

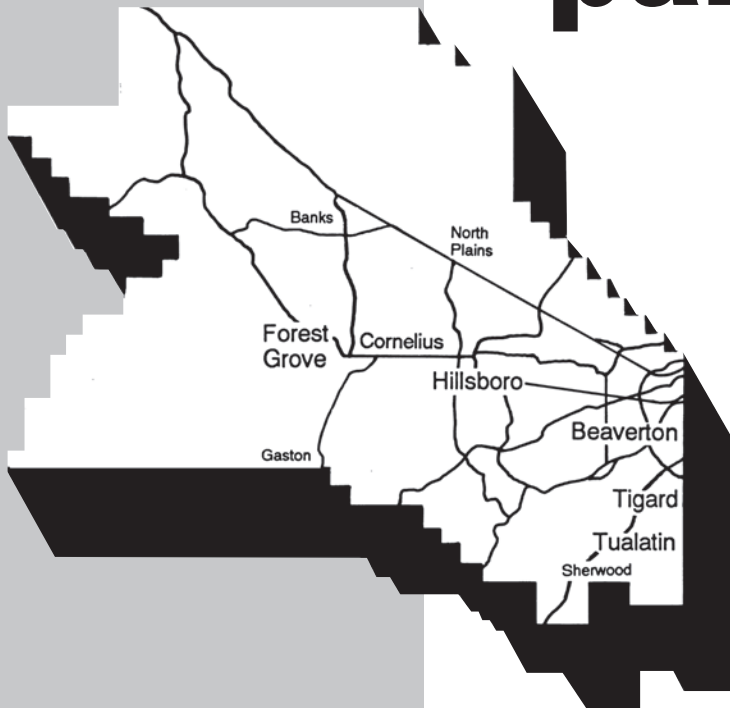


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# Washington County

# voters' pamphlet



**VOTE-BY-MAIL  
PRIMARY  
ELECTION**

**May 19, 2020**

**To be counted,  
voted ballots must  
be in our office  
by 8:00 p.m. on  
May 19, 2020**

## **Washington County Board of County Commissioners**

Kathryn Harrington, Chair  
Dick Schouten, District 1  
Pam Treece, District 2  
Roy Rogers, District 3  
Jerry Willey, District 4

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Dear Voter:

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

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# Washington County

## Sheriff



### Red Wortham

**Occupation:** Sheriff's Sergeant, Washington County

**Occupational Background:** Sheriff's Office since 2004; Drug Treatment Counselor, Tualatin Valley Mental Health; Ranked #1 on promotional list for Lieutenant, 2015

**Educational Background:** BA, cum laude, Pacific University (Social

Work); Willamette University; Prison Rape Elimination Act Auditor Certification; Oregon Executive Development Institute; Supervisory Certification, Department of Public Safety Standards and Training

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Jail Inspector; Inter-agency Hostage Negotiations Team, Primary Negotiator

**Community Involvement:** Restorative Justice Coalition; Hillsboro High Student Council community partnerships with Washington County Fair Board, Oregon International Air Show; Vice President, Hillsboro High School Drug and Alcohol Free Graduation Night Board

**Wortham: A leading voice for change on matters of jail safety, criminal justice reform - and ways to save money while keeping public safety a priority.**

**Endorsed by: Washington County Democrats & the Criminal Justice League**

As a result of my advocacy:

- **Juveniles are no longer housed in the adult jail**
- Collaboration with judges for **efficient use of jail beds to reduce forced releases** that are unsettling to the public
- **Reduction in costs** due to how I've managed and scheduled temporary deputies who fill staffing gaps
- **Transgender inmates are treated with greater respect** regarding their personal gender identity
- In 2014, I became the only WCSO deputy ever certified to audit and implement the Prison Rape Elimination Act **ensuring safety of incarcerated individuals, especially women**

**But there is more to do.** And that's why I'm running.

**We need to do more to reform our criminal justice system in ways that reduce costs and balance accountability with rehabilitation to reduce crime.**

- Continue to **fight for alternative forms of incarceration** - like work-in-lieu of jail - for nonviolent, low-risk offenders. This **saves money without compromising public safety.**
- Restructure staff to **reduce overtime spending** - and keep uniformed deputies to patrols in our community rather than administrative positions.
- Continue to be an **advocate for more mental health and addiction treatment.**

**Vote Red Wortham to move us forward!**

Learn more: [www.redworthamforsheriff.com](http://www.redworthamforsheriff.com)

*(This information furnished by Red Wortham for Sheriff.)*

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## Sheriff



### Pat Garrett

**Occupation:** Sheriff

**Occupational Background:** WCSO; patrol deputy, investigator, sergeant, lieutenant, division commander, chief deputy, undersheriff.

**Educational Background:** Oregon State University, Spanish, Bachelors; Portland State University, Public Administration, Masters;

FBI National Academy, Public Safety Leadership, Certificate; Harvard Kennedy School, State and Local Leadership, Certificate

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Lieutenant Colonel, USAR; Governor's Commission on Alcohol and Drug Policy; Department of Public Safety, Standard and Training Police Policy Committee.

#### INTEGRITY

#### LEADERSHIP

#### EXPERIENCE

I care deeply about Washington County. Over my 31-year career, my family has established this as our home for future generations. During my eight years as sheriff crime rates have dropped 10% as measured by the FBI. I expanded Mental Health Response Teams and our Domestic Violence Resource Team. I support a unit to arrest wanted fugitives and conduct sex offender compliance checks. We assist specialty courts for offenders experiencing mental illness and addiction, and a new specialty court for Veterans. I support robust programs to prevent abuse and fraud of our senior citizens, and jail operations that provide accountability and programs to decrease reoffending.

**Fairness and equity remain integral to our training and leadership.**

#### **Join us and vote for Sheriff Pat Garrett!**

Chair Kathryn Harrington, Washington County  
Commissioner Roy Rogers, Washington County  
Commissioner Dick Schouten, Washington County  
Commissioner Pam Treece, Washington County  
Commissioner Jerry Willey, Washington County  
District Attorney Kevin Barton, Washington County  
Police Chief Jesse Baker  
Police Chief John Bennett  
Police Chief Jim Coleman  
Police Chief Jeff Groth  
Police Chief Ernie Happala  
Police Chief Kathy McAlpine  
Police Chief Henry Reimann  
Police Chief Bill Steele  
Mayor Steve Callaway, Hillsboro  
Mayor Jeffrey Dalin, Cornelius  
Mayor Denny Doyle, Beaverton  
Mayor Pete Edison, Banks  
Mayor Teri Lenahan, North Plains  
Mayor Gery Schirado, Durham  
Mayor Jason Snider, Tigard  
Mayor Peter Truax, Forest Grove  
Council President Tim Rosener, Sherwood  
Council Member Lacey Beaty, Beaverton  
State Representative Jeff Barker  
State Representative Margaret Doherty  
State Representative Sheri Schouten  
State Representative Janeen Sollman  
Director See Eun Kim, Hillsboro School District  
Director Wendy Kroger, THPRD

**Additional endorsements and information at [patgarrettforsheriff.com](http://patgarrettforsheriff.com).**

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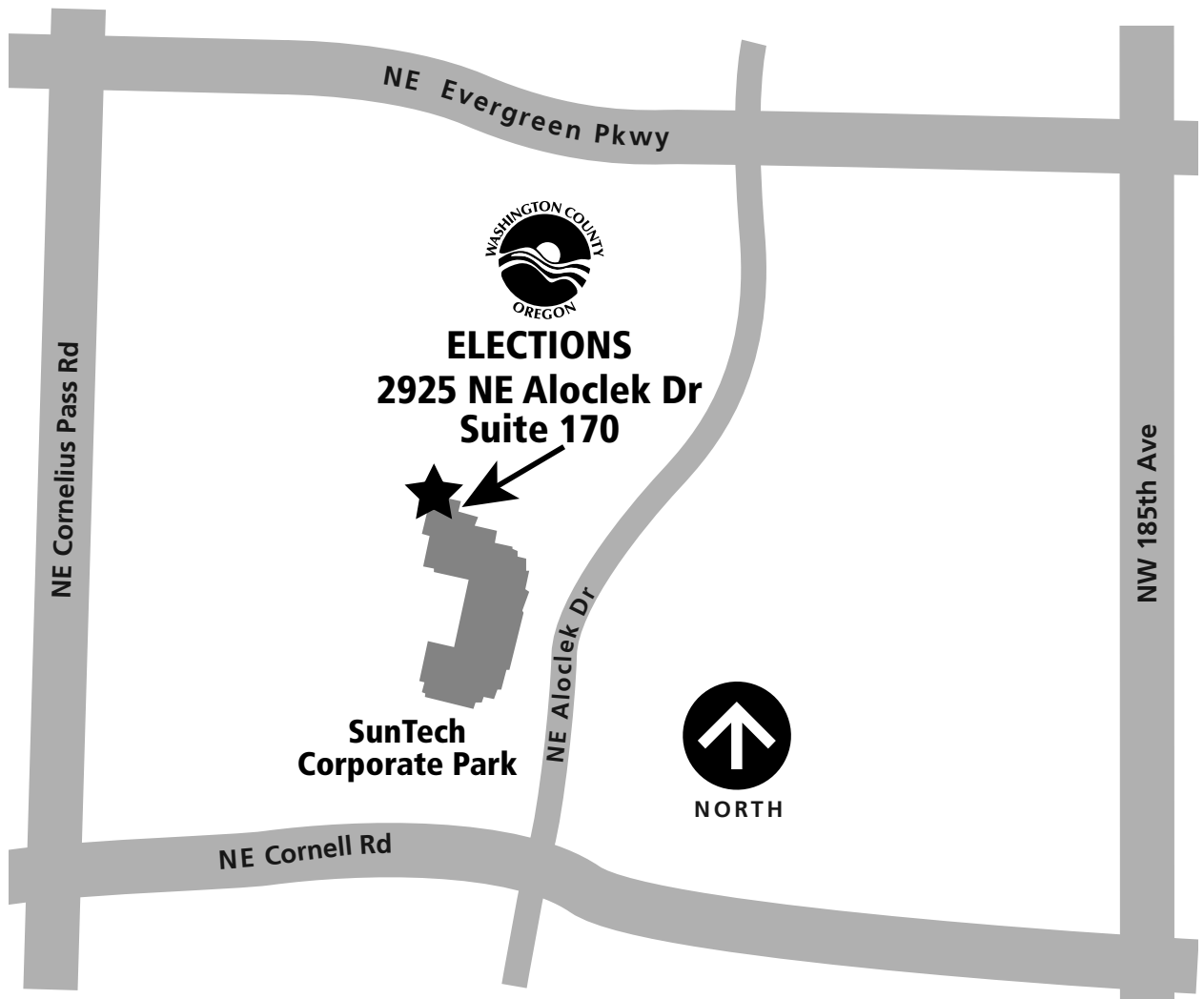
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# Washington County

## Commissioner, District 1



### Jeff Hindley

**Occupation:** Supervisor, Dept. of Community Justice, Yamhill County (10 years)

**Occupational Background:** Mental Health Case Manager; Juvenile Corrections worker for at-risk youth.

**Educational Background:** BA (Organizational Leadership), MA (Theological Studies), Multnomah University.

Columbia Southern University; MA (Theological Studies), Multnomah University.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Washington County Boards: Homeless Plan Advisory Committee and Rural Roads Maintenance Advisory Committee; Member, Washington County Public Affairs Forum; PCP.

