates that taxes would increase by approximately \$.46/\$1,000 of assessed value or \$69.00 per year for property valued at \$150,000. This tax estimate is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available to the City at the time of the estimate and was not calculated by the county assessor.

The Bonds will mature with 20 annual principal payments paid over a period of 21 years or less.

Approval of the bonds would cost Albany property owners an estimated additional 46 cents per thousand dollars of assessed value.

*(Submitted by Ed Gallagher,
City of Albany Library Director, City of Albany)*

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The City of Albany seeks approval of \$12 million in General Obligation bonds for renovation and expansion of the Main branch of the Albany Public Library.

The Main Library was built in 1974 to serve a population of about 22,000. The City's current population is more than 43,600. The new facility would allow the book collection to double and the amount of space available for the children's department to be four times larger. The Library intends to continue to provide public access to the Internet and electronic databases with twice the number of public computers as are currently available. Plans also include a larger public meeting room. The building is also intended to include space for a bookstore, coffee shop, and library of Albany history. Additional rooms are intended for private study, quiet areas, and the display of local art.

**NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST
THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.**

City of Albany

Measure No. 22-33

BALLOT TITLE

A MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY ON THREE LAKES ROAD SE

QUESTION: Shall the three parcels totaling approximately 4.3 acres on the west side of Three Lakes Road south of 18th Avenue be annexed?

SUMMARY: Approval of this measure would annex approximately 4.3 acres to the City of Albany. The properties to be annexed are located on the west side of Three Lakes Road and south of 18th Avenue. These properties are surrounded on all sides by the City limits of Albany. Upon annexation, the zoning would be RS-6.5 (Single-Family Residential).

The text of the measure is as follows:

The following described real property, all located in Linn County, Oregon, shall be annexed to the City of Albany upon obtaining a favorable majority vote of the people.

The property generally located on the west side of Three Lakes Road south of 18th Avenue, shown on Linn County Assessor's Map No. 11S-03W-09D; Tax Lot(s) 1107, 1109, and 1112, as further described in the attached legal description labeled Resolution Exhibit A. The subject properties contain 4.3 acres, more or less.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Annexation Proposal - Ballot #22-33. The Albany City Charter was amended in 1998 to require that annexation proposals be referred to Albany voters. Accordingly, the Albany City Council has referred to the Albany voters the question of annexation for three parcels generally located east of I-5 on the west side of Three Lakes Road SE, south of 18th Avenue SE. The total area of these parcels is approximately 4.3 acres.

The area is an "island" as defined by the Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS 222.750). This statute also states that the City has the authority to annex an "island" with or without the consent of the property owners or residents. The City Council has determined that it is timely to annex these parcels, and has chosen to forward the question of annexation to the voters of Albany. Two of the parcels are developed with single family houses, and one is developed with a church. If annexed, the parcels would be zoned Single Family Residential (RS-6.5).

If annexed, funding for any required public infrastructure improvements needed to serve new development on this property would be the responsibility of the property owner.

*(Submitted by Helen Burns Sharp,
Community Development Director, City of Albany)*

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

Measure No. 22-34

BALLOT TITLE

A MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY NORTH OF RIVERSIDE CEMETERY

QUESTION: Shall three parcels totaling approximately 3.6 acres between Riverside Cemetery and the Calapooia River be annexed?

SUMMARY: Approval of this measure would annex approximately 3.6 acres to the City of Albany. The properties to be annexed are located between Riverside Cemetery and the Calapooia River. These properties are surrounded on three sides by the city limits of Albany and on one side by the Calapooia River. Upon annexation, the zoning would be OS (Open Space).

The text of the measure is as follows:

The following described real property, all located in Linn County, Oregon, shall be annexed to the City of Albany upon obtaining a favorable majority vote of the people.

The property generally located between Riverside Cemetery (near Albany General Hospital) and the Calapooia River, shown on Linn County Assessor's Map No. 11S-04W-12BA; Tax Lot(s) 200, 300, and 400, as further described in the legal description labeled Resolution Exhibit A. The subject properties contain 3.6 acres, more or less.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Annexation Proposal - Ballot #22-34. The Albany City Charter was amended in 1998 to require that annexation proposals be referred to Albany voters. Accordingly, the Albany City Council has referred to the Albany voters the question of annexation for three parcels generally located between the Riverside Cemetery and the Calapooia River, in West Albany. The total area of these parcels is approximately 3.6 acres.

The area is an "island" as defined by the Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS 222.750). This statute also states that the City has the authority to annex an "island" with or without the consent of the property owners or residents. The City Council has determined that it is timely to annex this area, and has chosen to forward the question of annexation to the voters of Albany. The parcels are undeveloped and lie within the 100-year floodplain. If annexed, these parcels would be zoned Open Space (OS).

If annexed, funding for any required public infrastructure improvements needed to serve new development on this property would be the responsibility of the property owners.

*(Submitted by Helen Burns Sharp,
Community Development Director, City of Albany)*

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

City of Albany

Measure No. 22-35

Measure No. 22-36

BALLOT TITLE

A MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY ON QUEEN AVENUE

QUESTION: Shall two parcels totaling approximately 1.6 acres on the north side of Queen Avenue west of Broadway Street be annexed?

SUMMARY: The properties to be annexed are located on the north side of Queen Avenue and west of Broadway Street. These properties are surrounded on all sides by the city limits of Albany. Upon annexation, the zoning would be RS-6.5 (Single-Family Residential).

The text of the measure is as follows:

The following described real property, all located in Linn County, Oregon, shall be annexed to the City of Albany upon obtaining a favorable majority vote of the people.

The property generally located on the north side of Queen Avenue and west of Broadway Street, shown on Linn County Assessor's Map No. 11S-04W-13BA; Tax Lot(s) 400 and 500, as further described in the legal description labeled Resolution Exhibit A. The subject properties contain 1.6 acres, more or less.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Annexation Proposal – Ballot #22-35. The Albany City Charter was amended in 1998 to require that annexation proposals be referred to Albany voters. Accordingly, the Albany City Council has referred to the Albany voters the question of annexation for two parcels generally located on the north side of Queen Avenue SW, west of Broadway Street SW. The total area of these parcels is approximately 1.6 acres.

The area is an "island" as defined by the Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS 222.750). This statute also states that the City has the authority to annex an "island" with or without the consent of the property owners or residents. The City Council has determined that it is timely to annex this area, and has chosen to forward the question of annexation to the voters of Albany. The larger parcel (1.3 acres) is developed as an electric power substation, and the smaller parcel (0.3 acres) has a single family house. If annexed, these parcels would be zoned Medium Density Residential (RM-5).

If annexed, funding for any required public infrastructure improvements needed to serve new development on this property would be the responsibility of the property owners.

*(Submitted by Helen Burns Sharp,
Community Development Director, City of Albany)*

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

BALLOT TITLE

PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY ON PACIFIC NORTH OF ELLINGSON ROAD

QUESTION: Shall two parcels approximately 2.9 acres on the east side of Pacific Boulevard north of Ellingson Road be annexed?

SUMMARY: There are three islands on south Pacific Boulevard that are proposed for annexation. This is the northernmost island. Approval of this measure would annex approximately 2.9 acres to the City of Albany. The properties to be annexed are located on the east side of Pacific Boulevard and north of Ellingson Road. These properties are surrounded on all sides by the city limits of Albany. Upon annexation, the zoning would be NC (Neighborhood Commercial).

The text of the measure is as follows:

The following described real property, all located in Linn County, Oregon, shall be annexed to the City of Albany upon obtaining a favorable majority vote of the people.

The property generally located on the east side of Pacific Boulevard and north of Ellingson Road, shown on Linn County Assessor's Map No. 11S-03W-30; Tax Lot(s) 201 and 204, as further described in the attached legal description labeled Resolution Exhibit A. The subject properties contain 2.9 acres, more or less.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Annexation Proposal - Ballot #22-36. The Albany City Charter was amended in 1998 to require that annexation proposals be referred to Albany voters. Accordingly, the Albany City Council has referred to the Albany voters the question of annexation for two parcels generally located on the east side of Pacific Boulevard SW, north of Ellingson Road SW. The total area of these parcels is approximately 2.9 acres.

The area is an "island" as defined by the Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS 222.750). This statute also states that the City has the authority to annex an "island" with or without the consent of the property owners or residents. The City Council has determined that it is timely to annex this area, and has chosen to forward the question of annexation to the voters of Albany. The larger parcel (1.9 acres) is developed as a veterinary clinic, and the smaller parcel (1.0 acres) has a single family house. If annexed, these parcels would be zoned Neighborhood Commercial (NC).

If annexed, funding for any required public infrastructure improvements needed to serve new development on this property would be the responsibility of the property owners.

*(Submitted by Helen Burns Sharp,
Community Development Director, City of Albany)*

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

City of Albany

Measure No. 22-37

Measure No. 22-38

BALLOT TITLE

PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY ON PACIFIC SOUTH OF ALLEN LANE

QUESTION: Shall two parcels totaling approximately 2.2 acres on the east side of Pacific Boulevard south of Allen Lane be annexed?

SUMMARY: There are three islands on south Pacific Boulevard that are proposed for annexation. This is the middle island. Approval of this measure would annex approximately 2.2 acres to the City of Albany. The properties to be annexed are located on the east side of Pacific Boulevard and south of Allen Lane. These properties are surrounded on all sides by the city limits of Albany. Upon annexation, the zoning would be IP (Industrial Park).

The text of the measure is as follows:

The following described real property, all located in Linn County, Oregon, shall be annexed to the City of Albany upon obtaining a favorable majority vote of the people.

The property generally located on the east side of Pacific Boulevard and south of Allen Lane, shown on Linn County Assessor's Map No. 11S-03W-30; Tax Lot(s) 604 and 605, as further described in the attached legal description labeled Resolution Exhibit A. The subject properties contain 2.2 acres, more or less.

BALLOT TITLE

A MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY ON PACIFIC BOULEVARD SW

QUESTION: Shall four parcels totaling approximately 7.1 acres on the east side of Pacific Boulevard north of Beta Drive be annexed?

SUMMARY: There are three islands on south Pacific Boulevard that are proposed for annexation. This is the southernmost island. Approval of this measure would annex approximately 7.1 acres to the City of Albany. The properties to be annexed are located on the east side of Pacific Boulevard and north of Beta Drive. These properties are surrounded on all sides by the city limits of Albany. Upon annexation, the zoning would be IP (Industrial Park).

The text of the measure is as follows:

The following described real property, all located in Linn County, Oregon, shall be annexed to the City of Albany upon obtaining a favorable majority vote of the people.

The property generally located on the east side of Pacific Boulevard and north of Beta Drive, shown on Linn County Assessor's Map No. 11S-03W-30; Tax Lot(s) 900, 1000, 1001, and 1002, as further described in the attached legal description labeled Resolution Exhibit A. The subject properties contain 7.1 acres, more or less.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Annexation Proposal – Ballot #22-37. The Albany City Charter was amended in 1998 to require that annexation proposals be referred to Albany voters. Accordingly, the Albany City Council has referred to the Albany voters the question of annexation for two parcels generally located on the east side of Pacific Boulevard SW, south of Allen Lane SW. The total area of these parcels is approximately 2.2 acres.

The area is an "island" as defined by the Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS 222.750). This statute also states that the City has the authority to annex an "island" with or without the consent of the property owners or residents. The City Council has determined that it is timely to annex this area, and has chosen to forward the question of annexation to the voters of Albany. Both of these parcels are developed with single family houses. If annexed, these parcels would be zoned Industrial Park (IP).

If annexed, funding for any required public infrastructure improvements needed to serve new development on this property would be the responsibility of the property owners.

*(Submitted by Helen Burns Sharp,
Community Development Director, City of Albany)*

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Annexation Proposal – Ballot #22-38. The Albany City Charter was amended in 1998 to require that annexation proposals be referred to Albany voters. Accordingly, the Albany City Council has referred to the Albany voters the question of annexation for four parcels generally located on the east side of Pacific Boulevard SW, north of Beta Drive SW. The total area of these parcels is approximately 7.1 acres.

The area is an "island" as defined by the Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS 222.750). This statute also states that the City has the authority to annex an "island" with or without the consent of the property owners or residents. The City Council has determined that it is timely to annex this area, and has chosen to forward the question of annexation to the voters of Albany. Two of these parcels are developed with single family houses and two are developed with light industrial uses. If annexed, these parcels would be zoned Industrial Park (IP).

If annexed, funding for any required public infrastructure improvements needed to serve new development on this property would be the responsibility of the property owners.

*(Submitted by Helen Burns Sharp,
Community Development Director, City of Albany)*

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

City of Albany

Measure No. 22-39

Measure No. 22-40

BALLOT TITLE

A MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY ON SANTIAM HIGHWAY SE

QUESTION: Shall the 0.4-acre parcel on the north side of Santiam Highway west of Goldfish Farm Road be annexed?

SUMMARY: Approval of this measure would annex approximately 0.4 acres to the City of Albany. The property to be annexed is located on the north side of Santiam Highway and west of Goldfish Farm Road. The property is surrounded on all sides by the City limits of Albany. Upon annexation, the zoning would be CC (Community Commercial).

The text of the measure is as follows:

The following described real property, all located in Linn County, Oregon, shall be annexed to the City of Albany upon obtaining a favorable majority vote of the people.

The property generally located on the north side of Santiam Highway and west of Goldfish Farm Road, shown on Linn County Assessor's Map No. 11S-03W-09A; Tax Lot 1411, as further described in the attached legal description labeled Resolution Exhibit A. The subject property contains 0.4 acres, more or less.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Annexation Proposal – Ballot #22-39. The Albany City Charter was amended in 1998 to require that annexation proposals be referred to Albany voters. Accordingly, the Albany City Council has referred to the Albany voters the question of annexation for one parcel generally located on the north side of Santiam Highway SE, west of Goldfish Farm Road SE. The area of this parcel is approximately 0.4 acres.

The area is an "island" as defined by the Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS 222.750). This statute also states that the City has the authority to annex an "island" with or without the consent of the property owners or residents. The City Council has determined that it is timely to annex this parcel, and has chosen to forward the question of annexation to the voters of Albany. The parcel is undeveloped, except for a small personal storage building. If annexed, the parcel would be zoned Community Commercial (CC).

If annexed, funding for any required public infrastructure improvements needed to serve new development on this property would be the responsibility of the property owner.

*(Submitted by Helen Burns Sharp,
Community Development Director, City of Albany)*

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

BALLOT TITLE

A MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF CONTIGUOUS PROPERTIES ON THREE LAKES ROAD

QUESTION: Shall the ten parcels totaling approximately 14.4 acres on the west side of Three Lakes Road be annexed?

SUMMARY: Approval of this measure would annex approximately 14.4 acres to the City of Albany. The property to be annexed is located on the west side of Three Lakes Road. Upon annexation, the zoning would be LI (Light Industrial). These properties are currently under delayed annexation agreements. In exchange for the right to develop their property, the owners petitioned for annexation when the property became eligible for annexation. When the property to the west was annexed in 2002, these properties became contiguous and eligible for annexation.

The following described real property, all located in Linn County, Oregon, shall be annexed to the City of Albany upon obtaining a favorable majority vote of the people.

The property generally located on the west side of Three Lakes Road south of 18th Avenue, shown on Linn County Assessor's Map No. 11S-03W-16; Tax Lot(s) 600, 703, 705, 706, 707, 708, 710, 712, 716, and 718, as further described in the legal description labeled Resolution 4992 Exhibit A.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Annexation Proposal – Ballot #22-40. The Albany City Charter was amended in 1998 to require that annexation proposals be referred to Albany voters. Accordingly, the Albany City Council has referred to the Albany voters the question of annexation for ten parcels generally located east of I-5 on the west side of Three Lakes Road SE. The total area of these parcels is approximately 14.4 acres.

The property owners signed "delayed annexation agreements" in the 1980s and 1990s in order to be able to develop the properties to a level not typically allowed in the county. These agreements stated that the City would consider annexation when the properties became contiguous to the city limits. This group of parcels is now contiguous to the city limits, and therefore is eligible for annexation. Currently the parcels are developed with a variety of light industrial uses. If annexed, the parcels would be zoned Light Industrial (LI).

If annexed, funding for any required public infrastructure improvements needed to serve new development on this property would be the responsibility of the property owners.

*(Submitted by Helen Burns Sharp,
Community Development Director, City of Albany)*

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

City of Albany

Measure No. 22-41

Measure No. 22-42

BALLOT TITLE

A MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY IN WEST ALBANY

QUESTION: Shall property totaling approximately 300 acres between the existing city limits boundary and the Calapooia River be annexed?

SUMMARY: Approval of this measure would annex approximately 300 acres to the City of Albany. The property to be annexed is located in west Albany between the existing city limits boundary and the Calapooia River. The property is surrounded by the city limits of Albany and by the Calapooia River. Upon annexation, approximately 210 acres would be zoned OS (Open Space), and approximately 90 acres would be zoned RS-6.5 (Residential Single Family).

The text of the measure is as follows:

The following described real property, all located in Linn County, Oregon, shall be annexed to the City of Albany upon obtaining a favorable majority vote of the people.

The property generally located in west Albany between the existing city limits boundary and the Calapooia River. The subject properties contain 300 acres, more or less.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Annexation Proposal – Ballot #22-41. The Albany City Charter was amended in 1998 to require that annexation proposals be referred to Albany voters. Accordingly, the Albany City Council has referred to the Albany voters the question of annexation for 94 parcels generally located between the existing city limits and the Calapooia River, in West Albany. The total area of these parcels is approximately 300 acres.

The area is an "island" as defined by the Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS 222.750). This statute also states that the City has the authority to annex an "island" with or without the consent of the property owners or residents. The City Council has determined that it is timely to annex this area, and has chosen to forward the question of annexation to the voters of Albany. Approximately 210 acres of this area would be zoned Open Space (OS), mainly because it is within the 100-year floodplain, and the other 90 acres would be zoned Single Family Residential (RS-6.5). The majority of the parcels to be zoned residential are already developed with single family houses.

If annexed, funding for any required public infrastructure improvements needed to serve new development on this property would be the responsibility of the property owners.

*(Submitted by Helen Burns Sharp,
Community Development Director, City of Albany)*

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST
THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

BALLOT TITLE

MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF PROPERTIES EAST OF LOCHNER ROAD SE

QUESTION: Shall two parcels totaling approximately 31.9 acres on the east side of Lochner Road be annexed?

SUMMARY: The property to be annexed is located generally on the east side of Lochner Road south of the Albany Santiam Canal, shown on Linn County Assessor's Map No. 11S-03W-20; Tax Lot 603 and a portion of Tax Lot 602. The subject property contains 31.9 acres, more or less. The area is made up of all of Tax Lot 603 (29.2 acres) and a portion of Tax Lot 602 (2.7 acres). The Greater Albany Public School district owns the larger parcel. The school district has declared this property surplus and may sell the property in the future, with proceeds going toward the acquisition of a more suitable school site. The smaller parcel is wetland and has been set aside as an open space area for an approved development east of the site. Upon annexation, the zoning would be RS-6.5 (Single - Family Residential).

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Annexation Proposal – Ballot #22-42. The Albany City Charter was amended in 1998 to require that annexation proposals be referred to Albany voters. Accordingly, the Albany City Council has referred to the Albany voters the question of annexation for two parcels east of Lochner Road SE, south of 38th Avenue SE. The total area of the two parcels is approximately 31.9 acres.

The larger property is approximately 29.2 acres and is owned by the Greater Albany Public School District. The School District has requested annexation in order to increase the value of the property for potential sale. Currently the site is undeveloped. If annexed, the parcel would be zoned Single Family Residential (RS-6.5). The smaller parcel is part of an approved planned development on property between the railroad tracks and the Albany Santiam Canal, west of Moraga Avenue SE. The property owner is annexing the property at the request of the City to make the city limits boundary more orderly. The land is already set aside as open space for the planned development. If annexed, the property would be zoned Single Family Residential (RS-6.5).

If annexed, funding for any required public infrastructure improvements needed to serve new development on these properties would be the primary responsibility of the property owners.

*(Submitted by Helen Burns Sharp,
Community Development Director, City of Albany)*

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST
THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

City of Albany

Measure No. 22-43

Measure No. 22-44

BALLOT TITLE

MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF PROPERTIES EAST OF CLOVER RIDGE ROAD

QUESTION: Shall five parcels totaling approximately 27 acres on the east side of Clover Ridge Road be annexed?

SUMMARY: Approval of this measure would annex approximately 27 acres to the City of Albany. The property to be annexed is located on the east side of clover Ridge Road. Upon annexation, the zoning would be RS-6.5 (Single - Family Residential).

The text of the measure is as follows:

The following described real property, all located in Linn County, Oregon, shall be annexed to the City of Albany upon obtaining a favorable majority vote of the people.

The property generally located on the east side of Clover Ridge Road, shown on Linn County Assessor's Map No. 11S-03W-03B; Tax Lots 300, 400, 500, 600, and 700, as further described in the attached legal description labeled Resolution Exhibit A. The subject properties contain 27 acres, more or less.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Annexation Proposal – Ballot #22-43. The Albany City Charter was amended in 1998 to require that annexation proposals be referred to Albany voters. Accordingly, the Albany City Council has referred to the Albany voters the question of annexation for five parcels east of Clover Ridge Road NE. The total area of the five parcels is approximately 27 acres.

The property owners are requesting annexation in order to be eligible to connect to public utilities and to further develop the site should the opportunity arise. Currently the parcels are each developed with one single family house. If annexed, the parcels would be zoned Single Family Residential (RS-6.5).

If annexed, funding for any required public infrastructure improvements needed to serve new development on these properties would be the responsibility of the property owners.

*(Submitted by Helen Burns Sharp,
Community Development Director, City of Albany)*

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

BALLOT TITLE

MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY AT 440 CLOVER RIDGE ROAD

QUESTION: Shall the 4.98-acre parcel located at 440 Clover Ridge Road be annexed?

SUMMARY: Approval of this measure would annex approximately 4.98 acres to the City of Albany. The property to be annexed is located at 440 Clover Ridge Road NE. Upon annexation, the zoning would be RS-6.5 (Single - Family Residential).

The text of the measure is as follows:

The following described real property, all located in Linn County, Oregon, shall be annexed to the City of Albany upon obtaining a favorable majority vote of the people.

The property generally located at 440 Clover Ridge Road NE, shown on Linn County Assessor's Map No. 11S-03W-04AB; Tax Lot 901, as further described in the attached legal description labeled Resolution Exhibit A. The subject property contains 4.98 acres, more or less.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Annexation Proposal – Ballot #22-44. The Albany City Charter was amended in 1998 to require that annexation proposals be referred to Albany voters. Accordingly, the Albany City Council has referred to the Albany voters the question of annexation for one 4.98-acre parcel west of Clover Ridge Road NE.

The property owner is requesting annexation in order to be eligible to connect to public utilities and to further develop the site should the opportunity arise. Currently the parcel is developed with one single family house. If annexed, the parcel would be zoned Single Family Residential (RS-6.5).

If annexed, funding for any required public infrastructure improvements needed to serve new development on this property would be the responsibility of the property owner.

*(Submitted by Helen Burns Sharp,
Community Development Director, City of Albany)*

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

City of Albany

Measure No. 22-45

BALLOT TITLE

MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY AT 155 COUNTRY CLUB LANE

QUESTION: Shall the 2.18 acre portion of the Spring Hill Country Club surrounding the clubhouse be annexed?

SUMMARY: Approval of this measure would annex approximately 2.18 acres to the City of Albany. The property to be annexed is the area immediately surrounding the existing clubhouse and associated facilities located at 155 Country Club Lane NW (Spring Hill Country Club). Upon annexation, the zoning would be RS-10 (Single-Family Residential).

The text of the measure is as follows:

The following described real property, all located in Linn County, Oregon, shall be annexed to the City of Albany upon obtaining a favorable majority vote of the people.

The property generally located at 155 Country Club Lane NW, shown on Benton County Assessor's Map No. 10S-03W-31; Tax Lot 400, as further described in the attached legal description labeled Resolution Exhibit A. The subject property contains 2.18 acres, more or less.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Annexation Proposal – Ballot #22-45. The Albany City Charter was amended in 1998 to require that annexation proposals be referred to Albany voters. Accordingly, the Albany City Council has referred to the Albany voters the question of annexation for a 2.18-acre area surrounding the existing clubhouse at the Spring Hill Country Club on the north side of Country Club Lane NW in North Albany.

The Country Club agreed to be annexed when it became eligible in return for connecting to the City's sanitary sewer system. Because the property was not within the Urban Growth Boundary, it was not eligible for annexation. Recently, the Urban Growth Boundary was amended to include the area around the clubhouse, so it is now eligible for annexation. Currently, the property is developed with a clubhouse, swimming pool, parking lot, and other amenities. If annexed, the parcel would be zoned Single Family Residential (RS-10).

If annexed, funding for any required public infrastructure improvements needed to serve new development on this property would be the responsibility of the property owners.

*(Submitted by Helen Burns Sharp,
Community Development Director, City of Albany)*

NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST
THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

City of Corvallis

Measure No. 02-44

BALLOT TITLE

MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF THE COHO COHOUSING PROPERTY

QUESTION: Shall the 7.98-acre Coho Cohousing property, located north of Alexander Avenue and east of Crystal Lake Drive, be annexed?

SUMMARY: Approval of this measure would annex 2 parcels of 6.82 acres and 1.16 acres of adjacent street, for a total of 7.98 acres, into the City of Corvallis. The property to be annex is located north of SE Alexander Avenue and east of SE Crystal Lake Drive. The property would be zoned RS-6 (Low Density Residential).

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The 7.98-acre area proposed for annexation is located at the northeast corner of SE Alexander Avenue and SE Crystal Lake Drive. The area includes 1.16 acres of Alexander Avenue and Crystal Lake Drive rights-of-way, and 6.82 acres of land proposed for residential development. Upon annexation, zoning would be Low Density Residential (RS-6), consistent with the existing Comprehensive Plan designation of Low Density Residential. The RS-6 zoning permits Low Density Residential development at 2-6 units per acre.

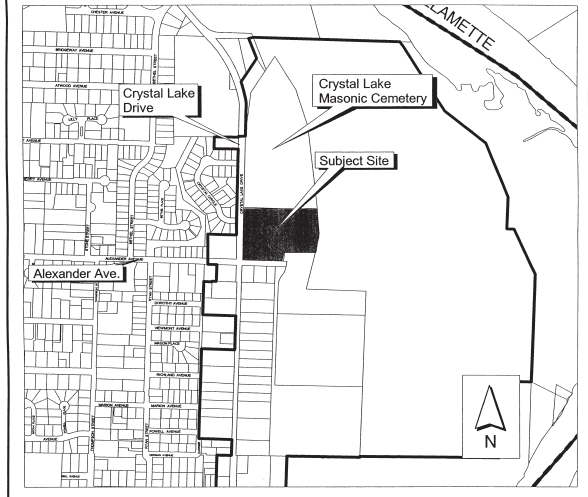
Annexation requests are required to include a drawing to illustrate how the site could be developed. The applicant's drawing was submitted in the form of a General Land Use Plan. This Map indicates areas for the development of a community with up to 30 dwellings, parking, and common areas and facilities. If annexed, development would occur consistent with the zoning of the property, which is reflected on the General Land Use Plan.

This project was analyzed for possible development impacts to wetland, tree, and habitat resources; for compatibility impacts; and for potential traffic impacts. Analysis included consistency with the City's adopted Master Plans for items such as transportation, parks, trails, sewer, water, and storm drainage.

The eventual need to annex and develop this land was originally identified in 1980 when the Corvallis Urban Growth Boundary was established. This need was reaffirmed in 1998, with acknowledgement of the City's Comprehensive plan update. City ordinances specify that developers will be responsible for on-site and off-site costs associated with street and utility improvements needed for land development projects. Infrastructure that would be necessary to serve development on the property includes improvements to local streets, storm drainage/water quality facilities, and the extension of water and sanitary sewer lines.

The City Council 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 Monroe Avenue) and the Community Development Department at City Hall (501 Madison Avenue, 766-6908), e-mail: planning@ci.corvallis.or.us.

COHO COHOUSING ANNEXATION



(Submitted by the City of Corvallis)

NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

City of Corvallis

Measure No. 02-44

ARGUMENT FOR

Corvallis Neighborhood Housing Services (CNHS) is a local, nonprofit community development corporation committed to the creation of affordable housing and economic opportunity for lower income families. About a year ago the Benton County Commissioners made an important decision in support of affordable housing: they decided to sell a parcel of county-owned land on SE Crystal Lake Drive to CNHS on the condition that we create affordable homeownership opportunities within a mixed-income housing development. Since that time CNHS has also secured an agreement to buy an adjacent parcel of land. On this combined 6.82 acres of developable land we plan to build 30 to 35 townhouse-style homes in partnership with CoHo Cohousing.

Some of the benefits of our proposed housing project include:

- *Provides much needed affordable housing* – Our goal is to sell 30% to 50% of the homes to first-time home buyers with low to moderate incomes.
- *Proximity to the central city* – This property is unique in being one of the closest properties to the center of town that is zoned for housing and has not been annexed. Responsible development of the site is consistent with community values that favor compact development patterns over sprawl.
- *Preserves important natural features on the site* – The site includes stands of trees that form wildlife habitat and corridors that connect to Willamette Park, as well as a corner meadow in which camas grows in the spring. To preserve these areas, housing and parking will be clustered and more than half the site will be left as open space.
- *Innovative design* – We are very pleased to be partners with a group of home buyers who are committed to both “green building” and creating a strong and supportive neighborhood.

For more information about Corvallis Neighborhood Housing Services please visit our website at www.corvallisnhs.org.

*(This information furnished by
Corvallis Neighborhood Housing Services)*

ARGUMENT FOR

Approval of this annexation will allow a cohousing community to be built in Corvallis. Cohousing communities are neighborhoods designed to encourage connections among neighbors and de-emphasize the automobile in the neighborhood. They offer a compact, efficient use of land and preserve more open space. This type of housing is currently not available in Corvallis.

CoHo Cohousing has been looking for property to build a cohousing neighborhood for several years. This location is ideal because it is close to town, the university, grocery and other businesses, and next to an existing busline and bike lanes. Residents will be encouraged to bike, walk, use the bus system or carpool.

CoHo will consist of 30-35 townhouse units (no single-family unattached homes) clustered at the north end of the property with pedestrian walkways between structures. Residents will own their own home and share a common house. Parking will be at the north end of the property so neighborhood streets will not be heavily impacted. No streets will run through the property. This minimizes resource use and paved surfaces and preserves more natural habitat.

CoHo strives to use environmentally sustainable practices and reduce impact on the environment by sharing resources, reusing, repairing and recycling. Location within the city allows CoHo to take advantage of curbside recycling.

CoHo is not a commune or a gated community. People from all walks of life are interested in living in CoHo: singles, couples with and without children, single parents, grandparents, retirees, students and working people.

CoHo strives to be a model for development that puts people and neighborliness first, that balances private and shared space, and that considers the environment when making decisions.

A “yes vote” for the annexation would allow CoHo and Corvallis Neighborhood Housing Services, a local, private nonprofit developer, to build a people-oriented, environmentally-friendly neighborhood close to town and city services. Learn more at www.cohousing-corvallis.com

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City of Corvallis

Measure No. 02-45

BALLOT TITLE

MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF THE SPARROW HILL PROPERTY

QUESTION: Shall the 5.86 acre Sparrow Hill property, located north of West Hills Road and west of 53rd Street, be annexed?

SUMMARY: Approval of this measure would annex 5.86 acres into the City of Corvallis. The property to be annexed is located north of West Hills Road and west of 53rd Street. The Comprehensive Plan designation for the property would be changed from Medium Density Residential to Low Density Residential. The property would be zoned PD(RS-6) (Low Density Residential with a Planned Development Overlay).

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The 5.86 acre area proposed for annexation is located north of West Hills Road and west of 53rd Street. Upon annexation, the Comprehensive Plan Map would be changed from Medium Density Residential to Low Density Residential. The resultant zoning would be Low Density Residential with a Planned Development Overlay PD(RS-6). The City's Comprehensive Plan permits Low Density Residential development at 2-6 units per acre.