Growing up in Beaverton and raising my family in Washington County, I care deeply for my community, always immersing myself in educational, volunteer and governmental leadership roles.

Common Sense and Fiscally Conservative approaches to government have been lost to political ideology, and elected leaders have largely lost touch with regular citizens.

We all have a story. Don't vote for a story. Pick the candidate who will represent you and the community best. Pick the candidate that...

- ✓ ...will tirelessly protect your taxpayer money.
- ✓ ...has the experience in County government to make thoughtful and creative decisions.
- ✓ ...grew up in Washington County and is connected to the community and citizens at all levels.

#### My priorities:

- Designate funding to **increase road capacity for vehicles** while maintaining funding for bike lanes, sidewalks and safety improvements.
- Support a voter-led initiative for **'Term Limits'** on elected officials in Washington County.
- Support a movement to limit SDC charges to **build more affordable single-family, affordable homes**. We must encourage and support home ownership!
- Allocate **increased funding for Rent, Food and Energy assistance for those at-risk of homelessness**. Increase funding for more Permanent Supportive Housing for the chronically mentally ill.
- **Fiscal Responsibility**. Residents and the business community are breaking under the barrage of taxes and fees by local jurisdictions and Metro. I will **manage wasteful spending, re-prioritize funding and cut unnecessary spending** at the local level.
- Help **establish the first 'Master Plan' Tiny Home community** in Washington County.

Please support me in making Washington County better!

**We will not become Multnomah County on my watch!**

VOTE Jeff Hindley for **CITIZEN FOCUSED LEADERSHIP!**

Visit: <https://jeff4washingtoncounty.com> for more details!

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## Commissioner, District 1



### Nafisa Fai

**Occupation:** Small Business Owner

**Occupational Background:** Public Health & Community Building

**Educational Background:** Portland State, BS

**Prior Governmental Experience:**

Clean Water Services Advisory Commission; Oregon Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Review Committee; Portland Police Citizen Academy

#### Experience for a Healthy & Thriving Washington County

A longtime resident of Oregon, Nafisa Fai is a small business owner and public health expert dedicated to ensuring everyone in our county can thrive.

*"My involvement in our community over the years has instilled in me a passion for making a difference. I will be a voice that reflects our district, bridging the heritage of Washington County with smart decisions to lead us into a prosperous future."*

- Nafisa

#### As Commissioner, Nafisa will prioritize:

- Tackling our affordable housing crisis and addressing poverty so all working families can succeed
- Alleviating congestion, so people can spend less time in traffic and more time with their families
- Growing small businesses and empowering people to create them

"Nafisa's our choice to be District 1's next Commissioner. Her diversity of experience and community involvement will make her an excellent addition to the Board."

**Washington County Chair Kathryn Harrington, Commissioners Dick Schouten and Pam Treece**

#### Nafisa is uniquely qualified to represent District 1, with a proven record:

- Creating her own small business to help local businesses thrive
- Advocating for the health and safety of our communities
- Community building to celebrate cultural and economic vitality

#### Nafisa is proud to be supported by:

NW Oregon Labor Council  
 Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce  
 Beaverton Education Association  
 Tualatin Valley Fire Fighters Union  
 Columbia Pacific Building Trades  
 Oregon League of Conservation Voters  
 NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon PAC  
 Washington County Democrats  
 OR AFSCME 75, UFCW 555, SEIU  
 U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley  
 Metro President Lynn Peterson & Councilor Juan Carlos González  
 State Senator Mark Hass, Representatives Jeff Barker, Ken Helm, & Sheri Schouten  
 Washington County Sheriff Pat Garrett  
 Beaverton Mayor Denny Doyle  
 Beaverton City Councilors Lacey Beaty, Mark Fagin, & Marc San Soucie  
 Hillsboro Mayor Steve Callaway

[nafisaforwashingtoncounty.com](http://nafisaforwashingtoncounty.com)

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# Washington County

## Commissioner, District 1



### Manuel Castaneda

**Occupation:** PLI Systems, Inc., Owner

**Occupational Background:** Wetland restoration; renewable energy and infrastructure construction

**Educational Background:** Forest Grove High School; Portland Community College

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State of Oregon Commission of Hispanic Affairs; Affordable Housing Oversight Committee; Tuality Hospital Board; Albina Opportunities Corporation; Pacific University Board of Trustees

#### Manuel Castaneda Stands for Livability and Prosperity for all

Manuel is a proud US citizen who immigrated here. He owns a small business and has seen first-hand how hard work and education can improve lives. He is running for Washington County Commissioner because he believes that he can make our community a better place for everyone. With a background in affordable housing, renewable energy, wetland restoration and infrastructure construction, his experience uniquely positions him to address the issues our community faces.

#### As your County Commissioner, Manuel will:

- Address the impacts of climate change. We need to preserve the livability of Washington County and **protect our clean air and water.**
- Develop more affordable housing and ownership opportunities so that working families can **afford to live in the Washington County.**
- Traffic congestion affects everyone in our community, we need to address it by making **smart investments in infrastructure and transportation** options
- Ensure that our children have access to a **high-quality education and career and technical education programs.**
- Fight for policy and economic tools to make it easier for Oregonians to start their own business and **help small business grow.**

#### MANUEL HAS THE EXPERIENCE WE NEED TO KEEP WASHINGTON COUNTY THRIVING.

Here are some of the groups and community members Manuel is endorsed by:

Andy Duyck - Former Washington County Chairman  
Tom Brian - Former Washington County Chair  
Lou Ogden - Former Mayor of Tualatin  
Enedelia Schofield, Former Aloha Principal  
Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland

To learn more, please visit [ManuelforWashingtonCounty.com](http://ManuelforWashingtonCounty.com)

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## Voter Registration Information

### Registering to Vote

To vote in Oregon you need to be registered in the county where you reside.

You can register if you can answer yes to these three questions:

- ✓ Are you a resident of Oregon?
- ✓ Are you a US citizen?
- ✓ Are you at least 16 years of age?

*If you are 16 years of age, you will not receive a ballot until an election occurs on or after your 18th birthday.*

### How to register

You can register to vote online at [www.oregonvotes.gov](http://www.oregonvotes.gov) or you can get a voter registration card at any of the following places:

- Any County Elections Office
- The Secretary of State's Office
- Some state agencies such as the Division of Motor Vehicles
- A voter registration drive
- Some locations of the United States Postal Service

You can fill the card out in person or send it in by US mail.

You can also print out a registration card online at: [www.oregonvotes.gov](http://www.oregonvotes.gov)

The deadline for new registrations or to make party changes is 21 days prior to Election Day.

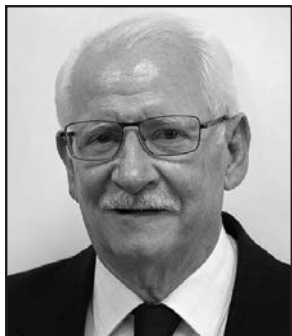
### What information is required to register?

To complete your registration, you must provide your:

- Full legal name
- Home address
- Mailing address – if different
- Date of birth
- Signature
- Valid identification

# Washington County

## Commissioner, District 3



### Roy Rogers

**Occupation:** Certified Public Accountant

**Occupational Background:** Accounting

**Educational Background:** Portland State University, Business B.S.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Mayor Tualatin; Washington County Commissioner; various regional and state committees

#### Who is Roy Rogers?

- Local small business owner
- Pragmatic, honest, hardworking and compassionate leader
- Very active in our communities through organizations like the Good Neighbor Center, Tigard Rotary, Tigard Chamber of Commerce, and Local Libraries
- Strong relationships with constituents

#### LEADING US IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

Roy's leadership has brought our community economic prosperity. His vision for our community is to build on our successes and continue working to meet the needs of a growing Washington County:

- **Protecting the livability of Washington County** by ensuring we have **clean water and air for future generations**
- Continue to **build affordable housing**
- Increasing multimodal transportation options
- **Reducing traffic congestion**
- Expand access to mental health programs
- Increasing **funding for local libraries**
- Ensuring our **emergency responders are funded** and can keep us safe
- Adding high-quality family wage jobs and funding workforce development to secure economic prosperity for all

#### ROY IS A PROVEN LEADER—TRUSTED THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITY

A sample of the 32 current and former elected officials supporting Roy are:

#### Community and Elected Leaders

- Andy Duyck, Former Washington County Chair
- Pam Treece and Jerry Willey, Washington County Commissioners
- Kathy Stallkamp, President of Tigard Tualatin Aquatic District
- Sheriff Pat Garrett, Washington County
- Clark Balfour, Chair Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue

#### Mayors

- Ken Gibson, King City
- Frank Bubenik, Tualatin
- Jason Snider, Tigard
- Gery Schirado, Durham
- Keith Mays, Sherwood
- Former Mayors John Cook and Craig Dirksen, Tigard, Lou Ogden, Tualatin, Krisanna Clark-Endicott, Sherwood

#### City Councilors

- John Goodhouse and Tom Anderson, Tigard
- Tim Rosener, Sherwood
- Paul Morrison and Robert Kellog, Tualatin

#### Organizations

- Beaverton Chamber of Commerce
- Portland Business Alliance

For more information, visit [ElectRoyRogers.com](http://ElectRoyRogers.com)

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## Commissioner, District 3



### Ben Marcotte

**Occupation:** Senior Software Engineer

**Occupational Background:** 22 years in Software Engineering & Systems Administration; Research Assistant

**Educational Background:** University of Oregon, Biology, Bachelor of Science

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Elected Precinct Committeeperson; Representative & Alternate from Washington County Community Participation Organization #3 (CPO3) to the Committee for Community Involvement (CCI)

For over 20 years, I have been an active participant in our county's community involvement programs. I have learned about the long running and frequently voiced concerns of my neighbors. I am running because I feel frustrated by the lack of progress on these issues.