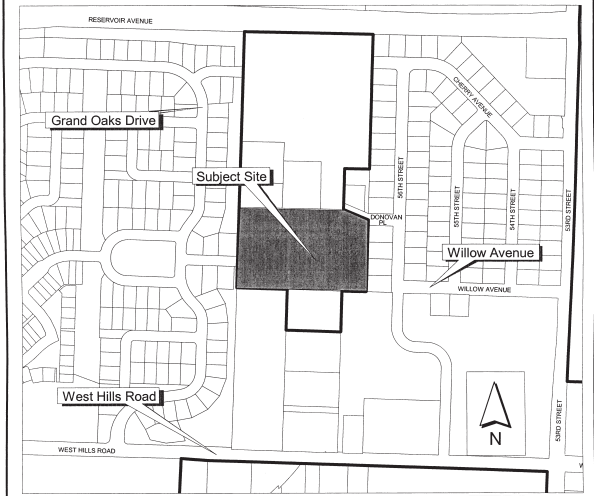
Annexation requests are required to include a drawing to illustrate how the site could be developed. The applicant's drawing was submitted in the form of a Detailed Development Plan. This Plan would allow for 26 single family homes, with existing significant trees preserved within the rear yards of the proposed private lots. If annexed, development would occur consistent with the zoning of the property.

This project was analyzed for possible development impacts to tree, hillside, habitat, and drainageway resources; for compatibility impacts; and for potential traffic impacts. Analysis included consistency with the City's adopted Master Plans for items such as transportation, parks, trails, sewer, water, and storm drainage.

The eventual need to annex and develop this land was originally identified in 1980 when the Corvallis Urban Growth Boundary was established. This need was reaffirmed in 1998, with acknowledgement of the City's Comprehensive Plan update. City ordinances specify that developers will be responsible for on-site and off-site costs associated with street and utility improvements needed for land development projects. Infrastructure that would be necessary to serve development on the property includes new local streets and sidewalks, stormwater detention facilities, and the extension of water and sanitary sewer lines.

The City Council 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 staff reports, and Planning Commission and City Council hearing minutes, are available at the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library (645 Monroe Avenue) and the Community Development Department at City Hall (501 Madison Avenue, 766-6908), e-mail: planning@ci.corvallis.or.us

Sparrow Hill Annexation



(Submitted by the City of Corvallis)

**NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST
THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.**

City of Corvallis

Measure No. 02-48

BALLOT TITLE

MEASURE PROPOSING ANNEXATION OF THE WITHAM OAKS PROPERTY

QUESTION: Shall the 96.35-acre Witham Oaks property, located on the north side of Harrison Boulevard, be annexed?

SUMMARY: Approval of this measure would annex approximately 96.35 acres into the City of Corvallis, including 94.62 acres of private property and 1.73 acres of Harrison Boulevard and Circle Boulevard rights-of-way. The property to be annexed is located on the north side of Harrison Boulevard, east of Walnut Boulevard, and south of Witham Hill Drive. The Comprehensive Plan Designation for the property would be changed from 94.62 acres of Low Density Residential to 57.75 acres of Low Density Residential and 36.87 acres of Open Space - Conservation. Also upon annexation, the property would be zoned in a combination of 57.75 acres of PD(RS-6) (Low Density Residential with a Planned Development Overlay), and 36.87 acres of PD(AG-OS) (Agriculture - Open Space with a Planned Development Overlay).

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The 96.35-acre area proposed for annexation is located on the north side of Harrison Boulevard, west of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, and east of Walnut Boulevard. The area includes 1.73 acres of Harrison Boulevard and Circle Boulevard rights-of-way, and 94.62 acres of land proposed for residential development and open space. Upon annexation, the Comprehensive Plan Map would identify 57.75 acres of the area as Low Density Residential, and 36.87 acres as Open Space - Conservation. Zoning District changes would follow these designations and add a Planned Development Overlay zone to the property. Resultant zoning would be 57.75 acres of Low Density Residential with a Planned Development Overlay (PD(RS-6)), and 36.87 acres of Open Space - Agriculture with a Planned Development Overlay (PD(AG-OS)). The City's Comprehensive Plan permits Low Density Residential development at 2-6 units per acre.

Annexation requests are required to include a drawing to illustrate how the site could be developed. The applicant's drawing was submitted in the form of a General Land Use Plan. This Map indicates areas for the development of single family homes, and areas zoned for Open Space-Agriculture. The Plan includes areas set aside for wetlands, drainageways, and oak forest preserve. If annexed, development would occur consistent with the zoning of the property, which is reflected on the General Land Use Plan.

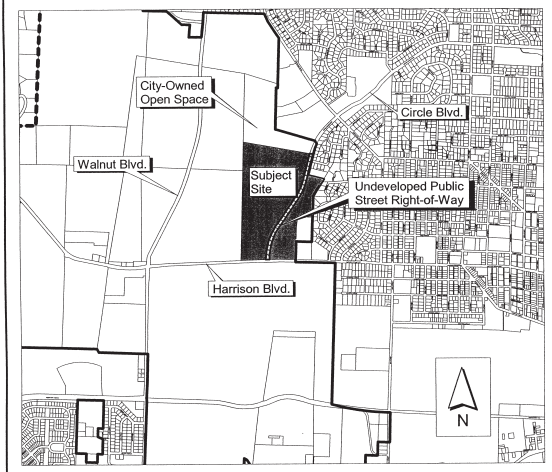
This project was analyzed for possible development impacts to wetland, tree, hillside, habitat, and drainageway resources; for compatibility impacts; and for potential traffic impacts. Analysis included consistency with the City's adopted Master Plans for items such as transportation, parks, trails, sewer, water, and storm drainage.

The eventual need to annex and develop this land was originally identified in 1980 when the Corvallis Urban Growth Boundary was established. This need was reaffirmed in 1998, with acknowledgement of the City's Comprehensive Plan

update. City ordinances specify that developers will be responsible for on-site and off-site costs associated with street and utility improvements needed for land development projects. Infrastructure that would be necessary to serve development on the property includes the extension of Circle Boulevard to Harrison Boulevard, new local streets, stormwater detention facilities, and the extension of water and sanitary sewer lines, **all subject to a detailed development plan review at a later date.**

The City Council 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 Monroe Avenue) and the Community Development Department at City Hall (501 Madison Avenue, 766-6908), e-mail: planning@ci.corvallis.or.us.

Witham Oaks Annexation



(Submitted by the City of Corvallis)

City of Corvallis

Measure No. 02-48

ARGUMENT FOR

Neighbors Vote Yes for Witham Oaks – Vote Yes for Measure 02-48

As a neighbor to the Witham Oaks site and student at Oregon State University, I am voting yes on Measure 02-48 because the current proposal for additional open space and preservation of the natural features is better than what could happen if it is not annexed. As a neighbor who walks this site and enjoys the tree covered hillsides, I understand this could be lost under County standards.

The developer has agreed to set aside over 36 acres of the land as Open Space Conservation and cluster future development in the center of the site. If not annexed, the property can be developed under County land use and State forestry rules. I do not want to see this happen. I care about this property. I care about open space and bike paths. And I care about trees and wetlands.

I also support the proposal because it reduces sprawl and will add bicycle and pedestrian paths. This is important to all of us neighbors who commute to OSU and work and use the paths for recreational purposes. County regulations do not provide these benefits.

I are voting YES on Measure 02-48. Please join me in making the right decision for this property.

Tassay Stephens

(This information furnished by Tassay Stephens)

ARGUMENT FOR

Vote Yes for Open Space – Vote Yes for Witham Oaks Annexation

I am supportive of development and annexation proposals that include assurances for additional open space and preservation of highly valued natural features within our community. With the Witham Oaks Annexation, adjacent to the Frager Open Space managed by the City, almost 40% of the entire site will be designated as an Open Space-Conservation Area. This approach is a first for this property. These are the types of development proposals that enable smart growth and conservation to occur in a way that balances economic and ecologic values. I serve as a volunteer citizen member of the City's Open Space Commission because I value our open spaces. They provide habitat, public access, support agriculture and forest practices, and make Corvallis a beautiful place to live and work.

We should also recognize that this development proposal is one of the first to implement use of the City's Natural Feature Inventory. As proposed, the annexation will ensure preservation of the highly valued Oregon White Oak trees on the hillsides and the wetlands along Harrison Boulevard. This is an opportunity we should act on and use as a model for future development proposals.

If not annexed, the current property owner retains control of the property and it could be developed under County regulations. This could contribute to sprawl, habitat fragmentation and loss, limit public access to open space, and reduce our ability to grow responsibly. Is this what we want to see in our community? Let's take the proactive approach and support proposals that enable smart growth and dedicated protection of those natural resources we value.

If you value open space and preservation of natural features, please vote YES on Measure 02-48.

Janine Salwasser

(This information furnished by Janine Salwasser)

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City of Corvallis

Measure No. 02-48

ARGUMENT FOR

Vote Yes for a Sustainable Community – Vote Yes for Measure 02-48

Corvallis is a growing, vibrant, beautiful community that prides itself on abundant open spaces, strong educational values and being one of the country's most bicycle and pedestrian-friendly cities. As part of this growing community, we want to create a neighborhood that works with these values and provides benefits for the City as a whole. We have been working closely with members of the bicycle, open space and parks communities to offer the best solution for the future of this property.

If Witham Oaks is incorporated into the City of Corvallis, we will protect and enhance the land in the following ways:

- place almost 40% of the site in **open space-conservation**;
- protect the **Oregon White Oaks, wildlife habitat and hillsides**;
- provide **additional bike and pedestrian linkages**;
- create a neighborhood that works with the City's **pedestrian oriented** design guidelines at the same density as the surrounding neighborhoods.

A **YES VOTE ON MEASURE 02-48** will:

- **protect the Oregon White Oaks** from an uncertain future;
- **prevent unwanted development** under County standards;
- **ensure future development is compatible** with the City's goals and values;
- provide a needed **transportation link and help ease congestion**; and
- **add tax dollars for the schools, police, fire and emergency services.**

We believe we have the best plan for this property. It provides numerous benefits to the citizens of Corvallis and ensures a sustainable future for this property.

Please join us in voting **YES ON MEASURE 02-48.**

Dennis Pahlisch and Terri Valiant

(This information furnished by Terri Valiant & Dennis Pahlisch)

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ARGUMENT FOR

Witham Oaks Annexation Has Multiple Benefits for Corvallis

I have not seen any recent annexations in Corvallis that provide the benefits that Witham Oaks is offering to Corvallis voters. The total acreage under consideration for development totals 94.62; the developer is setting 36.87 acres into Open Space Conservation – approximately 40 % of the total acreage. The Open Space Conservation Overlay will protect the majority of the Oregon White Oaks and most of the wetlands on the site. This is an important component on why this Annexation should be approved; however, there are also other reasons why this property should be annexed.

If we do not vote to support the annexation of this property we are virtually supporting the very thing we all agree should not happen in Corvallis: sprawl. Sprawl is very costly. Future developments will need to hop this area, which will increase our costs for need infrastructure such as sewer, streets and water extensions. We will also extend our City further out from core services and therefore place a demand on auto dependency, another cost that we all should be concerned about.

As a Board member on the Corvallis Environmental Center, a member of the Corvallis Neighborhood Housing Services board of directors, a professional in the park and open space field, and a supporter of smart growth, please join me in supporting the Witham Oaks Annexation, an annexation that will preserve the Oaks, while placing housing and City services in an area planned for thoughtful growth.

Jerry Davis

(This information furnished by Jerry Davis)

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City of Corvallis

Measure No. 02-48

ARGUMENT FOR

**Protect Trees and Wetlands, Create Needed Housing,
Ensure Local Control
Vote YES on Measure 02-48**

Corvallis voters have an exciting opportunity to protect and enhance the Witham Oaks property by incorporating it into the City of Corvallis.

We see a proposal that will protect Oregon White Oak trees and wetlands on the south side of Witham Hill, while improving Corvallis' housing situation. We see a commitment to bicyclists and pedestrians, who will benefit from a path running through the property. Legend Homes has a solid reputation in our community and will provide much needed housing while protecting the natural features of the land.

One of our most pressing economic development needs is housing. Many Corvallis workers commute into town, burdening our regional infrastructure, adding to traffic and pollution problems and taking away from our schools and city services. On several occasions, potential primary wage employers have chosen not to locate in Corvallis, in part because of housing issues. Other homegrown businesses at the point of expansion have chosen to take their companies and jobs elsewhere. Housing also plays a key role in their reasons for leaving. We need to improve our overall housing stock at all income levels for the sake of our economic health.

Once the property is incorporated, the community at large will have the opportunity to work with the city and Legend Homes as they plan the details of the development. Incorporation will give the citizens of Corvallis more power over those details than they would ever have should the property remain under County jurisdiction.

Don't miss this great opportunity to improve the City of Corvallis. Please vote YES on Measure 02-48.

James Ford
Julie Manning
Jason Henson
Doris Johnston
Frank Trombetta
Todd Washington
Doug Ingalls
Board of Directors, Corvallis Chamber of Commerce
The Chamber Business Advocacy Committee

*(This information furnished by
the Corvallis Chamber of Commerce)*

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ARGUMENT FOR

Preserve the Oak Trees – Vote Yes for Measure 02-48

We are voting yes on the Witham Oaks annexation because we think it is important to have **greater control** over what happens on this property. Annexing this land will ensure the beautiful Oregon White Oak trees are preserved. A YES vote will **preserve trees, hillsides and wetlands and add open space** for all of the residents of Corvallis to enjoy.

As neighbors of the property, we were alarmed when the current owner obtained a permit to clear-cut the beautiful white oak trees from the property and expressed his intention to develop the land under county zoning standards. Corvallis residents have long regarded this area as a scenic treasure within the urban growth boundary.

Voters have the power to decide how Corvallis will grow. **Voters have the power to preserve the beauty of the Witham Oaks property by voting YES to annex this site into the City of Corvallis. We need to protect the White Oak trees, not cut them down.**

If this annexation is approved, Pahlisch / Legend Homes has agreed to buy the land and **designate almost 40 percent of the property as permanent open space for protection of trees, wetlands and scenic areas.** The rest of the land would be developed into a nice community with new homes, located toward the center of the property with trees and wetlands surrounding them.

Pahlisch/Legend Homes has a well-deserved reputation for developing quality communities with open space, very nice homes and recreational opportunities. An attractive and well planned community with almost 40% of the site in open space is better than the alternative.

We are confident that neighbors of the property and all of the residents of Corvallis will benefit if Witham Oaks is annexed to the city and developed in a manner that preserves trees, wetlands, and open space and creates additional recreational opportunities for future generations.

Please join us in voting YES on Measure 02-48 on the November 2 ballot.

Gene and Mary Parker

(This information furnished by Gene Parker)

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City of Corvallis

Measure No. 02-48

ARGUMENT FOR

PROTECTING URBAN FORESTS AND MORE OPEN SPACE:

Vote YES on Witham Oaks Annexation

With the Witham Oaks annexation proposal, Corvallis voters have a rare opportunity to set aside more open space within the city and preserve tree-covered hillsides, steep slopes and wetlands on this site. This proposal may be our last opportunity to exert more control over how this property develops than we would be able to have if it is not brought into the city. Voting YES on the Witham Oaks annexation measure will ensure that approximately 40% of the site is set aside as Open Space-Conservation.

Because it is within the urban growth boundary, there is not question that this property is going to be developed at some point. The only issue is how and when. Unlike earlier proposals, this annexation will increase the amount of open space available to Corvallis residents and prevent sprawl by providing reasonable development adjacent to existing city neighborhoods. This is smart growth and consistent with the goals that Corvallis residents have long valued.

As a member of the Corvallis Parks and Recreation Commission and the Civic Beautification and Urban Forestry Commission (but speaking only for myself), I am keenly aware that our need for open space and the preservation of significant Oregon White Oaks far outstrips our ability to purchase land for those purposes. In this case, the applicant is willing to purchase the property, then give almost 40% of the land to the public, thereby preserving the majority of the threatened oaks there. The benefits of tree protection and open space offered by this proposal make it far more worthy of acceptance than any previous annexation request.

This is an opportunity that should not be lost. I urge you to join me in voting YES on Measure 02-48.

Kent Daniels

(This information furnished by Kent Daniels)

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ARGUMENT FOR

Preserve Trees, Wetlands and Open Space: Vote YES on 02-48

Measure 02-48 will ensure the preservation of **Oregon White Oak trees, hillsides, wetlands and open space** for all of the residents of Corvallis.

Voters have the power to preserve the beauty and open space of the Witham Oaks property by voting YES on Measure 02-48, incorporating the property into the City of Corvallis.

If Measure 02-48 is approved, Pahlisch/Legend Homes has agreed to buy the land and **designate 40 percent of the property as permanent open space for protection of trees, wetlands and scenic areas.** The rest of the land would be developed into new homes, clustered in the center of the property and buffered from surrounding neighborhoods by tree preserves and wetlands. **Additional connections to the existing bicycle and pedestrian path that runs through the property will be provided for the enjoyment of all Corvallis residents.**

Legend Homes has a well-deserved reputation for quality development that incorporates natural features such as trees and wetlands, gives ample consideration to environmental and aesthetic concerns, and provides for additional recreational opportunities such as paths and parks.

Bicyclists, pedestrians and all of the residents of Corvallis will benefit if Witham Oaks is incorporated into the city and developed in a manner that preserves trees, wetlands and open space for future generations.

Please join us in voting YES on Measure 02-48 on the November 2 ballot.

Citizens for a Livable Corvallis

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City of Corvallis

Measure No. 02-48

ARGUMENT FOR

SUPPORT EFFORTS FOR BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIONS – VOTE YES ON MEASURE 02-48

I support the Witham Oaks annexation request because the applicant's efforts to recognize and meet the needs of cyclists and pedestrians have been outstanding. As a long time advocate for bikes and pedestrians and current **Chair of the Corvallis Bike and Pedestrian Commission**, it's refreshing to experience developers who are enthusiastic and energetic in their efforts to make Corvallis an even greater bicycle and pedestrian community.

If the annexation is approved, the builders have agreed to make additional connections to the current multi-use path through the property and work with OSU to connect with the much used Campus Way path. I'm proud to live in a community that attracts developers who value bicycling and walking.

Please join me in voting yes on Measure 02-48.

Greg Bennett

(This information furnished by Greg Bennett)

ARGUMENT AGAINST

This hasty annexation request from Pahlisch Homes (acting for Legend Homes) is devoid of a detailed development plan, or even a basic conceptual plan. This annexation request pre-empted the final public hearings in the City and County for the Natural Features Inventory and the adoption of its ordinances by the City and County.

A THREAT: The owner of the land threatens to clear-cut the property if the land is not annexed. Using a threat to coerce voters to annex land sets a terrible precedent. City Planning staff said the city already has enough land zoned for low density housing to meet projected demand. There is presently more than a twenty year supply of such land in the city.

NO DEVELOPMENT PLAN: Voters have only vague information about the number of homes (up to 346) that could be built, and an incomplete traffic report. Questions such as: where does Circle Blvd cross the property (in the wetlands, which is the existing right-of-way?), and will the \$600,000 multi-use path remain for recreational use, are big issues that should be addressed before a vote to annex.

SERIOUS TRAFFIC IMPACT: Building 346 houses would add 1335 cars a day to Harrison Blvd and 1615 cars a day to Circle Blvd with impacts far from the development. Circle Blvd west of Highland, and Harrison west of 30th already carry over 15,000 cars a day.

POOR SITE FOR DEVELOPMENT: Steep slopes, fragile wetlands, as well as soil and drainage problems make developing Witham Oaks difficult and expensive, precluding low cost housing there. Stormwater runoff from the property threatens the OSU Dairy operation, Oak Creek, and adjacent neighborhoods.

LOSS OF INFLUENCE: As voters are aware, once land is annexed to the city, citizens have little, or no, ability to influence the developer on significant, and controversial, issues.

Vote NO on the Witham Oaks Annexation (Measure 02-48).

This information furnished by Citizens Against Witham Oaks Annexation, 3800 N.W. Harrison Boulevard, Corvallis.

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Citizens Against Witham Oaks Annexation)*

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City of Corvallis

Measure No. 02-48

ARGUMENT AGAINST

Dear Corvallis Citizens,

The Witham Oaks (Frager) property should be acquired for open space rather than annexed for the development of unneeded, high-end homes. It is perfectly suited to be another gem in Corvallis' "green necklace".

For many years, people have requested that the City purchase this beautiful property for open space; in fact, many voters believed that the entire acreage was included in the open space bond of 2000. This time around, after defeating the annexation measure, let's concentrate on purchasing the property and preserving it for all to enjoy.

Past actions regarding this property have divided and frustrated voters. Annexation requests have repeatedly been defeated, yet voters feel that their wishes are ignored when new requests for annexation keep surfacing. Whenever this property changes hands, the new owner is aware of its history. It is not the obligation of voters to annex land for the profit of an individual.

Corvallis does not need more high-end housing. Harrison Boulevard is inadequate to handle the traffic that 340 new homes would generate. The property in question is composed of fragile wetland, oak savanna and view-shed. The Corvallis Natural Features Inventory has not yet been completed, so it is premature to make decisions regarding development of the land.

Finally, we must never allow our votes to be influenced by threats or coercion, as reported in the Gazette Times in May. It is always better to vote one's conscience than to set a precedent of acquiescing to intimidation.

It is ironic that an idyllic property has been such a thorny problem for so many years. Now is the time for all sides to work together on a solution that benefits the entire community.

The solution is still not annexation.

This information furnished by Marian Anderson, Sherri Bird, Jim Conklin, Jan Dymond, Eric Gullerud, Gail Howe, Colleen Merickel, Daryl Monk, Elizabeth Raney, Michael Rauscher, Joyce Sanders, Cynthia Shaner, Clifford Smith, Rod Terry, Jerry Ward, and others.

(This information furnished by Colleen Merickel)

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School District No. 509J (Corvallis), Oregon

Measure No. 02-46

BALLOT TITLE

FIVE-YEAR OPERATING LOCAL OPTION TAX

QUESTION: Shall the District be authorized to levy a local option tax of \$1/\$1,000 valuation for five years beginning in 2005-2006? The measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

SUMMARY: This measure authorizes the District to levy property tax at a rate of \$1.00 per thousand dollars assessed valuation each year commencing the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005 for five consecutive years. The District estimates that this measure would raise approximately \$1,765,000 in tax revenues in each of the five years of the levy. The taxes would be used for educational programs, textbook adoption, and instructional materials. This measure replaces the \$3,000,000 a year Local Option Levy approved by voters in November 1999 that raised \$1,400,000 in tax revenues in fiscal year 2003-04. The additional estimated tax revenues of \$365,000 a year would be dedicated specifically to fund textbook adoption and instructional materials.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This levy would renew the Local Option Levy passed by voters in 1999. It also includes an increase of no more than \$.24 per dollar of assessed value. The money from this tax levy would be used to help maintain educational programs and services and to fund purchases of textbooks and instructional materials.

Specifically, the additional estimated tax revenues of \$365,000 per year would be dedicated to fund textbook adoptions and the purchase of instructional materials. Many classrooms in the district do not have enough textbooks for every student. On the average, textbooks are 14 years old, with some more than 30 years old. If this levy were approved, over the next seven years, the Corvallis School Board plans to follow the annual state textbook adoption cycle and replace all old texts.

What will happen if this levy fails?

Since the passage of Ballot Measure 5 in 1990, the district lost over 190 teachers to budget cuts, and has seen significant reductions in counseling, music, art, PE, elective and extra-curricular activities. Without the tax levy, 509J would have fewer services and resources that provide education for the children of the Corvallis community.

How will my property taxes change if I vote yes?

Since the passage of Ballot Measure 50 in 1997, the amount each property owner would pay for local option tax levies varies. The maximum tax rate would be \$1.00 per thousand of assessed value. For more information, check the school district web site—www.csd509j.net.

Is this the long-term answer?

Passage of this ballot measure would help maintain the current level of services. Because the local option levy is effective for only five years, it is not a long-term answer to school funding. It is, however, a choice Corvallis voters can make about their level of support for education in the immediate future.

(Submitted by Jeanne Holmes, Human Resources Director, Corvallis School District 509J)

ARGUMENT FOR

Since the passage of property tax limitation measures in the 1990s, Corvallis Schools have reduced their teaching staffs by 40% and eliminated or reduced many essential programs. On the average, textbooks are 14 years old, with some more than 30 years old.

This levy is both a renewal and an enhancement of what voters passed in November 1999. Without the passage of this levy, given the uncertainty of funding from the state, our children will see fewer teachers in their schools, larger class sizes and further reductions of critical programs.

In addition to the current \$.76 per thousand of assessed property value, which provides about \$1.4 million per year, the levy will include an increase of up to no more than \$.24 per thousand (approximately \$365,000 per year). This increase will be dedicated specifically to purchasing new textbooks following the state textbook adoption cycle.

As a community, we take pride in the quality of our schools. Our students score higher than average on state tests, and SAT scores rose once again last year. Our dropout rates are among the lowest in the state. Corvallis students and staff continued to be recognized at the state and national level for their achievements in academics and the arts. None-the-less, budget cuts over the past 13 years have reduced the breadth of opportunities and decreased individual attention in our classrooms. To keep our community vibrant and competitive, we need to continue to support educational excellence.

The local option levy is one of the few avenues we have to exercise local control of school funding. A yes vote means we won't need to cut an additional \$1.4 million from the school district budget. Please join us and other concerned citizens in voting yes for Measure 02-46. Our kids are counting on us.

Mike Beilstein
Charles Creighton
Peg Cornell
Cyrel Gable
Patrick Hayes
Bob Holt
William Kemper
Julie Manning
Kathleen Muravez
Kathleen Petrucela
Robby Robson
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Community Members for Quality Schools)*

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School District No. 509J (Corvallis), Oregon

Measure No. 02-46

ARGUMENT FOR

We are community members who are asking you to join us in voting yes on Measure 02-46, which both continues and enhances local support for the Corvallis School District.

Although some of us don't have children in the public schools, we support this measure because we value the connection between strong schools and a strong community.

Local realtors will confirm that questions about the quality of local schools and health care often top the list of those contemplating a move to our community. Corvallis has benefited from excellence in both these areas, which helps our strong core of major employers and local businesses recruit and retain their workforces. And when these professionals retire, they often choose to stay in Corvallis because the quality of life is so compelling.

Although we still have much to be proud of in our schools, they have suffered under the property tax limiting measures of the 1990s. Corvallis schools have 40 percent fewer teachers now than they did 13 years ago, a much greater reduction than the slowly declining enrollment would merit. Among those particularly impacted are professionals who help enhance the classroom experience: counselors, librarians, and specialists in physical education, art and music.

Yet Corvallis students still succeed. Standardized test scores remain above the state average, and the high school drop-out rate is among the lowest in Oregon. This is a tribute to the district's faculty and staff as well as parents and the extended community.

Measure 02-46 is a visible means of that support. First, it will continue the current local option levy which provides approximately \$1.4 million of direct classroom support annually. Second, an enhancement to the current levy will dedicate approximately \$365,000 each year to the purchase of long-deferred new textbooks and other instructional materials.

Measure 02-46 deserves your support and is a valuable investment in our community and its future.

Corvallis Kids Count! Members

(This information furnished by Corvallis Kids Count!)

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ARGUMENT AGAINST

509J Non-Classroom Spending Exceeds Other Oregon School Districts

Schools in Oregon are well funded compared to other states. We spend more per capita than 75% of states. Within this rich environment, 509J spends more outside the classroom than nearly all others.

Compare 509J to nine other districts closest to 509J in terms of numbers of students. These districts are: Bethel, Centennial, Klamath, Lake Oswego, Lincoln, McMinnville, Redmond, Three Rivers, and West Linn/Wilsonville.

* **509J spending** on benefits in comparison to salaries is **greater than eight of the others**. If 509J were at the average of the others, 27 more teachers could be hired.

* **509J spending** on salaries for non-teacher overhead staff is **greater than eight of the others**. If 509J were average, 20 more teachers could be hired.

* **509J spending** on Supplemental Retirement for employees (a benefit over and above PERS) is **greater than all nine of the others**. If 509J were average (per student), 14 more teachers could be hired.

* **509J spending** for salaries for coaches, music directors, etc. is **greater than seven of the others**. If 509J were average (per student), 4 more teachers could be hired.

If all these reductions are implemented together, placing 509J at, or slightly above averages for comparison districts, 40 to 45 more teachers could be hired. This would reduce class size 16% to 18%, with no cost increase. See detailed analysis results at www.bentonsentinel.com.

Unfortunately, 509J ravaged budget areas that directly affect classroom instruction to pay for these areas of excess spending. District 509J spends only 64 cents per year, per student on textbooks. The other nine districts spend an average of \$32.57. None spends as little as 509J.

As long as taxpayers send more money to 509J, excessive spending driven by union demands and bureaucratic overhead growth will continue. Vote NO on the Operating Levy. Force 509J to reduce non-classroom spending.

*(This information furnished by
Corvallis Citizens for Good Government)*

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School District No. 509J (Corvallis), Oregon

Measure No. 02-46

ARGUMENT AGAINST

Vote No On 509J Operating Levy That Funds Excessive Spending

Why are there fewer teachers and larger classes in 509J in view of rising or flat revenues and decreasing student populations? Citizens for Responsible School Funding (CRSF) analyzed 10 years of 509J budgets and found two main causes. First, there is excessive spending for health and retirement benefits. 509J benefits cost much more than national averages per U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (<http://www.bls.gov>). Second, there are too many non-teaching overhead employees.

See www.bentonsentinel.com for our complete analysis. The following is a brief summary:

- * **\$1.3 million could be saved** by no longer paying 6% PERS retirement contributions intended for employees to pay.
- * **\$1 million could be saved** if employees paid \$229 per month for family health care (national average per BLS) rather than the \$28 to \$55 currently paid.
- * **\$3.9 million could be saved** by reducing non-teaching overhead staff to levels deemed very adequate in relatively unconstrained tax-and-spend years before Measure 50 placed limits on spending. In 1990, five teachers were supported by 3 overhead staff; now there are 4, a 33% increase.
- * **\$6.2 million:** total excess spending per year

We presented this data to the School Board last January. What resulted? Very little. Small reductions in spending are being attempted in a few areas during negotiations with the teacher's union. But 509J proposals only slow expansion of the \$6.2 million excess spending. They don't reduce it.

Rich benefits aren't justified as compensation for low salaries. Senior teachers in 509J receive \$57,740 annually, \$38 per hour worked. Mid-range teachers receive \$43,010 annually, \$28 per hour.

The message is clear; citizens must bring about fiscal responsibility in 509J budgets by voting NO on requests for additional operating levies to fund excessive spending. The 509J District is incapable of resisting demands for greater spending as long as taxpayers continue sending more money.

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Citizens for Responsible School Funding)*

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Philomath School District 17J

Measure No. 02-47

BALLOT TITLE

PHILOMATH SCHOOL DISTRICT 17J ELECTION BYLAWS CHANGE

QUESTION: Shall the Directors of the Philomath School District be elected at large and not by the current population zones?

SUMMARY: Approval of this measure provides for a bylaw which allows the voters of the Philomath School District to elect the Directors of the Board of Trustees on an "at large" basis. This is a change in the current manner in which Board members are elected.

The proposed change in the bylaw will allow all Directors of the Board of Trustees to be elected "at large." This means that the entire Philomath School District voting population will vote on every member of the Board, and that any member of the Board may reside anywhere within the Philomath School District.

Consistent with the previous bylaws, the number of Directors on the Board of Trustees will remain as five positions. Re-elections for Board positions will occur, as follows:

- Position No. 1: Spring 2005, and every four years thereafter
- Position No. 2: Spring 2007, and every four years thereafter
- Position No. 3: Spring 2005, and every four years thereafter
- Position No. 4: Spring 2005, and every four years thereafter
- Position No. 5: Spring 2007, and every four years thereafter

According to Oregon Revised Statute 332.122 – Nomination of directors; qualification "In common school district and union high school districts, the directors may be nominated at large by position number by the electors of the district" and ORS 332.124 – Election at large unless zoned; "All candidates shall be elected at large in the district unless the district school board provides for election from zones under ORS 332.126."

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- Position No. 3: Spring 2005, and every four years thereafter;
- Position No. 4: Spring 2005, and every four years thereafter;
- Position No. 5: Spring 2007, and every four years thereafter.

The "at large" option will take effect if it receives the largest number of affirmative votes in this election.