#### Leadership for our urban unincorporated areas:

How have we let things get to the point where a third of the county, over 225,000 residents, lives in urban unincorporated areas? Currently, this topic is the very lowest priority item on the board's Draft Work Plan. I would seek to raise that priority substantially, to help unravel the mess we've let fester for far too long. I feel that inaction on this topic stifles economic development and the growth of healthy communities.

#### Engagement with constituents:

Compared to other members of the board, Commissioner Rogers takes a much more hands-off approach to our county's community involvement organizations. I stand for greater citizen involvement in county government, and would continue to seek out the public input that I have been a part of for 20 years.

#### Better incentivize affordable housing:

No amount of McMansions will ever make housing more affordable. What we're building needs to better match our housing needs.

#### Smarter transportation options:

Without better bus, bike and pedestrian connectivity, the future Southwest Corridor MAX line could end up underutilized like the WES commuter rail line is today.

#### Protect Significant Natural Resource areas:

I would seek to bring the county into compliance with the state's land use Goal 5, rather than defending being in violation of it.

[benfordist3.org](http://benfordist3.org)

#### Endorsed by:

Oregon League of Conservation Voters  
United Food and Commercial Workers Unions Local 555  
Washington County Democrats

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**We encourage you to mail your ballot  
before Wednesday, May 13.**

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Open April 29, 2020 through 8 p.m., May 19, 2020

**ELECTION OFFICE**  
2925 NE Aloclek Dr, Hillsboro

**BANKS PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
42461 Market St, Banks

**CORNELIUS CITY HALL**  
1355 N Barlow St, Cornelius

**FOREST GROVE**  
Pacific Ave & Birch St, Forest Grove

**HILLSBORO MAIN LIBRARY**  
2850 NE Brookwood Pkwy, Hillsboro

**KING CITY - CITY HALL**  
15300 SW 116th Ave, King City

**NORTH PLAINS CITY HALL**  
31360 NW Commercial, North Plains

**SERVICE CENTER EAST**  
(Front lobby drop slot)  
3700 SW Murray Blvd, Beaverton

**SHERIFF'S OFFICE &  
JAIL PARKING LOT**  
236 SW Dennis Ave, Hillsboro

**SHERWOOD CITY HALL**  
22560 SW Pine St, Sherwood

**TIGARD CITY HALL**  
13125 SW Hall Blvd, Tigard

**TUALATIN CITY OFFICES**  
18880 SW Martinazzi Ave, Tualatin

# City of Beaverton

## Mayor



### Lacey Beaty

**Occupation:** Beaverton City Councilor; Public Health Consultant

**Occupational Background:** Director, School-Based Health Centers, Virginia Garcia; Combat Medic, U.S. Army; Lacrosse Coach

**Educational Background:** BS, Oregon State; MS, Management and Organizational Leadership, Warner Pacific University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Visioning Advisory Committee; Beaverton Police Citizen Academy; Regional Disaster Preparedness Organization Member

**Community Leadership:** American Legion Post 124, Second-Vice Commander; HomePlate Youth Services (helping homeless youth); Leadership Beaverton

#### It's Time for New Leadership

"Leading our region forward is going to take all of us. With Lacey, I'll have a partner who looks at the year ahead, but also the 20 years beyond today."

-Kathryn Harrington, Chair, Washington County

**Affordable Housing:** Lacey believes in a Beaverton that is affordable for seniors, for young families raising children, and new residents.

- Successfully fought for more housing that low-income, working families and seniors can afford
- Led the passage of a moratorium of evictions during the coronavirus pandemic to keep people housed and safe
- Will fight for supportive housing with mental health and addiction treatment for the chronically homeless
- Supports shifting from security deposits to an insurance program to save renters money

**Jobs and Transportation:** Beaverton is growing and we must work regionally, as we invest locally, to support small businesses and reduce traffic congestion.

- Led the largest investment in sidewalks in 20 years
- Will be our watchdog, ensuring regional investments improve, not worsen, our traffic
- Expand a workforce development program to prepare more youth for local jobs

#### Standing with Lacey:

Washington County Democrats  
NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon  
Oregon League of Conservation Voters  
Community Alliance of Tenants Action Fund  
Beaverton Education Association  
Columbia Pacific Building Trades  
Joint Council of Teamsters 37  
VoteVets

Oregon Labor Commissioner Val Hoyle  
Senator Elizabeth Steiner Hayward  
Metro Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez  
Beaverton City Councilor Marc San Soucie  
Hillsboro City Councilors Kyle Allen, Beach Pace  
Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation Board Chair Felicitia Montebalanco  
Beaverton School Board Members Susan Greenberg, Donna Tyner, Tom Colett

Portland Community College Board Mohamed Alyajouri

More at: [www.beatyforbeaverton.com](http://www.beatyforbeaverton.com)

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## Mayor



### Denny Doyle

**Occupation:** Mayor

**Occupational Background:** Small Business Owner

**Educational Background:** Illinois State University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Beaverton City Councilor; Tualatin Hills Parks & Recreation District

Director; President, League of Oregon Cities; National League of Cities Board; Democratic PCP

"Besides being a husband, dad, and grandpa, serving as your Mayor is the greatest honor of my life. Let's continue our work together to make Beaverton an even better place to live, work, and raise a family."  
- Denny

#### A Proven Record & A Future Focused Vision

*Denny has a vision for the future, always working to build on our progress.*

**Keeping Us Moving:** Denny prioritizes reducing congestion and ensuring efficient transportation options for pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers.

**Safe Neighborhoods:** Denny is committed to keeping Beaverton one of Oregon's safest cities.

**Housing We Can Afford:** Denny will work to lower housing costs and continue to champion new affordable homes, so families can build a life here.

"Working people in Beaverton know Denny has our back – he sees when people in our community are struggling and works to make a difference."

- SEIU, representing City of Beaverton Local 198

**Helping Our Neighbors:** Denny will work to enhance and expand programs for those experiencing instability.

**Valuing Diversity:** Denny champions our diversity, so everyone can celebrate their culture and learn about new ones.

"Denny makes people feel like this is home for them and that they are welcomed here."

- Wajdi Said & Rania Ayoub, Arab American Leaders

**Working People, Businesses & Community Leaders Support Denny**  
Tualatin Valley Firefighters Union, Beaverton Police Association,  
IBEW Local 48, Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce

Former Governor Barbara Roberts  
Beaverton Councilors Laura Mitchell, Mark Fagin  
Senator Mark Hass, Representatives Margaret Doherty, Jeff Barker,  
Sheri Schouten

Beaverton School Board Chair Becky Tymchuk,  
Members LeeAnn Larsen, Eric Simpson, Donna Tyner  
Washington County Mayors Frank Bubenik, Steve Callaway,  
Teri Lenahan, Keith Mays, Jason Snider, Pete Truax  
Past Chairs, Democratic Party of Washington County  
Rosa Colquitt, Susan Bender Phelps  
Local Business Leaders Amy Saberian, Pat Reser

[VoteDennyDoyle.com](http://VoteDennyDoyle.com)

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# City of Beaverton

## Mayor



### Cate Arnold

**Occupation:** City Councilor

**Occupational Background:** City Councilor for 15 years; Micro-Power Electronics Marketing; Precision Castparts Production Scheduling; Arthur Andersen Consulting; NASA Budget Analyst

**Educational Background:** Texas A&M Master's Suma Cum Laude in Finance; Texas A&M Bachelor's Magna Cum Laude in Economics

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Beaverton Committee for Community Involvement; Beaverton Urban Renewal Agency; City Budget Committee; Mediator, Beaverton Dispute Resolution; Mediator, Multnomah Small Claims Court; Metro Technical Advisory Committee; Social Service Funding Committee...and more

In these unpredictable times of a global pandemic, leadership is everything. It must be EXPERIENCED and RESPONSIVE to citizens, TRANSPARENT, bringing critical FISCAL and BUDGETARY EXPERTISE, and come with a passion for SERVICE vs salary and perks.

The last 27 years I've served on 40+ committees and organizations. During this time, I've likely met you, your families, your neighbors. I've supported our schools, churches, businesses, restaurants and raised a family here. Beaverton is in my heart and soul. Doing the best for Beaverton has always been my passion and vision.

#### CHARTERING FOR A BETTER BEAVERTON

Our 40-year-old charter gives too much power and pay to the mayor and has no term limits. An updated charter brings professional management with a City Manager accountable to Council, allows changing the Mayor's salary to a service level, adds three, four-year term limits, and includes gender neutral language. We need **Ballot Measure 34-298 Beaverton Charter for 2021** now!

The Mayor's salary is \$185,000+benefits- the highest elected pay in Oregon, almost 2x as much as the Governor! This lucrative salary isn't one of service and must be cut substantially. My pledge if elected: I will accept only a salary of service, donating the excess to our Social Service Funding organizations.

This is the moment for me to lead our City as Mayor with leadership and budgetary expertise, vision, institutional memory, and a deep passion to serve.

VOTE CATE ARNOLD for Mayor and  
BALLOT MEASURE 34-298 Beaverton Charter for 2021!

To learn more and get City Coronavirus updates visit:  
[www.cate4mayor.com](http://www.cate4mayor.com)

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Am I registered to vote?