(Submitted by Pete Tyana, Superintendent)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Philomath School District 17J has determined that the current bylaw is inconsistent with Oregon Revised Statute. The district is recommending a change in order to be in compliance with statutes as well as providing the voters of the district with clearer guidelines for the election process. This is a change in the current manner in which Directors are elected to the Board of Trustees for the Philomath School District 17J. The bylaw change allows the voters of the Philomath School District to elect members of the Board of Trustees on an "at large" basis and eliminate the complex issues related to population zones in the election process.

Background Information

In 1980, the voters of the Philomath School District approved a bylaw for the election of school district directors by population zones. The intent of this bylaw was to divide the district into 5 zones with equal population and then elect one Director for each zone. Every ten years, the federal government conducts a census survey at which time the district is required to redesign zones to meet the changing population pattern. This is a financial burden on the district as well as creating an uncertainty within the voting population about the constant change in zones every ten years. Furthermore, there is no one simple solution to create zones with equal population distribution because of the uniqueness of the Philomath School District attendance area.

NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

Philomath School District 17J

Measure No. 02-47

ARGUMENT FOR

We support a Yes vote for a bylaw change which will allow for the election of future Board members on an "at large" format instead of the current format by zones. Over the past year the district reviewed state election statutes and discovered that the current election format of zones is illegal because of the manner in which the voting population is distributed. The two current zones of Blodgett (Zone 4) and Kings Valley (Zone 5) do not have enough voters to meet the standard for representation.

Through public meetings in Blodgett and Philomath options were gathered and discussed. There are two possible ways of addressing our current inequity and complying with state law.

- 1) Continue with the current election by zones. However, the zones would have to be redrawn to have an equal number of voters in each zone. This would mean that the current Kings Valley and Blodgett zones would have to extend well into the City of Philomath to equalize the populations of each zone. Additionally, these zones would have to be redrawn every ten years with each new census. This process would cost time, money and could add confusion and ill will over where the lines would be drawn.
- 2) Have all five school board members elected "at large". Anyone within the PSD boundaries could run and all PSD voters could choose from this slate. No zones would have to be drawn or redrawn.

Because of state law the one thing we can not do is maintain the status quo. Though change can be painful, change we must. The Philomath School Board has spent many hours on this topic and feels that "at large" representation is the best option for fairness and cost-effectiveness. We the undersigned recommend a Yes vote.

This argument furnished and paid for by:

- Betsy Anderson Chair Philomath School BD 179
- Rose Cook Vice Chair Philomath School BD 179
- Carmen Martin Past Chair Philomath School BD 179
- Rick Wells Philomath School Board Member 179

(This information furnished by Betsy Anderson)

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Benton Soil and Water Conservation District

Measure No. 02-43

BALLOT TITLE

PERMANENT TAX RATE LIMIT

QUESTION: Shall the District have a permanent rate limit of \$.05 per \$1000 assessed value beginning fiscal year 2005-2006?

SUMMARY: Increased requests for conservation services from Benton County landowners, managers and citizens are exceeding the Benton Soil and Water Conservation District's (District) current capacity. The District, created in 1956 to provide educational and technical assistance to help Benton County citizens and communities, does not have sufficient resource to serve the increased workload. District programs and services promote voluntary actions to improve surface and groundwater quality, prevent soil erosion, enhance fish and wildlife habitat, control invasive and noxious weeds and improve urban and rural streams. Funds from this measure will enable the District to maintain current services, such as the native plant sale and naturescaping program, provide increase conservation technical support for Benton County citizens, expand the educational and outreach programs already underway within Benton County schools, citizen groups and individuals, and support District operations. The permanent rate limit would cost the owner of a \$100,000 home \$5.00 a year. The proposed rate will raise approximately \$250,000 in the first year.

called Making Ripples in some Corvallis schools with an unmet need to include other schools throughout Benton County, holds workshops and tours, conducts a conservation poster contest in area schools and cooperates in joint education programs with other partners. The District holds an annual native tree and shrub sale to provide plant materials at reasonable cost.

Cooperation with other organizations to help find ways and means to accomplish objectives remains an important commitment of the District. As an example, the District is the local management agency for the Mid Willamette Agricultural Water Quality Plan and Administrative Rules that apply to all non-forested land in the county. The Oregon Department of Agriculture relies on us to carry out this program on a local level through education and technical assistance.

The District wishes to continue to provide Benton County citizens the conservation services they need. A permanent rate will allow this to occur. We are committed to offer assistance to all through maintaining a local presence and influence. This is why we have taken this important step to ask you for a permanent rate. All funds will be used for services in Benton County.

(Submitted by Benton Soil & Water)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Over the past several years, local, state and national governmental financial constraints have led to a major reduction in our funding. At the same time, population growth, loss of farmland and urban sprawl have contributed to increased pressure on our natural resources and enhanced need for conservation services. The Benton Soil and Water Conservation District is committed to continue to provide these services and is asking for your help. The District, created in 1956, exists to provide services to rural and urban citizens, the County, cities, special districts and watershed councils. The demand created for these important services now exceeds the monetary resources to provide them. The permanent rate of \$0.05 per \$1000 of assessed value will raise funds that will enable the District to continue its operations and provide the services.

The District is locally organized and self-governing under Oregon statutes with a board of seven volunteer elected directors representing five zones and two at large positions. Services include providing direct technical assistance on conservation issues and projects, helping to prepare project applications, getting appropriate and necessary permits, managing and monitoring projects, and doing conservation planning including assistance to the Natural Resources Conservation Service to carry out farm bill programs. Identifying, describing and cataloging fish passage barriers has become a large concern and the District is developing a great deal of information on this and working closely with the County Department of Public Works on their culvert program.

Conservation education needs have greatly increased and to address them the District puts out a quarterly newsletter, conducts a "Building Community through Water Quality" program

Benton Soil and Water Conservation District

Measure No. 02-43

ARGUMENT FOR

Please help support conservation in Benton County by voting YES on Measure 02-43. The Benton Soil and Water Conservation District has been a leader in conservation efforts for the past 50 years. Their work with local landowners, farmers, small woodland owners and students has helped to protect water quality, improve fish passage, offer valuable assistance on farm management practices and educate students about how watersheds function.

As a conservation professional and resident in Benton County I have worked closely with the SWCD on a number of projects. They serve as a vital link between landowners, technical assistance and a variety of funding programs that help landowners carry out on the ground conservation in our communities. Having a local source of technical assistance and education is critical to carrying out habitat restoration, water quality improvements and fish passage projects in our communities.

As citizens of Benton County we value the important farmland, forests, open spaces, streams and wetlands that enhance our lives. The work of the SWCD has helped to protect and enhance these valuable resources for urban and rural residents for five decades. The locally elected board of the SWCD is committed to working with their neighbors and conservation partners to protect the health of the natural resources and citizens of Benton County.

A nickel for conservation will help them continue these vital services with local funding. All money raised from this measure will be spent to protect and enhance water quality, fish habitat, soil quality, streamside habitats and watersheds in Benton County. Please join me in voting yes on Measure 02-43 !

Funded by:

Karlene McCabe

(This information furnished by Karlene McCabe)

ARGUMENT FOR

- The Benton Soil and Water Conservation District (BSWCD) needs and deserves our support.
- We think that five cents per \$1000 assessed property value is a great investment for the future.
- A vote in favor of measure 02-43 is good for Benton County, good for the environment and good for our kids.
- Since its formation in 1956, the BSWCD has provided Benton County residents with technical and educational assistance for the conservation and enhancement of our natural resources.
- The BSWCD has helped cities and individual landowners improve wildlife habitat, diminish pollution of our streams and rivers, adopt environmentally friendly farming and timber practices, and develop numerous educational programs in our public schools.
- Over the past several years, however, as the need for the services of the BSWCD has increased, financial constraints at the local, state and national levels have led to a funding shortfall for the District.
- The BSWCD needs our support to continue to meet the needs of our county residents.
- The voters of three Willamette Valley Soil and Water Conservation Districts (Polk, Marion, Yamhill) have passed similar measures in their counties to support conservation. So should we.
- Remember, the revenues generated by this measure will be spent in Benton County, helping our residents to conserve and enhance our natural resources and helping our children learn to appreciate and respect the environment.
- A vote in favor of measure 02-43 is a vote for the environment and for our future.

This information furnished by the Friends of Benton Soil and Water Conservation District
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Benton Soil and Water Conservation District

Measure No. 02-43

ARGUMENT AGAINST

The Benton Soil and Water Conservation District (BSWCD) is Benton County's most obscure, odd, and obsolete government entity.

Few people know what it does. After wading through its web-site, annual report, and a lot of mumbo jumbo about its "partnerships" and the entities it "supports", you eventually realize that it gives advice. That is it! It gives advice about water and soil issues, and how to get government grants dealing with those issues. It has three employees, and operates on an annual budget of nearly \$200,000, mostly funded by other government entities.

The public nominally elects BSWCD's seven directors, but oddities of this district make it hardly representative. Its directors are elected from geographic zones. Corvallis and Philomath are in one zone and constitute 70% of the district's population, yet get only one board representative. And, even more bizarre, each director must own and/or actively manage at least 10 acres of county land. Small landowners need not apply.

At present, BSWCD must justify itself to its funding agencies including Benton County and the State of Oregon. Those agencies could increase the district's funding if appropriate. Their failure to do so is a message worth heeding. The proposed tax is a permanent property tax, not a temporary one. It gives permanent independence to BSWCD. BSWCD would no longer be accountable to anyone but itself.

Established in 1956, BSWCD is now obsolete. To the extent it provides advice and educational services, Benton residents can obtain free information about soil and water issues from multiple sources including: OSU Extension, the public works departments of Corvallis or Benton County, Corvallis or OSU libraries, local nurseries, and the internet.

So what will BSWCD do with \$250,000 in new tax money? Essentially, beyond the rhetoric, we will simply get more of the same. Nothing new, just more of the same.

Vote NO on this unnecessary tax.

(This information furnished by David Grappo)

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ARGUMENT AGAINST

The request being made by the Benton Soil and Water Conservation District (District) for a tax is not needed and should be looked at as a blank check. Currently, no projects are being turned away due to lack of staff and yet one of the possibilities being discussed by the board is adding staff with the extra money. The director positions are elected voluntary seats, with an additional 3.5 paid staff positions. Since most of the current activities are compliance and regulatory driven, any extra needed funding should come first from relevant federal and state sources rather than local taxpayers having to provide the money to keep external agendas going. Regulatory agencies rely on BSWCD as a liaison between the public and government groups; thus, any funding needed for legitimate projects can be found from those groups or through other income generating activities like the tree sales to make the district more self-supporting. In sum, this tax is not needed and would create an unnecessary obligation because we can increase educational and technical programs without it. The board of directors is elected to represent you; let them know that this is not what you elected them for. In addition to being unnecessary, this would also be a permanent tax request; once adopted, it will not go away.

(This information furnished by Eric Horning, BSWCD director)

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Benton County

Commissioner, Position 2

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**JAY
DIXON**
DEMOCRAT



**HOSANNA
U.V.
BRODERICK**
PACIFIC GREEN

OCCUPATION: Benton County Commissioner.

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

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: BS, University of San Francisco; Pacific Program, University of Oregon.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Chair, Corvallis Budget Commission, Willamette Criminal Justice Council, Corvallis Community Policing Forum; Vice Chair, Cascades West Council of Governments; Executive Committee, Region 4 Workforce Development Board, Benton County Commission on Children and Families; Commissioner, Linn-Benton Housing Authority; Corvallis School Board; Oregon Community Corrections Commission; National Association of Counties Justice and Public Safety Committee; Association of Oregon Counties Public Safety Committee; Corvallis-Benton County Economic Vitality Partnership; OSU Business Alliance; LBCC Business & Supervisory Management Committee.

Creative Solutions...On Affordable Health Care

"We established a federally financed community health center to expand services at Lincoln and Monroe health clinics."

Creative Solutions...On Crime

"During my term we've reduced juvenile crimes in Benton County 40%. I'll keep working with the Willamette Criminal Justice Council, criminal justice agencies, and others to reduce crime."

Creative Solutions...On Streamlining Government

"We've eliminated expensive administrative positions while maintaining key services. We've lowered county property taxes and increased reserves."

Creative Solutions...On Economic Vitality

"I sponsored a Benton County "buy locally" policy, helped form the Economic Vitality Partnership, and lead local business retention efforts."

Jay Dixon...The Right Choice for Benton County Commissioner!

Endorsed by Congressman Peter DeFazio, District Attorney Scott Heiser, Sheriff Jim Swinyard, Helen Berg, Philomath Mayor Chris Nusbaum, Former Monroe Mayor Floyd Billings, Albany City Councilor Doug Killin, Corvallis Area Chamber of Commerce, Oregon Chapter of the Sierra Club, Basic Rights Oregon, Oregon NOW Equality PAC, Linn-Benton-Lincoln Labor Council, AFSCME Local 2064, ONA Nurses employed by Benton County.

(This information furnished by Dixon for Commissioner)

OCCUPATION: Mother; Small Business Owner, Pint Sized Pea Coats; Employee, ARC of Benton County Philomath.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Professional child care provider; crew leader/trainer; union member; craft fair vendor. Community Involvement: First Alternative Co-op; Greaseworks Biodiesel Co-op; Benton County HOUR Exchange; Blodgett Elementary School.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: selected coursework, University of California at Davis, California College of Arts and Crafts.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Citizen activist; lobbying, canvassing, monitoring government meetings; grassroots organizing.

I, **Hosanna U.V. Broderick**, offer my time and talents to serve you as a Benton County Commissioner. I work best as part of a team and with my experience in facilitation and conflict resolution, I can provide leadership and innovative solutions for Benton County.

I stand for election as a Pacific Green:

- To demonstrate alternative political solutions emphasizing cooperation, environmental and economic sustainability and long-term vision
- To challenge Democrats and Republicans to take a broader, more holistic approach to governing the affairs of people and corporations
- To embody my civic ideals of optimism, bravery and fair play

I want to enrich city neighborhoods and maintain a vibrant urban core in the heart of our county. I want to ensure the independence and unique character of our rural communities.

I call for our local government to reinvent the revenue base for public services by:

- Creatively competing in the economic marketplace
- Utilizing Oregon's high-tech resources to pioneer our own alternative, renewable technologies

I call for a strong local government to protect all of our region's significant natural features.

I call for protecting and developing our sources of water, food and fuel and maintaining a security bank of these necessities.

I stand for local self-sufficiency and participatory democracy as a response to an increasingly powerful federal government.

In the name of peace, plant a victory garden, help a neighbor and

Vote Broderick for Benton County.

Call 750-0020 to volunteer.

www.pacificgreens.org

(This information furnished by Broderick for Benton County)

Benton County

Commissioner, Position 2



**RANDY
KILLEN**

REPUBLICAN

OCCUPATION: Developer; Community Volunteer.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: From 1983-1994 Randy was a partner in the general contracting and development firm, Killen Construction. From 1994 until the present time, Randy has been the owner and manager of Killen Development, LLC.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Sprague High School; Walla Walla College.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Randy does not have any prior government experience. He will come into office with fresh ideas and the motivation to make positive change.

Randy Killen's dedication to our community is rooted in years of selfless volunteer work within Benton County.

- AYSO soccer coach
- Meals on Wheels volunteer
- Community outreach facility developer volunteer
- Corvallis sister city program

Randy Killen listens to us and understands our concerns:

Economic Stimulus- To stimulate growth we must encourage investment in our county. In order to promote this new investment we must keep tax rates constant and reduce or eliminate costly county fees wherever possible. It is important to streamline the county bureaucracy to cut costs for local businesses and local tax payers. As commissioner, I will look at offering tax credits and incentives aimed at bringing new business into our area. In addition, I will work with Oregon State University to develop more local business research coordination that will attract federal research grant dollars that will result in new Benton County jobs.

Tax- In the current tenuous position of our local economy, I do not support the creation of any new taxes. Employers in our community can not afford to be restricted in their hiring of new employees and the expansion of their current employee benefits by more taxes.

RANDY KILLEN
BRINGING NEW LIFE TO BENTON COUNTY

(This information furnished by The friends of Randy Killen)

Commissioner, Position 3



**ANNABELLE
JARAMILLO**

DEMOCRAT

OCCUPATION: Benton County Commissioner.