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voting in Oregon

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**visit [www.oregonvotes.gov](http://www.oregonvotes.gov)**

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*for the hearing impaired*

# City of Beaverton

## Council, Position 3



### Mark Fagin

**Occupation:** Small Business Owner, City Councilor

**Occupational Background:** 20+ years business management; President, Beaverton-based Gaston Sales.

**Educational Background:** Purdue University, Aviation Technology

**Prior Governmental Experience:** City Council 2013 - Present; Joint Water Commission 2014 - Present; Visioning Advisory Committee 2009 - 2012; Beaverton Planning Commission, 2012

#### Experienced Leadership for Beaverton

#### Dear Neighbors,

It's been my honor to serve Beaverton as a City Councilor for the past seven years. I truly love serving our community; I enjoy working with the people who live here, City Hall staff, and other elected officials to help improve our great city.

While I've been on Council our city has undergone amazing changes. We are finishing construction of our Public Safety Center. We have broken ground on a major performing arts center. We have many new developments downtown that are transforming our city, with great restaurant options, new activities and an improving pedestrian environment.

Not everything is perfect. We have too many people in need, housing affordability issues, transportation concerns, a climate crisis and homelessness. Many of these issues are bigger than Beaverton, but they directly impact our city. As an experienced leader, I can work with other agencies to keep Beaverton moving forward. I have been able to push hard for our city, while maintaining good local, state and federal relationships.

I view my role as a service to my community, a role I take very seriously. I hope I have earned your vote to continue. Thank you!

**"As a small business owner Mark's skills and insights have been invaluable to the city council. Join me in re-electing Mark to the Council!" - Mayor Denny Doyle**

#### **We Support Mark:**

City Councilors: Cate Arnold, Laura Mitchell, Marc San Soucie

Beaverton Police Association  
Tualatin Valley Firefighters Union  
Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce

Ken Helm, State Representative

Kathryn Harrington, Chair, County Commission

Wendy Kroger, THPRD Board

Becky Tymchuk, Chair, Beaverton School Board

Jim Monger, Police Chief, Retired

More at: [www.fagin4beaverton.com](http://www.fagin4beaverton.com)

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## Council, Position 3



### John Dugger

**Occupation:** Nike, Supplier Management Strategist

**Occupational Background:** Cambia Health, Supplier Relationship Manager; Providence Health & Services, Orthopedic Implantable Devices Manager

**Educational Background:** Portland State University, B.S. Environmental Studies

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Beaverton Budget Committee; Chair, Highland NAC; Vice-Chair, Central Beaverton NAC; Beaverton Transportation & Capital Improvement Advisory Board; Beaverton Planning Commission.

**Community Leadership:** Co-founder, Pride Beaverton; Co-founder, Highland Helpers

**Family:** Married to Quinn Simpson; we have a rescue Great Pyrenees dog (Odin) and a cat (Kiro)

#### **It's time for *new* leadership in Beaverton!**

**John's vision: An inclusive, dynamic Beaverton prepared for the future.**

Community is at the core of John's mission. From the beginning, John has helped to give residents, workers and small businesses a voice; first as a resident himself, then as a volunteer community leader at the neighborhood and city levels. It's time that the city council's priorities reflect those of Beaverton's residents.

**John will reconnect the council with our community to solve the big problems facing Beaverton.**

Specifically, John will partner with the community to:

- Enact the Hometown Beaverton Plan, which focuses on 5 core areas; our local economy, placemaking, sustainability, transportation and government reform
- Help our small businesses thrive and create local living-wage jobs
- Work with other regional governments to make housing more affordable
- Focus on solving the biggest traumas that result in homelessness
- Bring neighborhoods and livability back to the forefront

John is proudly endorsed by:

State Representative Sheri Schouten,  
THPRD Board of Directors Ashley Hartmeier-Prigg, Heidi Edwards, Tya Ping  
Washington County Democrats,  
Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce,  
Service Employees International Union (SEIU),  
Portland Community College Federation of Faculty and Academic Professionals,  
Portland Community College Federation of Classified Employees/AFT Local #3922,  
NW Labor Council and more!

Learn more about John and the Hometown Beaverton Plan:  
<http://www.johnforbeaverton.com>

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# City of Beaverton

## Council, Position 4



### Allison Tivnon

**Occupation:** Partner & Marketing Director, ECONorthwest

**Occupational Background:** 15 years of experience in Marketing and Business Development, Civic and Philanthropic Engagement

**Educational Background:** Master of Science, Writing, Portland State University; Bachelor of Science, English Literature, California State University at Bakersfield

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Commissioner and 2019 Chair, Beaverton Arts Commission (2018 - Current); Co-Chair - Media and Communications Subcommittee, State of Oregon Complete Counts Committee (2019 - Present)

We are a strong and thriving city in a state grappling with major topics around social equity, homelessness, affordable housing, transportation infrastructure, resiliency, climate change, and emerging impacts of the Coronavirus. I would be honored to play a part in determining how our city responds to these challenges in ways that benefit our residents and that serve as guiding lights for other cities in our state.

#### There's so much to get excited about in Beaverton!

- Increase Housing Options and Affordability
- Help Beaverton Respond to Statewide Zoning Legislation
- Encourage and Maintain Strong Ties with our Business Community
- Identify and remove barriers for disadvantaged residents and communities of color to participate in community planning
- Make Beaverton an Age-Friendly City
- Make Tangible, Measurable Progress on our Climate Action Goals
- Support Transportation Innovations and Intelligent Transportation System investments
- Promote Strong Ties with THPRD and the Beaverton School District
- Identify and Encourage Catalytic Public-Private Partnerships, like the Patricia Reser Performing Arts Center
- Support Arts and Culture in Beaverton!

#### We Support Allison!

##### Elected Leaders

Denny Doyle, Beaverton Mayor  
Laura Mitchell, Beaverton City Councilor  
Mark Fagin, Beaverton City Councilor  
Cate Arnold, Beaverton City Councilor  
Marc San Soucie, Beaverton City Councilor  
Senator Mark Haas, District 14  
Representative Ken Helm, House District 34  
Becky Tymchuk, Beaverton School Board Chair

##### Associations

Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce  
Beaverton Police Association  
Tualatin Valley Firefighters Union  
Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland

For a full list of community leaders who support Allison, please visit [www.tivnonforbeaverton.com](http://www.tivnonforbeaverton.com)

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## VIEW WASHINGTON COUNTY MAY 19, 2020 ELECTION RESULTS

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<http://www.sos.state.or.us/elections/>

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# City of Portland

## Mayor



### Mark White

**Occupation:** Self-employed

**Occupational Background:** Medical education, data storage technology, food cart owner/operator, property management

**Educational Background:** Los Gatos High School, general diploma; Sawyer College of Business, legal secretary, certificate

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Chair, Powellhurst-Gilbert Neighborhood Association; Co-chair, 2011 Charter Commission; Portland Housing Advisory Commission; Portland/Multnomah Food Policy Council

If you are happy with the way things are in Portland, I'm not your candidate.

If you believe as I do that our government is broken, I hope you will consider me as your choice for Mayor after reading my vision for Portland and what I will do to guarantee you have a government defined and guided by your goals and values.

My time as co-chair of Portland's 2011 Charter Commission made it clear to me that what our government says, and what it does, are often two very different things.

The upcoming Charter Commission will be the only opportunity for another 10 years for Portlanders to define how they want their government structured and to put in place clearly defined boundaries and firewalls that will guarantee accountability and transparency, as well as eliminate the waste of money and resources.

While the Charter Commission is doing its work, I will make sure it is fully supported and protected from government interference. As for governance, I will keep all Bureaus and Offices under the Mayor's Office, but have the entire City Council work together as a team providing oversight and dissecting each aspect of government to remove any waste of money and/or resources. All oversight will take place in Council Chambers, will be open to the public, and recorded for Public Access.

With me as Mayor, you will lead.

For more detailed information on what is mentioned here and much more, please go to my campaign site at — [http://www.southofholgate.com/?page\\_id=144](http://www.southofholgate.com/?page_id=144).

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## Mayor



### Sarah Iannarone

**Occupation:** Teacher, Policy Advisor

**Occupational Background:** Mother (unpaid); Restaurant Worker; Small Business Owner

**Educational Background:** Portland State University, Urban Studies & Planning, Ph.D. (ABD)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Transportation Bureau & Budget Advisory Committee; Land Use & Transportation Chair, Mt. Scott-Arleta Neighborhood; Prosper Portland Strategic Planning Committee

#### This is no time for politics as usual.

Now more than ever, Portland needs a hard-working, courageous, compassionate mayor who can bring us together to reshape our city toward greater equity and sustainability.

The current mayor promised us experience and competence, but he's failed to solve our city's problems. The Portland we love could be unrecognizable after four more years on his watch.

#### I'm offering you an alternative.

I grew up in a union family in a factory town and worked my way through school while raising my family. I know anything is possible when we come together and work hard but we need **a leader who believes in the power of community with the right values, practical experience, professional know-how, and a sense of optimism to see us through.**

My small-donor campaign means that in City Hall, **I'll fight for everyday Portlanders in public, not for big-money donors and corporate lobbyists behind closed doors.**

I'm endorsed by powerful grassroots organizations like **Our Revolution, Sunrise Movement, and The Street Trust Action Fund** and greenlighted by **Basic Rights Oregon Equality PAC Greenlight** and **Oregon Smart Growth.**

I'm the only leading candidate championing these progressive solutions:

- **Green New Deal for Portland** creating good-paying union jobs while regaining global climate leadership
- **Housing for All Strategy** for more affordable housing, protecting renters, distributing homelessness solutions across neighborhoods, and building age-friendly communities
- **Public Safety Reforms** saving taxpayers money while protecting Portlanders through police accountability, safer streets and transit access, and safeguarding immigrants and refugees
- **Representative Government** we can trust to serve everyone, including Communities of Color and residents of East Portland
- **Coordinated Disaster Response** including investments in education, preparedness, and infrastructure

### Learn more about Sarah's policies and supporters ###

[sarah2020.com](http://sarah2020.com) | [sarah2020.com/es](http://sarah2020.com/es) (en español)

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## **It is against the law to:**

- sign another person's ballot return envelope for them
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- vote a ballot if you are not legally qualified to do so
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- sell, offer to sell, purchase or offer to purchase another voter's ballot
- obstruct an entrance of a building in which a voting booth or official ballot dropsite is located
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# City of Portland

## Commissioner, Position 1



### Carmen Rubio

**Occupation:** Executive Director, Latino Network

**Occupational Background:** Senior Policy Advisor, Commissioner Nick Fish; Director of Community Affairs, Mayor Tom Potter; Policy Advisor, County Commissioner Serena Cruz

**Educational Background:** University of Oregon, BA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Commissioner, Higher Education Coordinating Commission; Portland Community Investment Fund Advisory Board; Portland Housing Advisory Commission

**"I've worked with Carmen for years on issues ranging from criminal justice to education and immigrant rights. Carmen is the hardworking, collaborative leader our city needs."**

**-Senator Ron Wyden**

**Safe, Stable Housing for All.** Leaders at every level of government must work together on the number one challenge: our housing shortage and homelessness crisis.

- We should deploy our bond dollars to build more affordable housing now.
- We need reasonable eviction protections and more rent assistance to prevent homelessness in the first place.
- We need supportive housing with mental health, addiction treatment, and other services for the chronically homeless.

**Climate Action Now.** Portlanders want more to be done to fight climate change and our investments must reflect that. Our dollars must fund sustainable practices, create demand for renewable energy, and preserve and grow parks and other green spaces.

**Invest in Every Corner of Portland.** Investments in our workforce, roads, sidewalks, and buses can't just be about downtown. I will always fight for the parts of our city that have been underserved, like east of 82nd and outer NE Portland.

**A More Representative Government.** I will work to change Portland's form of government so when you look at City Council, you see your neighborhood and your community reflected back at you.

**Proudly endorsed by:**

Senator Ron Wyden  
 Congressman Earl Blumenauer  
 Governor Barbara Roberts  
 Multnomah County Chair Deborah Kafoury  
 Portland Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty  
 Gresham Councilor Eddy Morales  
 NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon PAC  
 Oregon League of Conservation Voters  
 Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon  
 Community Alliance of Tenants Action Fund  
 Portland Association of Teachers  
 Northwest Oregon Labor Council  
 AFSCME Local 189  
 UFCW Local 555  
 SEIU  
 Basic Rights Oregon Equality PAC Greenlight

Full list: [www.carmenforportland.com](http://www.carmenforportland.com)

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## Commissioner, Position 1



### Mary Ann Schwab

**Occupation:** Retired High School Secretary

**Occupational Background:** Volunteer Community Advocate Recognized by Mayor Bud Clark, Spirit of Southeast Portland Award; Multnomah County Chair, Ted Wheeler, The Gladys McCoy Lifetime Achievement Award; Mayor Sam Adams, Spirit of Portland

Award shared with WA-MO Advisory Committee; Commissioner Amanda Fritz, Spirit of Portland Award – *Dare to Dream too!*

**Educational Background:** Marylhurst University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Elected Chair, Inner-Southeast Coalition 1978, Sunnyside Neighborhood Association, Southeast Uplift Board of Directors. Served on Advisory Committees. Spear-headed Self-Help Grants, SES Playground, Belmont ADA ramp/front door, Benson Bubbler.

#### A TENACIOUS ADVOCATE FOR RESPONSIBLE AND TRANSPARENT CITY GOVERNMENT

SE Portland resident since 1971, deeply involved in local politics and issues that affected the community. I cannot remain silent and watch things happen that do not benefit city residents, the common good and the environment. Your vote will enable me to tackle the following issues:

#### CITY GOVERNMENT

I support changing our commission form of government to a geographical representation based on the League of Women Voters' study: *The City That Works: Preparing Portland for the Future, September 2019.*

#### MAINTAINING PUBLIC PROPERTY IN PERPETUITY

I support maintaining city properties for the benefit of current and future Portlanders. These common lands include parks, community centers, water resources, school campuses, and other properties purchased with taxpayer dollars.

#### PORTLAND COMMUNITY REPRESENTATION

I will work to give Portland residents a framework for making their voices heard. My approach will focus on grass-roots representation by geographic district.

#### LAND USE AND EQUITY

Developers with deep pockets have more influence over City Council land use decisions than do neighborhood people. I will work to ensure a level playing field for residents at the local level.

#### PORTLAND TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

I support all modes having an equitable voice in transportation planning. As Portland grows, having a good transportation strategy for the movement of people and goods is vital.

#### NEVERTHELESS SHE PERSISTED

<http://maryannschwab.weebly.com>

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# City of Portland

## Commissioner, Position 1



### Tim DuBois

**Occupation:** Lead Carpenter; Urban planner

**Occupational Background:** Woodworker

**Educational Background:** Masters of Urban and Regional Planning (June 2020), PSU.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** SMILE neighborhood association Board member

**Prior Volunteer Experience:** Portland Clean Air Board member

"DuBois stood out for [his]... pragmatic approach to land use, housing, and transportation" *Roger Valdez, Forbes 3/11/2020*

#### MEET TIM

Tim fears for the effect industrial pollution has on his sons, works hard to create solutions for affordable housing, and advocates for parks. He is a student of urban planning who stands for fiscal responsibility and common-sense change.

"I worked with Tim on a major construction project and found him to be able to coordinate scheduling, maintain a budget, and apply the work necessary to get the job completed on time" Michael Church, Contractor

#### HOUSING

Every Portlander is or knows someone who struggles to make ends meet. With so many teetering on the brink of homelessness during calm times, any disaster can spiral families out of a home. The lack of affordable housing is more than a humanitarian crisis, it is an economic crisis for the city. Portland must support builders to expand affordable housing. As a City Council member, Tim will reduce red tape and prioritize providing quality, affordable housing for all Portlanders.

#### SAFE PARKS

Tim sees the benefit of public green spaces. His ideas to create additional revenue streams can be used to revitalize aging structures and facilities, and to keep open beloved family hangouts, like Columbia Pool.

"Tim was always fully engaged with our discussions and demonstrated a genuine open-mindedness even when varying perspectives were presented. His creativity, common sense and understanding... will serve him well in the Portland City Council" Nicolai Kruger, Nicolai Kruger Studio

#### A VOTE FOR TIM IS A VOTE FOR COMMON SENSE CHANGE

#### ENDORSED BY:

Portland Clean Air

Oregon Progressive Party

Yoshie Yager, Yager Media

Jay Lane, Jack of the Woods

Darrin Amico, Amico Group

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## Commissioner, Position 1



### Candace Avalos

**Occupation:** Administrator/Student Government Advisor, Portland State University

**Occupational Background:** Educator

**Educational Background:** James Madison University, B.A. Modern Foreign Languages, M.Ed. Higher Education Administration

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Acting Chair, Citizen Review Committee. Multnomah County Democrats Precinct Committeeperson HD45.

#### A New Generation of Leadership

As a first generation "Blacktina", daughter of Guatemalan immigrants and African Americans from the South, my values about democracy are rooted in the experiences of my multiracial family. I represent a generation that feels left behind by our economy and left out of the conversation. **I have built my career on strategic, compassionate leadership, and I'm ready to bring a fresh perspective to City Hall.**

#### A Functional Government is Possible

Portland used to think of itself as a big small town, but now we have big city problems. We need elected officials to represent the communities they live in, not just the bureaus they oversee. **We must finally end our dysfunctional form of government.**

#### Addressing Houselessness is Possible

Today "affordable housing" is not affordable at all, and we can't build it fast enough. We must work across bureaus to **sweep away the regulations** that create barriers to affordability, and ensure that we have a **robust, well-funded rental assistance program**. Our houseless community needs essential services like water and sanitation immediately. We must **increase frontline services with street-based case management systems** to help those in crisis get the support they need now.

#### Police Accountability is Possible

As acting chair of a police accountability board for the city, I know we ask our understaffed police bureau to do the tough job of keeping us safe, but **there is no excuse for the broken systems that do not hold problem officers accountable**. It's time to rebuild trust between the people of this city and the officers sworn to protect them.

#### Progressive Values. Pragmatic Leadership.

#### A Better Portland is Possible

See our growing list of endorsements and supporters at [www.candaceforportland.com](http://www.candaceforportland.com)

*(This information furnished by Friends of Candace Avalos.)*

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# City of Portland

## Commissioner, Position 2



### Dan Ryan

**Occupation:** Candidate

**Occupational Background:** CEO, All Hands Raised, 30 Years of Leadership in non-profits: Education, arts, healthcare and youth advocacy.

**Educational Background:** University of Oregon, Degree; Roosevelt High School, Diploma

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Member, Portland School Board 2005 - 2008

Our city was in crisis before this pandemic and now we can't hide it.

It is time to come together and rebuild our city and make it one that works. Most voters were already upset with the lack of progress prior to the pandemic on critical crises like housing, homeless and transportation.

As the Chair of the **Portland School Board** and later as **CEO of All Hands Raised**, I brought people together to tackle big challenges like our abysmal high school graduation rates. Working together, we increased graduation rates 11.5% and for students of color, we accelerated the results, 15.5%. Thousands of Portland youth now have a brighter future!

*"I've known Dan for more than a decade. He always has kept North Portland front and center in his work. Dan is glue, he brings people together. Our city will be in good hands with Dan's seasoned leadership,"* House Speaker **Tina Kotek**

*"We need leadership! Dan knows how to build the bridges between the private and public sectors. Dan is the right fit at the right time to help us innovate out of this crisis."* **Duncan Campbell**, Founder Friends of the Children

*"Dan leads with inclusion and inspiration. I've been on many boards, yet never with a CEO with the ability to align us and play to our strengths. He is an elegant, humble and driven leader!"* **Karis Stoudamire-Phillips**, Director of Corporate Responsibility

As a gay man living with HIV since 1986, I have been fighting the status quo my entire career. If you think our city is well run, vote for one of my opponents, who have been in charge here the last 20 years. If you believe now, like never before merits change, I ask for your vote.

*(This information furnished by Dan Ryan.)*

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## Commissioner, Position 2



### Margot Black

**Occupation:** Co-Chair Portland Tenants United; Community Organizer

**Occupational Background:** College Mathematics Instructor; Director, Symbolic & Quantitative Resource Center, Lewis & Clark College

**Educational Background:** University of Oregon, M.A. Mathematics

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Commissioner, Portland Rental Services Commission

**In a moment of historic crisis, we need courageous and empathetic leaders who will fight for the change we need.**

I am a single mother, Democratic Socialist, community organizer, a fierce and effective policy advocate, and a creative problem solver with a 15-year career teaching college mathematics.