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

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

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Twenty-nine years of government service including local, state, and federal boards, commissions, committees. Currently serves on Association of Oregon Counties Public Lands Committee; Council of Forest Trust Land Counties; Governor's Law Enforcement Contact Committee; Governing Board, Community Services Consortium; Bureau of Land Management Resource Advisory Committee; Coast Range Province Advisory Committee, Oregon Progress Board.

Community Service Boards: United Way of Benton County; American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon; Mary's Peak Natural Resources Interpretive Center; Foster Grandparents; Economic Development Partnership. Serves on Philomath College Community Corporation Advisory Group.

Annabelle Jaramillo knows Benton County residents value their neighbors, good jobs and a clean, healthy environment.

Annabelle Jaramillo works with U.S. Senator Ron Wyden, Congressman Peter DeFazio and Congresswoman Darlene Hooley to secure federal funding for health services, roads and environmental habitat restoration.

Annabelle Jaramillo is respected. Governor Ted Kulongoski, Secretary of State Bill Bradbury, State Treasurer Randall Edwards, Attorney General Hardy Myers endorse her.

Annabelle Jaramillo has strong local support. Sheriff Jim Swinyard, District Attorney Scott Heiser, Former Monroe Mayor Floyd Billings, Helen Berg, Cliff Trow, Barbara Ross and Van Hunsaker acknowledge her efforts.

Annabelle Jaramillo is endorsed by Basic Rights Oregon, NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon, Oregon NOW Equality PAC, Oregon Chapter Sierra Club, Oregon Black Political Convention, ONA Nurses employed by Benton County, Corvallis Area Chamber of Commerce, Linn Benton Lincoln Labor Council, AFSCME Local 2064.

"When I asked for your vote in 2000, I committed to providing leadership and good stewardship for Benton County. ***I want to continue this work!*** I am committed to a vision of Benton County where we and future generations can experience rich and rewarding lives."

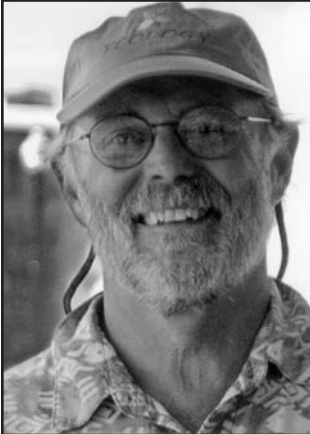
Annabelle Jaramillo

Re-Elect Annabelle Jaramillo Benton County Commissioner

Jaramillo for Commissioner, 541-758-8523, annabellejaramillo.com

*(This information furnished by
Jaramillo for Commissioner Committee)*

Benton County	City of Adair Village
Commissioner, Position 3	Adair - Council
<div data-bbox="130 296 439 730" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="486 411 693 609" data-label="Text"> <p>DAVID E. SMITH REPUBLICAN</p> </div> <p>OCCUPATION: Industrial Distribution. OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Educator: Writer/ Executive Producer of flight training programs; Ricks College: flight education; 6th grade teacher, Western Samoa. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Oregon State University: Ph.D. in Education; Brigham Young University: M.S. Industrial Education; San Jose State University: B.A. Elementary Education. PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: County (CA) Commissioner on drug abuse; Reserve deputy sheriff: received letters of Commendation in the line of duty; Ambassador Family: Evergreen Hometown Celebration; Seasonal Ranger, Rocky Mountain National Park; Mayor: Teachers' Village (Western Samoa)</p> <p>Why I'm Running: HOMOSEXUAL MARRIAGE VIOLATES THE LAW! Incumbent commissioners are out of touch with the voters! Ms. Jaramillo has blatantly violated state law by ordering issuance of marriage licenses to gay and lesbian couples (marriage is defined by the state as "one man and one woman") Jaramillo broke the law — again — by refusing to issue marriage licenses to ANYONE! She obviously has little regard for the law — she's determined to press her own agenda. Say "No!" to rogue commissioners!</p> <p>As your commissioner, I'll bring a centrist, common sense approach to county government. Expect honesty, trust and realistic solutions to the challenges found within our county services. Let's be cautious and not pander to the extremes, left or right, without examining the real needs and concerns of our mainstream voters.</p> <p>EXCESSIVE TAXATION Incumbents repeatedly push to raise taxes! Doubling vehicle registration fees and building a super-jail aren't the answer. I'll work to make government more efficient and more accountable. I'll fight ALL taxes not supported by mainstream voters!</p> <p>PUBLIC SAFETY: We must not combine local law enforcement. What we save on the budget, we lose in public safety, consolidation of agencies is not a safe compromise.</p> <p>LOCAL BUSINESS: I'm determined to reduce the quagmire of red tape and excessive fees when applying for permits! Let's support local businesses while encouraging new jobs and services.</p> <p>Sensible People for Sensible Government – Vote David E. Smith, Ph.D.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">www.VoteDave.com</p> <p><i>(This information furnished by Smith for Commish Committee)</i></p>	<div data-bbox="758 296 1066 730" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="1095 394 1337 625" data-label="Text"> <p>H. JAIME DÁVILA SR. NON-PARTISAN</p> </div> <p>OCCUPATION: Translator. OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Metallurgist, Construction Developer. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: LBCC - Associate on Science on Metallurgy. PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Adair Village - Councilor; Planning Commission Member; Willamette Criminal Justice System Member; Benton County Police Review Committee; Benton County Economic Development Partnership member.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(This information furnished by H. Jaime Dávila Sr.)</i></p>

City of Albany	City of Corvallis
City Councilor, Ward 1	City Council, Ward 1
<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 150px; margin: 0 auto; text-align: center; padding: 10px;"> <p>NO PHOTO SUBMITTED</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"> <p>DOUG KILLIN</p> <p>NON-PARTISAN</p> </div>	<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"> <p>JERRY DAVIS</p> <p>NON-PARTISAN</p> </div>
<p>OCCUPATION: Rental Property Owner. OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Cannery Worker; High School English Teacher; Disciplinary Vice Principal. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: BS Ed. Western Oregon University; M.Ed. University of Oregon. PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Teacher, Cascade Union High 1963-65; Teacher, Greater Albany Public Schools 1966-1975; Vice Principal, GAPS 1975-1994; Albany Planning Commission 1994-96; Albany City Council 1997-2004.</p> <p>Doug is concerned about</p> <p>Streets Albany's arterial streets have been repaired. Our residential streets have serious problems. Albany has a backlog of more than seventy million dollars in local street repair.</p> <p>Business and Jobs Business and industry are our lifeblood. The Albany-area unemployment rates continues to soar. We must continue to enhance the local business climate to attract, retain, and create good family-wage jobs.</p> <p>Grocery Shopping We must make West Albany, Downtown, and North Albany attractive and available to supermarkets, pharmacies, and other stores so that investors will chose to place stores in those areas.</p> <p>Historic Preservation Albany has a rare treasure: more historic houses in one area than any city between San Francisco and Seattle. These homes give us identity, preserve our past, and attract tourist dollars. We must see that these treasures are preserved.</p> <p>Trees Homes, businesses, and trees can coexist and be of mutual benefit! With careful planning, it is not necessary to clear-cut a lot before it is sold for development. Trees provide beauty, oxygen, and texture to the Albany landscape.</p> <p>While Doug has been on the Council, he has been a leader in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rebuilding seven major streets: Salem, Santiam, Elm, 34th, 5th, N. Albany Rd., and Hill Reversing a City Staff decision to abandon the airport Building a water system which will serve Albany for many, many years Preserving Albany's trees with a full-time arborist Creating an urban renewal program with no increase in property taxes <p>As a candidate who is running for re-election, I appreciate your trust. Doug Killin</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(This information furnished by Douglas Killin)</i></p>	<p>OCCUPATION: Director, Benton County Natural Areas and Parks. OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: County Parks Director (18 yrs.); City of Centralia Parks Director (7 yrs.); downtown property developer. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: B.S., Forestry, OSU PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: McDonald Forest Recreational Advisory Committee; President, DaVinci Days Board of Directors; Vice President, Benton County Historical Society; Advisor, Greenbelt Land Trust Board of Directors; Corvallis Neighborhood Housing Services Board; Corvallis Environmental Center Board; Cascade Pacific Resource Conservation & Development Board.</p> <p>JERRY DAVIS knows our community. Jerry has lived and worked in Corvallis since 1986. His years of experience working with a wide variety of people and interests make him uniquely qualified to represent the diverse neighborhoods of our ward. Jerry knows how to get the job done; he understands local government. He has a record of success in building consensus to achieve positive results for our entire community, such as acquiring and developing Fort Hoskins Historic Park, Beazell Memorial Forest, and Fitton Green Natural Area. He'll be an effective city counselor we can be proud of.</p> <p>JERRY DAVIS supports good land-use planning. Jerry believes that our best economic development tool is the Corvallis Comprehensive Plan, which reflects the hopes and dreams of all the citizens who created it as the blueprint for our town's sense of place. He supports sustainable development, neighborhood livability, and predictability and fairness in standards and processes for developers and property owners.</p> <p>JERRY DAVIS is committed to a healthy downtown. Jerry knows that in this age of shopping malls and big-box retailing, keeping our downtown strong and vibrant takes work. He's owned and redeveloped downtown property, and believes that city government can help in providing a positive, supportive environment that encourages private investment and a thriving business climate. Our wonderful Riverfront and more downtown housing can further enliven and enhance downtown as the heart of our community.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JERRY DAVIS: EXPERIENCE, EFFECTIVENESS, COMMUNITY SERVICE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JERRY DAVIS FOR CITY COUNCIL WARD 1</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(This information furnished by Jerry Davis for City Council)</i></p>

City of Corvallis

City Council, Ward 1



**ROD
DECKERT**
NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Retired newspaper editor.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: City editor of the Corvallis Gazette-Times in the 70s; editor of the Gazette-Times in the 80s; managing editor of the Albuquerque (New Mexico) Journal in the 90s.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: University of Northern Colorado, BA, Liberal Arts.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Member of Corvallis Open Space Commission.

I'm running because I believe it is possible to balance growth with protection of our natural resources.

I am in favor of:

- Stimulating growth in new jobs;
- Adopting protections for natural areas such as oak groves and streamside areas;
- Expanding shopping choices;
- Investing in Downtown as the city's hub;
- Expanding off-street bike paths to better protect riders, runners and walkers;
- Efforts to create OSU Research Park.

I would apply fiscal prudence to the city's operating budget by trying to live within the annual revenue available. Raising taxes should be a last option.

Looking farther ahead, we could:

- Build an outdoor amphitheater, perhaps near downtown and the Willamette, to be used for a warm-weather music series.
- Build a pedestrian bridge over the river to connect the Downtown riverfront park with parks on the Linn County side.

In my personal life, I'm a runner, an avid reader, an organic gardener and a Beaver Believer. I am married with three grown children who attended Corvallis schools.

As a representative of Southwest Corvallis, I would do my homework, get out and about in the city to see and hear things for myself, be accessible and return my phone calls.

I have lived in Corvallis for 14 years, in Ward 1 for 8 years and have been active in neighborhood land-use and annexation issues. I believe in citizen involvement because it's among the best of Corvallis traditions. If you don't speak up you forfeit something precious – your ability to shape your city.

Rob Deckert
Ward 1 candidate

(This information furnished by Rob Deckert for Ward 1)

City Council, Ward 2



**PATRICIA
DANIELS**
NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Retired editor.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Production Editor, *Comparative Literature*; Field Representative, Senator Ron Wyden, Communications Specialist, Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development; school administrator; teacher; Peace Corps volunteer.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: B.A., English, UC Berkeley; M.A., Comparative Literature, University of Oregon.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Corvallis Planning Commission (Chair, 1996, 2000); Corvallis Open Space Commission; Chair, Natural Features Scoping Project; Community Policing Forum; Economic Development Allocations Committee.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: President, North College Hill Neighborhood Association; Board Member, Benton-Linn ACLU.

**PATRICIA DANIELS FOR CITY COUNCIL
WARD 2**

As your city councilor, my top priorities will be

Listening to citizens and colleagues. Citizen participation and respect for public process should be the hallmarks of our community.

Building workable partnerships with OSU, students, and the adjacent neighborhoods. I'll work to encourage an ongoing, positive relationship built on the assumption that healthy neighborhoods and a thriving university campus are both crucial to our town's livability.

Acting to support a flourishing downtown. I support the Downtown Corvallis Strategic Vision Report and will work to implement its recommendations.

Dear Ward 2 Neighbors,

The next City Council will face significant challenges. Foremost among these is the city's financial situation. Serious budget decisions will have to be made, with long-term consequences for years to come. If elected, I'll use the above priorities to help guide my thinking as I work with citizens, staff, and fellow councilors throughout the budget process.

I have lived in Corvallis and Ward 2 for over 20 years. I believe in livable neighborhoods, meaningful citizen involvement, and sound land-use planning that keeps the faith with citizens who helped develop our Vision Statement and our Comprehensive Plan. I'm running for Council because I want to help continue the efforts of the many, many people who have contributed over the years to making Corvallis a great place to live.

Sincerely,
Patricia Daniels

*(This information furnished by
Patricia Daniels for Council Committee)*

City of Corvallis

City Council, Ward 3



**GEORGE
C.
GROSCH**

NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Project manager of OR211 (paid).

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Informational & Referral Specialist, Benton County Health Dept. 1990 - 2003 (paid).

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Bachelors of Professional Studies, State University of New York at Brockport NY.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Corvallis City Council Ward 1, 1998 - 2002 (volunteer) Corvallis City Council Ward 3, 2003 - present (volunteer).

Friends

Thank you for the opportunity to serve Ward 3 as your City Councilor. I truly appreciate listening and responding to your questions comments and concerns. Come see me at my regular Ward meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of the month (except July and August) at 7:00 p.m. in the Tunison Fire Station Community Room.

The 05 - 06 term of the City Council will make significant decisions regarding the future of South Corvallis and the City. I will continue to use and apply the following principles to guide my decision making:

- Ecological Wisdom
- Social Justice
- Nonviolence
- Community-Based Economics
- Grassroots Democracy
- Respect for Diversity
- Gender Equity
- Personal & Global Responsibility
- Sustainability

In the next two years I hope to see the addition of more retail shopping opportunities in South Corvallis, the installation of medians along S. Third Street, and the approval of Master Plans for the Herbert and Caldwell Open Space properties. I will work closely with the South Corvallis Neighborhood Association to improve and enhance the image and environment of our community.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you on the City Council. If you have questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely

George C Grosch
720 SE Atwood Ave
Corvallis OR 97333
740-4333

(This information furnished by George C. Grosch)

City Council, Ward 4



**JACKSON
CASSADY**

NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Assistant Director, Extended Campus, Oregon State University - Corvallis, Oregon.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Instructional Designer, IBT Technologies - Austin, Texas; Instructional Designer, TrainUtopia - Austin, Texas; Education Specialist, Education Service Center Region XIII - Austin, Texas; History Teacher, Westwood High School - Austin, Texas; Bilingual Teacher, Campbell Elementary - Austin, Texas.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: University of Texas at Austin; B.A. Spanish, Minor History.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Corvallis City Council Ward 4.

Corvallis owes its unique and beautiful character to the passionate, talented, and dynamic members of its community. Without the continued efforts of these dedicated residents our city would be unable to preserve, let alone enhance, the livability we enjoy. Our ability to thrive in the face of constant change requires consistent and active participation on all fronts. Our families, our schools, our businesses, and our future as a vital city depend on our ability to turn complacency into commitment, competition into partnership, and ideas into action. We cannot rely on outside entities to dictate our fate and define our quality of life. Nor can we afford to assume our interests will be protected unless we make the effort.

Like many, I live in Corvallis because it is Corvallis. I am here for my eight-year-old son. I am here for the established character of the community. I am here for the creative energy of its citizens. I am here for the opportunity to realize our potential. I cannot take these things for granted. I am committed to continuing my service to our community with the diligence and professionalism it deserves. By honoring our diverse voices and promoting thoughtful, civil discussion I will continue to work to make Corvallis a city we can all celebrate.

(This information furnished by Jackson Cassady)

City of Corvallis

City Council, Ward 4



**CHARLES
TOMLINSON**

NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Business Manager, Harrison House Bed and Breakfast.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Sales, Finance, Marketing.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: BA, Alma College, MBA, University of Hartford.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Corvallis City Council 1999-2002.