**We need systems that keep people from falling through the cracks.**

I was born into the foster care system and raised by my grandmother. I became a mother at 19. Six months later, I experienced the destabilizing trauma of a no-cause eviction.

When Portland's housing crisis reached a fever pitch in 2015, I co founded Portland Tenants United and was the architect of Portland's historic Renter Relocation Assistance Ordinance in 2017, which effectively ended an epidemic of building wide evictions and price gouging for renters, and is now being replicated in cities across the U.S.

**The Movement Candidate.**

I have a proven track record of standing up to establishment special interests to get results.

I'm endorsed by **Our Revolution**, Bernie Sanders' grassroots political organization, and have funded a strong campaign primarily through small donations from poor and working class Portlanders.

**A Brighter Future.**

Since the Coronavirus outbreak, I've led by successfully organizing to halt evictions across the state and leveraged my campaign to push for comprehensive relief from the economic fallout.

To help guide us through this crisis, I will be a powerful voice for economic recovery that prioritizes the people and planet over profit. I will fight for real rent control, a Green New Deal, universal childcare, taxing vacant apartments in order to house the houseless, and taxing the rich to fund parks, transportation and develop a robust social safety net.

**Endorsements:**

Our Revolution  
Visit [votemargot.com](http://votemargot.com) for a complete list.

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# City of Portland

## Commissioner, Position 2



### Tera Hurst

**Occupation:** Renew Oregon, Executive Director

**Occupational Background:** Deputy/Chief of Staff, Portland Mayor Charlie Hales; Chief of Staff, Oregon Legislature; Community Organizer, Basic Rights Oregon; Sales Manager, Auto Dealership

**Educational Background:** Bachelors Social Work, PSU

**Prior Governmental Experience:** none

**Community Service:** Red Cross (Katrina shelter), CASA, Sunnyside K-8, Oregon Food Bank

*Dear Voter: As a single parent working full time, I know the struggle of stretching a paycheck to pay bills and provide for my child. a supportive community and services can change your life, because they did for me— now 23 years sober. I hope to earn your vote. –Tera*

**Tera Hurst: Climate champion. Problem solver. Bold leader.**

**Crisis Response:** COVID-19 has exposed major holes in our safety net. Tera's plan will ensure we're building back stronger, helping workers get jobs, and helping small businesses open again. See the plan: [TeraForPDX.com](http://TeraForPDX.com)

**Housing and Affordability:** Thousands of people live on our streets and even more are getting pushed out of the city. This is unacceptable. Tera will:

- Extend moratorium on evictions and foreclosures
- Invest in more affordable and supportive housing units
- Expand rent vouchers for families and seniors helping them keep their homes

"Tera is focused on a more equitable and secure future for those who need it most." **Oregon House Speaker, Tina Kotek**

**Climate Crisis:** Tera led Oregon's most sweeping climate action yet. Now, Portland needs a Green New Deal – creating thousands of jobs that protect us better from global warming.

"Tera is a hero in our movement to tackle climate change. She is exactly the leader we need in City Hall." – **Doug Moore, Executive Director, Oregon League of Conservation Voters**

**Tera Hurst for Portland City Commission. Endorsements include:**

Oregon League of Conservation Voters  
 NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon PAC  
 Basic Rights Oregon Equality PAC Greenlight  
 Oregon Recovers PAC  
 Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon (APANO)  
 Antoinette Edwards, Former Director, Office of Youth Violence Prevention for the City of Portland  
 Former Mayor Charlie Hales  
 Reyna Lopez, Oregon's Farmworkers Union  
 Multnomah Commissioner Jessica Vega Pederson  
 State Senator Kathleen Taylor

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## Commissioner, Position 2



### Loretta Smith

**Occupation:** Small Business Owner, Community Affairs

**Occupational Background:** Multnomah County Outreach Director, U.S. Senator Ron Wyden

**Educational Background:** O.S.U., B.A. Communications

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Multnomah County Commissioner 2011-2018

#### Loretta's Progressive Track Record:

- Championed **\$15/hr minimum wage** for Multnomah County employees
- Secured **affordable housing** for people experiencing **mental health crisis and addiction**
- Created **2,000+ summer jobs** for vulnerable youth
- Developed policy **declaring pedestrian safety a public health issue**
- Secured **Cully Park construction funding**

"Loretta is a passionate advocate and a tough fighter. She has been a true partner, winning hard battles for Portlanders by always helping those left out and left behind in our community."

**U.S. Senator Ron Wyden**

"Loretta accomplished something that had never been done before – leading community based organizations of color to secure over \$30 million for new anti-poverty programs and services for underserved children and families."

**Tony Hopson, Self Enhancement Inc. (SEI)**

#### A City That Works For Everyone!

Loretta has the **experience and vision** to tackle Portland's biggest issues:

- Moving homeless people off the streets, into housing and connecting them to supportive services
- Building housing that is **affordable for Portlanders in every zip code**
- **Fighting traffic congestion and climate change** through equitable investments in sidewalks, public transit, and transportation
- Creating jobs that provide **housing wages and strong worker protections**

"Loretta's the progressive champion we need to ensure that investments to fight climate change provide resources for all Portlanders."

**Oregon State Senator Lew Frederick**

"Loretta is the progressive voice we need to ensure Portland becomes affordable to live and work in again."

**Oregon State Representative Janelle Bynum**

#### WE SUPPORT LORETTA!

(Partial List)

**Former State Senators Avel Gordly & Margaret Carter**  
**United Food and Commercial Workers Union, Local #555**  
**Basic Rights Oregon Equality PAC Greenlight**  
**Clackamas County Commissioner Ken Humbertson**  
**Human Trafficking Advocate Wynne Wakkila**

**Robert Phillips, Former Portland NAACP President**

**Find out why nurses, teachers, and working Portlanders support Loretta at [www.voteloretasmith.com](http://www.voteloretasmith.com)**

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# City of Portland

## Commissioner, Position 2



### Ryan A Farmer

**Occupation:** Attorney/Candidate

**Occupational Background:** Software Developer (web development, database development, decisioning software); Attorney (civil litigation, patent prosecution).

**Educational Background:** Lewis & Clark Law School, J.D.,

Southern Methodist University, B.S. Computer Science, B.A. Applied Mathematics.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** RPCV, Peace Corps Albania, Burrell Municipality (two years).

#### **Portland, we can do more!**

Our city has stalled. As our city has grown, it has become increasingly unlivable. Small changes will not solve our biggest problems: unaffordable housing, inefficient transportation, and the homelessness epidemic. We must have the vision and the will to make fundamental changes.

We can do more...

... to make renting affordable by scaling rent to income.

A landlord can always choose to not be a landlord, but a tenant can never choose to not be a tenant. This imbalance can be corrected by making rent a percentage of the market value of the rental equal to the percentage of the median income the tenant earns.

... to make transportation efficient, clean, affordable, and safe by separating vehicle types across different roads and making public transit fareless.

Our roads have reached their capacity for drivers. We must look to other modes of transportation to efficiently move around the city. By dedicating our local roads to small personal vehicles and fareless public transit, we increase the capacity of such roads, allowing for more people to move around the city more quickly and efficiently, while maintaining thoroughfares for large vehicles.

... to ease the burden of homelessness by identifying safe zones for our homeless residents.

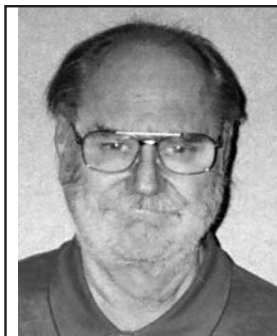
The city cannot solve homelessness because it stems from fundamental problems across all of society. The city must focus on balancing the presence of homeless residents with our businesses and other residents, while advocating to the Governor and Legislature to address the causes of homelessness.

**Fair Housing, Fareless Transit**  
**[www.farmerforportland.com](http://www.farmerforportland.com)**

*(This information furnished by Ryan A. Farmer.)*

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## Commissioner, Position 2



### Terry Parker

**Occupation:** Retired

**Occupational Background:** Customer Relationship Manager, National Account Rep (Yellow Pages), supply center management

**Educational Background:** Madison HS Portland, PCC

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Neighborhood Association Board Member, 82nd Avenue CAC 2017, Banfield Transitway CAC (Chair) 1970s

**REPRESENTATION:** Self-sufficient working class families with modest incomes and senior citizens on fixed incomes are having more and more of those incomes reduced with new and increased taxes. Their voices need to be heard at City Hall.

**TRANSPORTATION:** The city needs to stop removing and narrowing full service travel lanes on major streets thereby increasing congestion, fuel consumption and emissions. To make transit work better, entire streets need to flow better. Enhanced street lighting and crosswalks must be a safety priority. PBOT advisory committees must become inclusive of taxpaying motorist representation.

**RESIDENTIAL INFILL (RIP):** Per HB2001 and the Portland Comprehensive Plan, higher densities are allowed in town centers and along corridors. Duplexes, triplexes and quadplexes are allowed in single family home neighborhoods. Increasing density will target demolishing the most affordable homes. New construction almost always costs more. The greenest buildings are the ones already built. Pilot projects to identify affordability and impacts need to take place in neighborhoods that want more density. Higher densities citywide should be reconsidered. Adequate off-street parking with charging connectivity for electric cars needs to be required with all new residential developments so streets don't become fulltime car storage lots.

**CIVIC ENGAGEMENT:** Portland's world renowned framework of Neighborhood Associations needs to be strengthened and expanded as per the 2016 Auditor's Report. This includes giving formal recognition to community and identity groups that abide by the same standards of non-discriminatory practices, accessible open meetings and maintaining transparent minutes. The Civic Life budget needs to be increased to cover the expansion.

**HOMELESSNESS:** Provide a hand up towards self-sufficiency instead of everlasting handouts, utilize existing infrastructure such as Wapato for programs that can demonstrate results, and compassionate enforcement so Portland's notoriety is not that of tents and trash.