I ask for your vote to serve as your City Councilor.

During my four years as City Councilor, we accomplished the following:

- Helped form the College Hill Neighborhood Association
- Re-energized the North College Hill Neighborhood Association
- Advocated for the College Hill Historic District
- Assisted with traffic calming measures on 30th Street and Jackson Avenue and bike lanes on Harrison Blvd
- Helped Samaritan Village receive tax relief
- Supported the passage of ASOSU's request for a rental housing ordinance
- Assisted the Cedarhurst neighborhood with storm water issues
- Convened quarterly Ward meetings to understand and act upon neighbor's concerns
- Expanded Parking District A to enhance on-street parking
- Engaged the Corvallis School District during the Harding School closure process
- Worked with ASOSU to facilitate better relationships with students and neighbors
- Served as the campaign chair to pass the 2000 Open Space Bond Measure
- Fostered better relationships between Oregon State University and the City by serving on various OSU committees and as the ASOSU Council liaison
- Served as the Council President and Vice-President.

In the next two years, my agenda is to work with neighbors and advocate for your interests to the City Council and City staff. I know the ward values our quality of life, the environment and education. Specifically, I will continue to work with:

- OSU, the Council and City staff to represent students and neighbors in areas of law enforcement, parking and traffic
- the Corvallis School District regarding Harding School
- the Council and City staff to protect environmentally sensitive areas
- neighbors to understand and act on your concerns
- our neighborhood associations and ASOSU to further their goals

I ask for your support and vote this November.

(This information furnished by Charles Tomlinson)

City Council, Ward 5



**ROB
GÁNDARA**

NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: President, Corvallis City Council; Product Development Engineer, Senior Member of Technical Staff, Hewlett Packard Corporation; President, Opera Theater Corvallis; Director, Musician, Musica de la Gaita; Owner-Worker, First Alternative Natural Foods Cooperative Grocery; Server, Grempey's Restaurant.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Tour Captain, Board Member, 1988-2000, Mid Valley Bicycle Club, Corvallis, Oregon; Principal Engineer, Semiconductor Operations, 1984-1995, Digital Equipment Corporation, Hudson, Massachusetts; Board Member, Musician, 1988-1989, 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: Corvallis Budget Commission, Community Policing Forum, Urban Services Committee, Commission for Martin Luther King Jr., Community Alliance for Diversity, Downtown Corvallis Association, Downtown Parking Commission, Sister Cities International Corvallis.

Candidates Statement:

As Corvallis City Council President, I have made a priority of ensuring the integrity of our city government. I seek your support in continuing this effort to improve the openness and efficiency of its operation. During this next term, I want to clarify the vision of a community inclusive of all cultures and lifestyles. I will hold true to my conviction that decisions should be based on information, not confusion or fear. We can become a community of possibility; where dreams are prevalent and achievable for all.

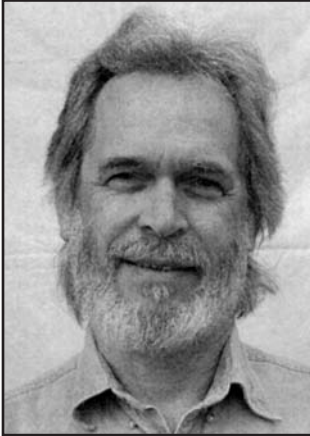
Let's grow up, not out!

Information provided by Citizens to elect
Rob Gándara, 753-9657.

(This information furnished by Citizens to Elect Rob Gándara)

City of Corvallis

City Council, Ward 5



**JERRY
LARSON**

NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Currently starting a retail business in downtown Corvallis.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Desktop publisher, school bus driver (18 years); newsletter editor, Corvallis Macintosh Users Group (currently on Board of Directors); wine buyer and newsletter columnist, First Alternative Food Co-op; restaurant owner (partner, former Tower of London).

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Cascade Union High School; 1 year completed at OSU, majoring in Anthropology.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None.

Helped bring the Amalgamated Transit Union (AFL-CIO) to Corvallis to represent transit and school bus drivers.

Worked in favor of Transit Bus Driver's prevailing wage levy.

Worked in favor of the Living Wage campaign.

Will work to ensure equal rights for all, regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, ideology, religion, physical abilities, or age.

Will actively work to discourage the importation of "big box" retail chain stores, which is just another way of saying sprawl.

Will encourage, plan, and work for an economically healthy, vibrant, and lively downtown. A downtown where people of mixed incomes can live, shop, and play can help us resist urban sprawl, representing the best in urban design.

We must work harder and plan better for affordable housing in Corvallis. We have let too many opportunities for distributed density and intelligent mixed use pass us by. Developers have been allowed to skim the cream off the top of the housing market, with highly profitable high-end housing dominating the mix.

We need a more creative transit system that not only reaches further into our neighborhoods, but in cooperation with other agencies, ranges out from Corvallis to offer choices for commuters, shoppers, and visitors from nearby communities.

Establishing a pedestrian-friendly environment, maintaining safe and convenient bikeways, and promoting energy conservation, historic preservation, and the use of renewable and non-polluting energy sources go hand-in-hand with our goal of resisting pressure to expand our urban growth boundary.

As your councilor for Ward 5, you will find me a good listener, an active defender of neighborhoods, and an accessible representative.

*(This information furnished by
Committee to Elect Jerry Larson)*

City Council, Ward 6



**EMILY
HAGEN**

NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Restaurant Manager, American Dream Pizza; Catering Coordinator & Art Director, The Thyme Garden; Freelance Design, eH Design.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Designer, Peak Experience Local Loop; Restaurant Manager, The Beanery; Independent Contracting, OSU Forestry Research Lab, Publications Department.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Currently Enrolled, Oregon State University, Bachelor of Arts in Photography with a Minor in Art History; Associate of Applied Science, Graphic Design, Linn-Benton Community College, 1999.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Alsea Community Effort (ACE), Alsea Library Plan.

The Corvallis area is a beautiful and unique region perched on the edge of the Willamette River and home to a diverse people who have all chosen to live here for one reason or another. It will be my goal as a member of the Corvallis City Council to preserve and enhance that quality through loyal representation of my constituents and increase community involvement.

The direction we take our city will depend on this involvement and the ability of our leaders to create a vision that meets everyone's needs, that fulfills our desires, and that will last into our children's children's lives. As a lifetime resident of Benton County, I am aware of the broad spectrum this encompasses and am devoted to hearing all sides of a story. This is the only way to create a well-informed, long-term solution which serves our community best.

Information provided by Citizens for Emily, 753-7276

(This information furnished by Citizens for Emily)

City of Corvallis

City Council, Ward 7



DENISE SAUNDERS
NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Attorney with 14 years experience representing clients in complex state and federal regulatory proceedings.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Attorney, (1992-present); Assistant Personnel Administrator, Burlington, Vermont (1985-1987), Coordinator of Farmers Market, Burlington, Vermont (1985).

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: J.D and Certificate in Environmental Law, Lewis and Clark College; B.A., English and Environmental Studies, University of Vermont.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Corvallis Comprehensive Plan, Land-Use Committee (1998); Governor's Task Force on Pregnancy and Substance Abuse (Administrator 1990); Assistant Personnel Administrator, City of Burlington, Vermont (1985-1987).

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT: Community Outreach, Inc., Board of Directors (1996-1998); CASA, Board of Directors (1998); Corvallis School District, volunteer at Harding and Jefferson Elementary Schools (1997 to present); Member of: Oregon State Bar, Benton County Bar Association; Friends of the Library; Corvallis Art Center; Friends of the Majestic; First Alternative Co-op; Oregon ACLU; Corvallis Independent Business Alliance

Denise Saunders
Dedicated to a Livable Corvallis

Everyone's Voice Should be Heard

- I believe strongly in an open public process in which decisions affecting our City are made only after the views of *all* citizens with a stake in the outcome are heard
- If elected I will actively communicate with members of my ward about City Council matters and solicit their input about issues affecting the City.

Balanced Growth and Smart Economic Development

- I will help the City plan for growth in a way that improves the existing quality of life and that protects and preserves significant natural features
- I will work to encourage new economic development in a way that allows locally-owned businesses to prosper.
- I will strive to find solutions to controversial growth and economic development issues in a manner that respects all views and takes into account all concerns.

Sound Financial Management

- I will work to ensure sound financial planning so that the City can continue to provide high quality services to its citizens.

Denise Saunders
Positive and Effective Leadership for Ward 7

(This information furnished by Saunders for City Council)

City Council, Ward 7



SCOTT M. ZIMBRICK
NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Executive Vice President and Chief Marketing Manager, Citizens Bank.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: 26 years in bank management.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: BS, Finance, University of Oregon; AS, General Studies, Linn-Benton Community College; Certificate, Professional Management Institute, OSU; Certificate, University of Washington Pacific Coast Banking School.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: City of Corvallis City Council 2002 – 2004, Vice President; Chair, Community Alliance for Diversity; Member, Economic Development Partnership Task Force; Member, Comprehensive Plan Committee on Housing; Member, Downtown Parking Commission.

Scott Zimbrick is a recognized Community Leader:

- **Vice President, Corvallis City Council**
- Graduate, Leadership Corvallis
- **Corvallis First Citizen Award Recipient**
- Past Board Chair, Corvallis Neighborhood Housing Services
- Past President, Community Outreach, Inc.
- Past Board Member, Old Mill Center for Children and Families
- Past President, Rotary Club of Greater Corvallis;
- Rotary Leadership Award, Distinguished President's Citation
- Linn-Benton Community College Foundation Past Board member
- Steering Committee Member, OSU Business Alliance
- Past President, Corvallis Area Chamber of Commerce

Scott Zimbrick is your voice in the Community and a Leader on the Corvallis City Council.

I look forward to representing my neighbors in Ward 7 on the Corvallis City Council, and will focus on the following areas:

- **Bringing a balance to job growth and housing in our community**
- **Leader for Economic Vitality with a balance towards livability**
- **Leader for a Balanced Budget over the next two years, protecting core services and community values**
- **Balancing Natural Features protection with Land Owners Rights**
- **Working hard to protect services for the elderly and disadvantaged in Benton and Linn County**

As Vice President of the Corvallis City Council, I have a vision for a more livable Community. Please vote for me on November 2nd.

(This information furnished by Scott Zimbrick for City Council)

City of Corvallis

City Council, Ward 8

City Council, Ward 8



**BETTY
GRIFFITHS**
NON-PARTISAN



**CHRIS
NORDYKE**
NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Consultant, B&G Consulting.
OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Counselor; Administrator; Consultant; Teacher.
EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: James Madison University, B.S.; Oregon State University, Ed.M.
PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Corvallis City Council 1993-2004, President 1995-1998, Vice President 2000-2002; Liaison: Airport Commission; DaVinci Days; Committee for Citizen Involvement; Corvallis Neighborhood Housing and Chamber of Commerce; Intern for Senator Mae Yih.
COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP: Governor's Drug & Violent Crime Policy Advisory Board, Board Member: LBCC Parent Advisory; OSU School of Education Advisory; Community Outreach, Inc; Greenbelt Land Trust; Corvallis Community Day Care; Regional Council Mid-Valley Behavioral Health Care Network

I will work to:

- Ensure a strong citizen involvement in decision-making
- Continue sound fiscal planning
- Promote a balanced approach to growth that maintains our quality of life
- Maintain high quality police, fire and emergency medical services
- Promote a diversity of businesses
- Maintain a healthy downtown
- Promote sustainability through sound environmental and economic policies
- Increase intergovernmental cooperation to reduce costs and improve effectiveness

"I appreciate her ability to work with others and come to a consensus" Jim Gouveia

"Betty is a very experienced and capable councilor. Her experience is badly needed. She keeps the best interests of Ward 8 in mind when she votes." Jim & Kathy Funck

I will continue to listen to you and work with you to solve problems. I want to help you connect and get the services you desire from your City.

We face serious challenges in Corvallis – keeping quality city services in the face of diminishing revenue, and nurturing a healthy and diverse economy while maintaining our quality of life. Corvallis is a special city. **I remain committed to maintaining the qualities that attracted me here – pleasant neighborhoods, a diverse economy, beautiful natural setting and well-planned public facilities. To accomplish this, we need a strong, experienced representative. I hope that you agree and will support my re-election.**

*(This information furnished by
Betty Griffiths for City Council Committee)*

OCCUPATION: Local Business Owner
OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Cintas Corporation, Sales Associate, Dec. 2002- Feb. 2004; University Honda, Sales Representative, Oct. 2001- Aug. 2002; Vector Marketing, District Manager, Sept. 2000- Aug.2001; Vector Marketing, Branch Manager, Apr. 2000- Sept. 2000; Vector Marketing, Sales Representative, Aug. 1999- Apr. 2000.
EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Music Performance Studies, Northwest Nazarene University, 1998-1999; Business Studies, Linn Benton Community College, 1999-2000.
PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: N/A.

I am running for City Council because I feel I can bring a listening ear and a fresh perspective to the important issues facing Corvallis.

I am in favor of:

- Strategic growth to provide for new jobs.
- Protecting Corvallis' beautiful natural features, such as streams, plants, and trees.
- The development of affordable housing to support local job growth.

Having been born and raised here in Corvallis, I have a strong passion for our City. I believe the key to our success as we move forward is communication. I am excited to serve as and advocate for the needs and concerns of Ward 8 and the city at large.

Chris Nordyke
Ward 8

(This information furnished by Chris Nordyke for City Council)

City of Monroe

Mayor

City Council



CHUCK SANDERS
NON-PARTISAN



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KAREN WOOD
NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: I am a retired Engineer.
OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: I have worked as an Engineer, Surveyor, Design Engineer (Mech. And Civil).
EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: I attended Idaho State University for Civil Engineering.
PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: I was honorably discharged from the US Navy after serving ten years; I served on the Monroe city Council (Appointed).

My Name is CHUCK SANDERS I have retired to live at 138 No. 5th Street. Jan and I love this City and that is the only reason I got involved with the City politics.

I served in the U.S. Navy for ten years and was honorable discharged as a pay grade E-6.

I attended Idaho State University for Civil Engineering. I have worked a lot of construction jobs. Dams, roads, bridges etc. I have worked as a design engineer, machinist, heavy equipment operator, electronic technician, mechanical Technician, Field service Representative, public works inspector, to name some of my activities I have served as a city councilor for Monroe.

I research a lot before I start something, that is the training I have had. Before you can reach a most probable solution to a problem, you need to have all the ducks in order. I am comfortable with myself and my abilities.

My observations for the last two years have allowed me to see things that need fixing. There is one thing said about engineers, show them something that needs fixing and they will start trying to find a method of fixing it.

Some of those things are, your tax money spent more wisely, City improvements like Streets, The Water Plant, a study of the zoning. Try to bring in more business to give the City a better tax base, look at the possibility of a face lift for our schools to name a few things; I am quite sure you folks in Monroe can think of a lot more, and you need some one to listen and I will listen.

And I will do my best to perform the Mayor's job in a professional and responsible manner.

Chuck Sanders

(This information furnished by Chuck Sanders)

OCCUPATION: Retired.
OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Homemaker; some odd jobs - volunteer - American Red Cross.
EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: University of Oregon - theater arts; most of senior year South Eugene High School - 1961.
PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None.

Hello, Monroe neighbors! I am Karen Wood, and you know me as I walk my three dogs in the evenings. My husband, Craig, and I have lived in Monroe since 2000, and we have found it to be a pleasant and tranquil town.

Like all cities, Monroe has room for improvement. I am working to develop a skate park for our young people, so that they will have constructive recreation.

Our business district should be encouraged and guided towards growth and prosperity.

Our water rates are out of control. Most residents cannot afford to pay high water costs. The city council must find practical ways to lower costs, and to show homeowners how to be more conservative in their usage.

I would like to see an annual festival to honor our tree farmers, a "Christmas in July", bringing in outside people for a weekend, and displaying the grace and ambience of Monroe, our town.

Please vote for me, Karen Wood, for Monroe City Council.

(This information furnished by Karen Wood)

City of Philomath

Mayor

Mayor



**RICHARD
MATSON**

NON-PARTISAN



**CHRIS
NUSBAUM**

NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Press Operator Lee Publishing NW 27 years.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: None.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Attended Oregon State University.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Philomath City Councilor 6 years; Chair Philomath Transportation and traffic safety Commission; Chair Philomath Public Works Committee; Chair Philomath Police Committee; Chair Philomath Finance Committee; Chair Philomath tree Committee; Philomath Budget Committee; Philomath Ordinance Committee; City Representative The Chamber of Commerce; City Representative Willamette Criminal Justice Committee; Board of Directors Philomath Community Foundation.

When elected as your mayor, I promise that I will listen to everyone. People will be given adequate time to address the council. They will be heard and their opinions, expertise, and knowledge will be honored and respected. Issues they raise will be dealt with in a timely manner.

For three consecutive terms you have elected me to serve as city councilor because I listen to you and try to accomplish the things you have told me you wanted. I promise this philosophy won't change when you select me to be mayor.

Philomath is poised for rapid change in the future. There are several parcels of industrial land within the city limits ready to be developed, the couplet is moving forward,

... .. We need strong leadership to effectively deal with these changes.

Most of all we need to reunite city government with the community and bring peace to Philomath. I believe I have the leadership ability to accomplish what needs to be done. I also know that you can not push the people of Philomath. You have to lead them.

Thank you and God Bless

Richard Matson

(This information furnished by Richard Matson)

OCCUPATION: Sales and Marketing Director, Salbasgeon Suites and Conference Center.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Hospitality Sales/Management; US Naval Officer.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Philomath HS; OSU, B.S. Political Science.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Mayor, City of Philomath 2002 to present. Member, Board of Directors, Cascade West Council of Governments. Philomath Representative, Benton County Economic Development Partnership.

Dear Philomath Residents:

During my first term in office, our City Council was able to complete the following issues in 2003/04:

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| *Couplet Issue | RESOLVED |
| *Community Center Siting | COMPLETED |
| *Street Repair Funding | COMPLETED |
| *Lakeside Industrial Park Funding | COMPLETED |
| *New Police Facility Siting & Strategic Plan | COMPLETED |
| *Renovate Lions Club Park Playground | COMPLETED |
| *Renovate Mary's River Park Playground | COMPLETED |
| *Plan new Westbrook Neighborhood Park | COMPLETED |
| *South 13th Street Storm Drain Project | COMPLETED |
| *Lower City Property Tax Rate to Residents | (\$6.70/\$1000 to \$6.35/\$1000) |
| | (\$5.30/\$1000 projected FY 05/06) |
| *5 Year City of Philomath Periodic Review | COMPLETED |
| *Citywide repair of 17 Residential Streets | COMPLETED |
| *Review and Update of System Development Charges for New Construction | COMPLETED |
| *Adoption of Philomath Strategic Plan | COMPLETED |
| *Secure funding for High School Sports and After School Activities Programs | ONGOING |

"Philomath is on schedule to be free of general obligation tax dept in December 2004 and will pay for a new state of the art Police Facility with cash in 2005!"

"We continue to provide new jobs for our citizens! State and Private Developer funding for the Lakeside Industrial Park water/sewer construction was awarded to a local Philomath Company!"

During the last election I asked you "What are you looking for in a Mayor?" You told me and I listened. The Mayor's Office will continue to work hard and protect the interests of our working citizens who pay taxes and play by the rules. I will continue to protect City Hall From Special Interests Groups attempting to dominate your issues. I ask for your continued support in this upcoming election. It has been an honor to serve.

Thank you!

*(This information furnished by
Committee to Re-elect Chris Nusbaum)*

City of Philomath

Mayor

City Council



**JAY
SEXTON**

NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: OSU Research Assistant in Forest Science.
OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: OSU Research Assistant since 1983, also in Forest Entomology.
EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: BS Forest Biology from State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry.
PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Philomath Planning Commission 8 years, Chair 5 years; Benton County Parks Advisory Board Member.

I made the difficult decision to run for the Mayor of Philomath because I have been very concerned about the disorder and inappropriate procedure used within the council chambers. I feel my life experiences have provided me with the skills needed to lead the council properly. The Mayor presides over the Council and it is their responsibility to insure it's proper operation. I believe I bring the necessary skills to this position.

I have been volunteering on the Philomath Planning Commission for the last 8 years and I have been elected as the chairperson of the Commission for the last 5 consecutive years. Through this period I have demonstrated an ability to run efficient, orderly meetings accepting public testimony on both sides of sometimes contentious issues, without difficulty. I have treated the citizens with respect and maintained a civilized hearing process.

My main goal in running for mayor is to give to the people of Philomath my best effort in presiding over fair open council meetings that will treat those who testify with respect, facilitating the efficient operation of the council, and use my best judgement to help our City Staff provide you with honorable government service.

I do not have a bouquet of "pet projects" I wish to accomplish. My main goal is helping Philomath regain a city government worthy of respect.

I have lived in Philomath since 1991, and in Oregon since 1980. I have coached and refereed in AYSO soccer for 13 years. I have raised 4 sons in Philomath, enjoyed watching them all play PHS Soccer, and I have coached the PHS Ultimate Frisbee Team for three years.

(This information furnished by Jay Sexton)



**SCOTT
RAMSEY**

NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Inventory Manager - ATS Systems.
OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: 1981 - 1991 Numerous Sawmills Around Philomath; 1994 - Present ATS Systems.
EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: 1991-1993 LBCC Associate Degree.
PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: 2002-2004 Philomath City Council

In this last year I have helped start and organize the College of Philomath Community Corporation. This is a great project that will restore an old college building for the National Historic Registry while preserving some of Philomath's rich history. It will also give Philomath its long overdue Senior Center, provide a new home for Philomath's well-established Montessori school and tentatively give LBCC a branch office and classrooms.

In the past two years as an elected official I voted against the new road usage tax, all the water and sewer increases and the doubling of system development fees proposed by the city manager. Keeping Philomath an affordable place to live without losing our identity, uniqueness and old small town atmosphere are some of my highest goals. I also feel that if new jobs come to town they should be living wage jobs.

My previous campaign platform stressed the need for city accountability. What I have discovered in the past two years was that most of Philomath's problems start at the top with our city manager. I have witnessed arrogance, rudeness, and deceptive behavior towards citizens that have come to testify before the council. I know many citizens and businesses no longer trust our city manager. He has been non democratic by discouraging public input and stonewalling council process. Before this city can ever develop a good economic plan and encourage good business into coming to town we will first need to get a manager that business can trust. I've talked with many citizens and business owners in the past two years that feel a new city manager would be the first step in moving the city of Philomath in the right direction.

(This information furnished by Scott Ramsey)

City of Philomath

City Council



**KEN
SCHAUDT**

NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: 16th year as Project Manager for Structural Engineering firm.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: English Language Instructor, NCB Language Institute, Tokyo, Japan; General labor for several departments, Oregon State Univ. Athletics, Corvallis, OR.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Bachelor of Science, Housing, 1988, Oregon State University.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Cascades West Area Commission on Transportation; City of Philomath: Budget, Ordinance, Police, & Public Works Committees, Councilor, and Council President, Transportation / Traffic Safety Commission; Corvallis Area Metropolitan Planning Organization; Philomath Couplet Project Plan Stakeholder Working Group.

I have learned a lot during my time as Philomath City Councilor. My experience working on committees has been invaluable, but I've also discovered it takes more than experience to be an effective councilor. A city councilor must have other qualities to effectively serve his/her community:

1. **Be willing to commit the time.** There are complex issues that come before our council. A councilor must dedicate time and effort into reading and researching every issue. I have spent countless hours understanding the impact of the diverse and difficult issues that have been brought before the council, and have come prepared to discuss.
2. **Seek community input.** It is great when citizens attend and present testimony during council meetings, but that's not enough. I have made a concerted effort to seek the opinions of citizens affected by council decisions before deciding how I should vote. It is important to represent the entire community, not just the vocal minority.
3. **Serve the entire community.** Council members should serve the community, not their own "personal agenda." My motivation to serve on the council has never been for personal gain. I am not a career politician, nor do I aspire to be one. I am simply a citizen of this community who cares deeply about its future.

This is a critical time for our city. I seek your support, and urge you to carefully consider your selections for city council. Philomath deserves strong, dedicated leadership.

(This information furnished by Ken Schaudt)

City Council



**SUSAN
E.
CRAIG**

NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Teacher.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Elementary School Teacher from 2000-2004; Owned and operated a small Antiques business in Philomath from 1993-2000.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Attended Cottey College in Nevada, MO. from 1977-78; Attended the University of Oregon in Eugene, OR. from 1978-1979; Attended Oregon State University in Corvallis, OR. from 1979-82 and 1984-85 completed Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree; Attended Oregon State University in Corvallis from 2000-2002 earning a Masters in Arts and Teaching Degree.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Served on the Philomath City Council from 1998-2000; Member of the Transportation and Safety Committee, Ordinance, and Police Committees; Served on the Philomath Planning Commission from 1997-99; Currently serving on the 2002-2004 Philomath City Council.

I have been a resident of Philomath for the last 12 years and the Corvallis area since 1979. I am originally from Enterprise Oregon where my family were in the cattle ranching business. Both of my parents later became teachers. Because of my background I have a profound interest in the continuation of high standards in our schools, our businesses, and our community at large. I believe it is up to each of us as citizens to get involved if we want to make Philomath a better place to live, work, and raise our children. That is why I am running for the Philomath City Council.

(This information furnished by Susan E. Craig)

City of Philomath

City Council

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**ERIC
KARBOWSKI**
NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Rustic Log Furniture; OSU Student.
OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Co-owner Myrtlewood Mystique Gallery.
EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: LBCC Business Major; Philomath High School Graduate 1994.
PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Philomath City Council.

Organizations: Philomath Chamber of Commerce Board Member

I am a hard working family man with three children. I was born, raised and make my living in Philomath. I am passionate about our community, our economy, and our children's future.

You elected me for my vision and integrity. Thank you for the honor to serve and represent you. My intent is simple. I want to bring back family wages to our town. I am being blocked.

You ask me frequently, "What is going on down at City Hall?"

Frankly, I have witnessed a whole lot of character assassination and clouding the issue; A favorite tactic used by the City Manager, Mayor and Councilors Harwood, Schaudt, and Craig to hide their true agenda to

- Raise your taxes without your permission
- Obscure how the money is spent
- Minimize public notification
- Provide constant misleading information to the public

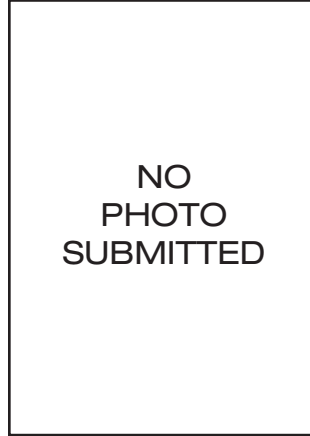
This is my analysis of corruption.

As I understand it corruption hinders economic development and keeps you from really knowing what is going on. The more I am attacked the more you open up to me, give me your smart questions and help me to better represent your needs.

- I am actively replacing corruption by:
- Building ties with the Austin Entrepreneurial Program and other colleges at OSU that will bring diverse businesses to Philomath
- Attracting 21st Century Infrastructure and Alternative Media to Philomath
- Learning Parliamentary Procedures, Open Meetings and Records Law, and Political Science.

It only takes five out of the seven on the council to fire the city manager. I need your help now. Thank you for your continued support. Please vote Karbowski for City Council!

(This information furnished by Eric Karbowski for City Council)



**KATHI
HARWOOD**
NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Operations Officer, Citizens Bank paid.
OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: employed with Citizens Bank 26 years.
EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: High School; 1 year at LBCC Graphic design; OBA Operations School.
PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Current - 2 year term on Philomath City Council.

(This information furnished by Kathi Harwood)

City of Philomath

City Council



CHARLA
M.
KOEPE

NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Accountant/Tax Consultant at Miller Timber Services, Inc. (2001 - Present).

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Tax Preparer/Consultant, Accountant for Corvallis C.P.A. firm (1983-2001).

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Philomath Public Schools (1969-1981), Oregon State University (1981-1982).

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None.

"As a lifelong resident of the Philomath area (last 15+ years within the city limits), I feel, as a parent, it would be an honor and privilege to serve on the City Council. I feel, as a parent to four children, that it is important to help in the shaping of our community, so that current and future generations will view Philomath as a wonderful place to live, work and raise a family. I would come to the Council with no hidden agendas and an open mind in all issues."

(This information furnished by Charla M. Koeppe)

City Council



RAY
HICKMAN

NON-PARTISAN

OCCUPATION: Thompson Sort Yard - Philomath, Oregon - paid.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Log truck - (owner) - paid.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Gervais High School 2 years Scio High School - grad. - LBCC - 2 year medical.

PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Philomath - Transportation Comm. Planning Comm. Appointed.

(This information furnished by Ray Hickman)

City of Philomath	Benton Soil and Water Conservation District
City Council	Director
<div data-bbox="130 296 439 730" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="465 428 712 588" data-label="Caption"> <p>MATTHEW BIEREK NON-PARTISAN</p> </div> <div data-bbox="127 751 728 1071" data-label="Text"> <p>OCCUPATION: Controller, Mega Tech of Oregon – a leader in high-technology value added services. OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Director and Treasurer, Philomath Scout Lodge, Inc. a 501(c)-3 non-profit organization serving local area youth groups; Tax Manager, Videx Incorporated – innovative manufacturer of security products. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: B.S. in Business Administration; Certified Financial Planner - IBCFP; Certified in Production and Inventory Management - APICS; Current US Customs Service Brokers License. PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: None.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="127 1096 728 1283" data-label="Text"> <p>Having lived in Philomath over 20 years now, I have enjoyed the benefits of what our community has to offer its residents. Serving as one of your City Council members will provide me the opportunity to “give back” to our city in what I hope to be a positive and significant contribution of my time and talents. Thank you for your vote of confidence in me and in what I can bring to the council.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="204 1936 651 1967" data-label="Text"> <p><i>(This information furnished by Matthew Bierek)</i></p> </div>	<div data-bbox="753 296 1062 730" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="1086 407 1345 604" data-label="Caption"> <p>THOMAS E. BEDELL NON-PARTISAN</p> </div> <div data-bbox="749 751 1366 1071" data-label="Text"> <p>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. Univ. 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).</p> </div> <div data-bbox="749 1096 1366 1467" data-label="Text"> <p>Since January 1997 I have served as an elected Director of the Benton SWCD and as Chairman since January 1999. I am standing for a third four-year term because I believe strongly in the soil and water conservation movement and that my experience will continue to be useful to the District and the citizens who are responsible for owning and managing the important natural resources of Benton County. The educational and technical assistance programs the District operates benefit both rural and urban residents. Focus continues to be on improving water quality through beneficial resource planning and management. This can be accomplished through a variety of ways and your District directors and small staff are committed to providing the leadership for it to occur. I expect to continue to earn your trust if you return me to this elected volunteer office.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="816 1936 1295 1967" data-label="Text"> <p><i>(This information furnished by Thomas E. Bedell)</i></p> </div>

TO REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT

This is not a voter registration form.
You must be a registered voter to request an absentee ballot.
If you are unsure of your voting status, contact the Benton County Elections Office.

- Fill out the form below.
- Be sure the person requesting the absentee ballot signs it.
- Mail, fax, or bring the form to Benton County Elections Office
- You may bring an absentee ballot request for someone else, but he/she must sign it.
- Ballots received after 8:00 PM Election Day cannot be counted.

If mailing your ballot, be sure to allow enough time for it to arrive by the deadline.



BENTON COUNTY ELECTIONS DIVISION
 120 NW 4TH ST RM 13
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ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION

Please select the category(ies) that applies(y) to you:

- Military
 Overseas
 Snowbird
 Student
 Other

I am applying for an absentee ballot for:

- This election only _____ (mth/day/yr)
 All future elections until _____ (mth/day/yr)
 I will be away from _____ (mth/day) till _____ (mth/day) yearly
 I will be in Benton County from _____ (mth/day) till _____ (mth/day) yearly
 This will continue to happen until _____ (mth/day/yr)

Name (Last, First, Middle)	Date of Birth
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Absentee Address Line 1

Absentee Address Line 2 (if needed)

City, State, Zip / COUNTRY

Benton County Residential Address

City, State, Zip

Signature:	Date:
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Note: An original signature is required.
 Mail or fax completed form. Do not e-mail. Thank you!

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