The Common Sense Candidate

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# City of Portland

## Commissioner, Position 2



### Julia DeGraw

**Occupation:** Nonprofit/Policy Consultant

**Occupational Background:** Nonprofit Executive Director

**Educational Background:** Environmental Studies & Sociology, B.S.

**Prior Governmental Experience:**

Portland Honest Elections (campaign finance reform); Water Protection Measure, Hood River County

#### WITH NEW LEADERSHIP, WE CAN CHANGE CITY HALL

"Julia's policy expertise and her collaborative approach are key reasons why she has my endorsement." -**Jo Ann Hardesty, Portland City Commissioner**

"Considering the public health crisis we're facing, it's more important than ever that we elect leaders like Julia, who have a proven commitment to working with impacted communities to solve problems; rethinking systems that perpetuate inequality; and taking action to support our public schools, workers, and public services." -**Suzanne Cohen, President, Portland Association of Teachers**

Throughout my career, I've brought together diverse coalitions to create progressive change—including the victorious fight to stop Nestlé from bottling our public water!

#### My Bold, Community-Focused Vision:

- **Permanently affordable housing for low income residents and seniors on fixed incomes**
- **Supportive housing for chronically houseless people struggling with mental health or addiction**
- **More equitable distribution of transportation dollars**
- **Increase investments in community centers so everyone can rely on vital services, like affordable childcare**
- **Rebuild trust between police and residents and improve police accountability**
- **Affordable municipal broadband internet for all**
- **No corporate campaign cash**
- **Support a strong, unionized, local workforce**

#### Democratize City Council

Creating geographic City Council districts means we'd elect people who represent every part of our city—allowing elected officials to prioritize legislation and constituency services that benefit Portlanders, rather than the day-to-day management of bureaus. I will support a community-led process to address this systemic lack of representation.

#### Supporters!

**Jo Ann Hardesty, Portland City Commissioner**  
**AFSCME Local 189, Portland Municipal Workers**  
**Portland Association of Teachers**  
**PROTEC17, Professional & Technical Employees**  
**Street Trust Action Fund**  
**Oregon Progressive Party**  
**Portland Community College Faculty & Staff Unions**  
**Sunrise Movement PDX, climate justice organization**  
**Bill McKibben**  
**Bill Bradbury, former Oregon Secretary of State**  
**Khanh Pham, Candidate, House District 46**  
**Basic Rights Oregon Equality PAC Greenlight**  
[www.julia4pdx.com](http://www.julia4pdx.com)

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## Commissioner, Position 2



### James "Jas" Davis

**Occupation:** Small business owner, Awakenings Wellness Center

**Occupational Background:** Owner, CASCADIA Communications; public affairs work involving communities in policy processes and helping small businesses reduce air pollution

**Educational Background:** MPS, Graduate School of Political Management (now at GW); BA, Seattle University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Chair, Multnomah County Citizen Involvement Committee; oversaw community participation in county policy and budgeting processes. Legislative Aide to Senator Al Bauer

**PERSONAL:** Jas is a parent, a progressive and a small business owner who has developed wellness centers/health clinics in East Portland. He's passionate about bringing greater health and well-being to our community

**BOARDS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Board Member, Equal Vote Coalition. Past Chair, Portland Friends School. Past volunteer with Southeast Uplift, KBOO Radio, Jobs with Justice. Organizer for universal health care, consent culture, and voting reform.

Jas works to help communities be healthier and happier and is committed to listening and making sure all voices are at the table.

#### Jas' Vision for Portland in 2020... Let's work to:

- **Strengthen Democracy** with a larger, more diverse city council elected by districts using **STAR Voting**
- **Commit to Bold Climate Action Now** with a focus on creating **Local Food Resilience!**
- **Put Housing First** with more **affordable and innovative housing strategies** for the houseless and all Portlanders
- **Prioritize small businesses, co-ops and homebuyers** with a **Public Bank** and **Community-Benefit Financing**
- **Dismantle White Supremacy & defend LGBTQ Rights**
- **Implement a Happiness Index** and focus on **Public Well-Being** approaches over failed punitive measures
- **Fully fund Public Parks**, including a **new in inner East Portland Community Center**
- **RESIST the un-democratic agendas of the current Administration and large corporations** - Let's start taking care of regular people instead of big corporations

For more info and short videos on these issues, go to [Portland2020Vision.org](http://Portland2020Vision.org)

Our campaign is people-powered. NO Corporate money or PACs!

**Together, We CAN create a more Resilient Portland that works for all of us!**

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# City of Portland

## Commissioner, Position 2



### Jack Kerfoot

**Occupation:** Energy expert on national radio and TV.

**Occupational Background:** Veteran, Scientist, Executive, Author

**Educational Background:** University of Oklahoma, Geophysics, BSc; Penn State, Executive Program

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None

**EXPERIENCE** – I began by working minimum wage jobs, served with the 101st Airborne Division in Vietnam, worked my way through university and then began a career in the energy industry. My style is to listen and collaborate to solve problems. My success turning around businesses has made me a sought-after specialist in turning around underperforming companies.

Portland is **heading in the wrong direction** and needs a turn-around specialist for:

- **Homelessness** – Our city isn't coordinating the hundreds of nonprofits working to address homelessness in Portland. This is failed leadership of our city council.
- **Affordable Housing** – Our city's new fees and policies are dramatically increasing building costs and rental rates.
- **Safe Streets** – Traffic fatalities are increasing. There are solutions that can save lives.
- **Environment** – Portland's Zenith Oil Terminal is an impending environmental catastrophe.
- **Neighborhood Associations** – We need commissioners that will listen and collaborate with our neighborhood associations.
- **Fiscal Responsibility** – City projects are all too often over budget. Poorly planned multi-million-dollar bonds are causing property taxes to soar.
- **Communication** – I support changing our antiquated form of city government. I also pledge to hold regular town hall meetings across our entire city to make sure your voice is heard.

**SUPPORTERS** – My supporters are not celebrities, they are retirees, students, blue color and professionals that live all across our city, including:

- **Dmitry Sashchenko – Small Business Owner**
- **Dr. Don Baham – Television Producer**
- **Valentina Cates – Nurse**
- **Randy Dagle – Small Business Owner**
- **Matt Haehlen – Dentist**
- **Steve Holgate – Retired**
- **Abbas Houshmanda-Shafil – Retired**
- **Dr. Michelle Kubota – Professor**
- **Paul Lewandowski – Facilities Supervisor PCC**
- **Judy Low – US Postal Employee**
- **Ron Milligan – ReMAX Owner/Broker**
- **Char Pennie – East Side PSAC**
- **David Potts – Small Business Owner, East Side PSAC**
- **Donald Shaw – Energy Advisor**
- **Robert Stafford – Retired Teacher**
- **Ron Stokes – Retired**
- **Penny Wilson – Lents NLA**

Please learn why people across our city are supporting me at [www.jackkerfoot2020.com](http://www.jackkerfoot2020.com).

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## Commissioner, Position 2



### Sam Chase

**Occupation:** Metro Councilor

**Occupational Background:** Executive Director, Coalition of Community Health Clinics; affordable housing nonprofits

**Educational Background:** Claremont Colleges, Pitzer

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Chief of Staff, City Commissioner Nick Fish; Housing Advisor, Gretchen Kafoury

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Oregon League of Conservation Voters; Northwest District Association; Coalition for a Livable Future

#### Serious Leadership for Serious Times

With the coronavirus impacting all of us, Portland needs leaders with the experience to rebuild our economy, protect the vulnerable and those impacted by job loss, and sustain our long-term health and quality of life.

With your vote, I'll apply my executive public health leadership and deep experience in homelessness and economic development to address long term needs and immediate challenges of the pandemic.

#### Strengthen Action on Housing and Homelessness

At Metro, I led regional efforts to expand housing and shelter. In Portland we must:

- Fund best practices to get people into safe, stable housing.
- Reduce cost and improve accountability to produce more affordable housing.
- Create living wage jobs that keep people from slipping into poverty and housing insecurity.

As a teenager I lost my father to mental illness and drug addiction. I'm deeply committed to solutions that address conditions contributing to chronic homelessness.

#### A Healthy, Economically Vital, Inclusive Portland

I've built partnerships creating jobs and apprenticeship programs and delivered low income TRIMET fares. I've led Metro's efforts to protect parks and nature. I'm fighting for living wage jobs for a sustainable city and economy:

- Expand job programs for workers impacted by the pandemic.
- Restore and sustain Portland Parks and Recreation, including pools, community centers, and recreation programs.
- Win free Youth Transit Passes.
- Invest in climate-smart congestion relief, pedestrian and bike safety, and earthquake-proof bridges.

#### We endorse Sam!

Governor Barbara Roberts  
Multnomah County Chair Deborah Kafoury  
Metro President Lynn Peterson  
Metro Councilor Bob Stacey  
Portland Clean Air  
Teamsters #37  
Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon  
The Street Trust Action Fund

Basic Rights Oregon Equality PAC Greenlight

See more at [www.samchaseforportland.com](http://www.samchaseforportland.com)

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# City of Portland

## Commissioner, Position 2



### Ronault LS "Polo" Catalani

**Occupation:** Civil rights lawyer; immigrant integration consultant; journalist.

**Occupational Background:** Legislative children's advocate; urban community developer; neighborhood activist; reporter and media commentator.

**Educational Background:** Howard University, RHS Community Lawyer Fellow; Willamette University, Law School; UO, College of Liberal Arts.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** City of Portland Public Involvement Advisory Council; New Portlander Policy Commission, staff; Oregon Department of Transportation, Minority and Women's Enterprise; Oregon Children's Services Division; Governor's Children's Agenda for the 1990s.

**For 36 years, I've designed and advanced successful government/community partnerships.**

**Our collaborations combined the resources of responsive city, county, and state agencies, 26 vigorous ethnic minority communities, robust schools and businesses.**

**These partnerships delivered better shared neighborhoods, and better shared futures.**

#### MY CITY POLICY PRIORITIES

- Housing, transportation, and greenspace planning integrated into an equitable, single regional strategy;
- Local environmental stewardship during our global crisis;
- Police accountability AND strong public support for our police officers;
- Integrating all Portlanders into the life of our robust city.

**From 2008 to 2018, I founded developed the City of Portland's immigrant integration programs. During that decade, our community-led partnerships brought home 24 national, state, and local honors.**

**I will bring these demonstrated partnerships' effectiveness to City governance**

#### ENDORSERS

**Tom Potter & Karin Hansen**

Portland's former Mayor and First Lady

**Rev. Dr. Rodney Paige**

Oregon's international humanitarian

**Kathleen D. Saadat**

Community Activist

**Sho Dozono**

Oregon transpacific business and civic leader

**Jaime J Lim**

Oregon transpacific business leader; newspaper publisher, former PCC board

**Ruth Jensen (Tlingit)**

Portland political activist, Native American elder

**David Barrios (Mescalero Apache)**

Urban Indian elder. Retired Portland Policing officer.

**Wajdi Said**

Oregon's interfaith healer and unifier

**Pastor JW Matt Hennessee**

Senior servant of Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church

**Mary Nolan**

Former ED Planned Parenthood PAC Oregon

**Alberto Moreno**

Former chair, Oregon Commission on Hispanic Affairs

**Linda Nettekoven**

Portland public engagement, land use and neighborhood activist

**Michelle DePass**

Member, Portland Public Schools Board

**Linda Robinson**

East Portland neighborhood greenspace activist

**Chhabi Koirala**

Founding president, Oregon Bhutanese Community Organization

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## Commissioner, Position 2



### Cynthia Castro

**Occupation:** Analyst

**Occupational Background:** Senior Policy Advisor (Commissioner Amanda Fritz), Director (Charles Jordan Community Center), Teen Services Program (PP&R), Cross Country and Track Coach, (OSU)

**Educational Background:** Oregon State University, MA Public Health,

Arizona State University, BA Anthropology, Minor Spanish, Summa Cum Laude

**Prior Governmental Experience:** See Occupational Background; and Community Health Researcher (U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services' Office on Women's Health Region X)

**As City Commissioner, Cynthia will bring a reputation as a steadfast leader who works alongside the community to get things done.**

**Resiliency:** The COVID-19 pandemic highlighted the importance of stable housing, health care and other safety nets. Cynthia supports increasing the supply of affordable housing and permanent and supportive housing, policies and programs to keep people housed, Universal Basic Income, and greater support for small businesses and creative communities.

**Livability:** No matter where you live in Portland, Cynthia knows you deserve equitable service from your local government, including sidewalks, parks, clean air, and clean water.

**Sustainable Portland Parks & Recreation:** As a champion of Portland's parks, Cynthia will build on Commissioner Nick Fish's work to secure a long-term sustainable funding model for Portland Parks & Recreation.

**Government Access:** Our commission form of government and City systems perpetuate racial inequities. Cynthia will ensure diverse representation on the Charter Review Commission and build greater trust with communities by co-creating policies and programs that meet their unique needs.

**Cynthia is what Portland needs as we overcome the COVID-19 pandemic.**

"With her capacious heart and extremely smart ways, Cynthia was able to gain the trust of little kids, elders, and everyone in between. She exemplifies determination and grit. Service to others is not just a motto for her, she lives it, means it, and breathes it. She would be an incredible addition to Portland City Council." — Kay Reid, Director, Lived Citizenship Program

To read more visit [www.cynthiacastro.com](http://www.cynthiacastro.com)

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# City of Portland

## Commissioner, Position 4



### Mingus Mapps

**Occupation:** Community Organizer

**Occupational Background:** Program Coordinator, Crime Prevention and Neighborhood Association System, City of Portland; Executive Director, Historic Parkrose Neighborhood Prosperity Initiative; Professor, Brandeis University; Visiting Fellow, Harvard

**Educational Background:** Reed College BA, Cornell University PhD

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Program Coordinator, City of Portland; Government Relations, Portland Public Schools; Assistant to Multnomah County Chair

#### REPRESENTATION MATTERS!

Mingus Mapps is running because he believes Portland can only reach its full potential if all voices are at the table. Portland is diverse and our city council should look like the people who live here. Portland needs a leader who is truly one of us - that's Mingus.

Mingus is an accountable, transparent leader with the experience we need to address Portland's toughest challenges. Mingus will:

#### MAKE CITY HALL WORK FOR PORTLAND

- Work to reform our city charter and advocate for regionally based city council districts so Portlanders across the city are represented.
- Hire a city manager so all city bureaus work effectively together.

#### PRIORITIZE HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS

- Create supportive housing for those who are chronically homeless and build more affordable housing citywide.
- Dramatically increase funding for short-term rental assistance programs so struggling Portlanders can stay in their homes.
- Coordinate services addressing homelessness across city bureaus.

#### SUPPORT OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND KEEP US SAFE

- Support and expand our neighborhood associations so every voice is heard.
- Bring back community policing and crime prevention.
- Fight climate change so that Portland is a livable city now and in the future.

"Portlanders deserve to be represented by someone with real experience. As someone who knows the ins and outs of City Hall, I can tell you Mingus is that leader." - Mark Wells, Former Crime Prevention Program Coordinator

**These organizations and community leaders proudly support Mingus:**

Portland Community College Federation of Faculty and Academic Professionals  
Columbia Pacific Building Trades  
Portland Metropolitan Association of REALTORS  
Mary Wendy Roberts, Former Labor Commissioner  
Denyse Peterson, Multnomah Education Service District Board Member

**For a full list, visit [www.mingusmapps.com](http://www.mingusmapps.com)**

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## Commissioner, Position 4



### Seth Woolley

**Occupation:** Doppler Weather Radar Software Engineer

**Occupational Background:** GPS Satellite Navigation Software for Personal Transportation, Carpooling, and Food Delivery; Security Auditing

**Educational Background:** Northwest Public Schools; Willamette University, Computer Science

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon State Legislative Campaign Finance Reform Task Force Member; Oregon Secretary of State Redistricting Task Force Member; Pacific Green Party of Oregon State Secretary; Honest Elections Portland Campaign Finance Reform Ballot Measure Co-author

**Prior Volunteer Experience:** Portland Clean Air and Cascadia Action Founder; Campaign Finance Analyst and Watchdog; Salem Citizens for Livable Communities Secretary

**Supported or Endorsed by:** 500+ small grassroots donations; Progressive Party of Oregon; Portland Clean Air

ELECT SETH WOOLLEY FOR  
**PUBLIC HEALTH, GOOD GOVERNMENT,  
AND FOR GREEN NEW DEAL JOBS**

"Seth Woolley is a whip-smart government wonk."  
— *Willamette Week*, 10/16/2012

Seth's approach to government is similar to his professional life: **dig deep into data and records**, look for significant problems, and propose and implement **data-driven, popular solutions**.

Before Seth's public record work at Portland Clean Air, there was **no systematic or online mapped analysis** of polluters across the Portland metro region. Neighbors only learned of air pollution discharges based on what they could smell, reports of failed reverse-911 phone calls, or bouts of investigative journalism.

The **root cause** of not regulating air quality with concern for **public health** was Oregon's system of **unlimited political bribery** in the form of **big money campaign donations**. Before Seth's analysis for Honest Elections, work to get campaign finance reform **on the ballot**, and **active enforcement** with official complaints and court filings, Portland's political campaigns were heavily funded by **big money donors** and **special interests** with matters before council.

Political staffers are often campaign workers reaping patronage instead of competent administrators. Portland's ethics rules remain **weak and ineffective**. Seth will appoint **good government reformers** to the Portland Charter Commission to help **deeply fix public corruption** and to reform our **antiquated commissioner form of government**.

POLITICS SHOULD BE ABOUT **DEMOCRACY**  
AND **INFORMED** BY OPEN DATA AND **PUBLIC INPUT**.  
**VOTE SETH WOOLLEY** <http://www.sethforportland.org/>

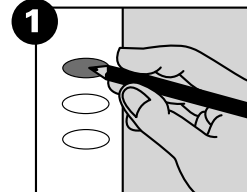
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## Complete your ballot

Carefully read and follow all instructions printed on your ballot.

**1** To vote, completely fill in the oval next to your choice.

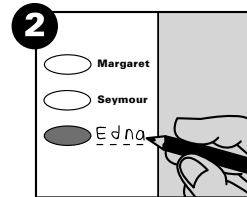


**2** To write-in a candidate:

→ Clearly print his or her name on the blank line provided on the ballot

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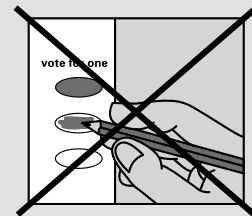
→ Fill in the oval next to the name you wrote-in



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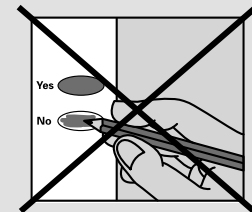
You do not have to vote on all contests.  
Those you do vote on will still count.

If you vote for more than one option, your vote **will not count** for that candidate or measure.



### **!** Check your ballot carefully

You can not change your vote after you have returned your ballot



Contact your County Elections Office or call **1 866 673 VOTE** to request a replacement ballot if:

→ you make a mistake

→ you lose your ballot

→ your ballot is damaged or spoiled

→ or for any other reason.



## The Alternate Format Ballot (AFB)

AFB is a voting tool which allows a voter with disabilities to vote privately and independently.

If you wish to have more information or would like to sign up to receive the AFB contact the Voter Assistance Team at 503-846-5820.

Email your request to:  
[elections@co.washington.or.us](mailto:elections@co.washington.or.us)

or

Visit the Elections website at:  
[www.co.washington.or.us](http://www.co.washington.or.us)

# City of Portland

## Commissioner, Position 4



### Keith Wilson

**Occupation:** President, TITAN Freight Systems

**Occupational Background:** Supervisor, TITAN Freight Systems

**Educational Background:** University of Portland, MBA; Oregon State, BS; Portland Community College; Roosevelt High School

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Vision Zero Expert

**Community Engagement:** Transition Projects Rent Well Houseless Program Mentor; Youth Basketball Coach

In difficult times we need proven, committed, caring leaders, with vision and a record of success creating and sustaining large complex systems. That is who I am, and I'd be honored to earn your vote. Let's reTHINK Portland.

#### Keith's Top Priorities Include

##### HOUSING FOR ALL AGES AND STAGES

- **Build Smaller and Faster:** Deeply affordable micro units for those with limited means or who are downsizing.
- **Lower Fees for Affordable Housing Builders**
- **Partner with Neighborhoods:** Create Local Housing Plans

##### HOMELESSNESS

- **Stop Normalizing Street Camping:** It's inhumane and unsafe. We must provide shelter with consolidated on-site services.
- **Decriminalize Homelessness:** 52% of all arrests in Portland are of homeless people. Establish a Homeless Court Program that channels people into programs not jails.

##### PUBLIC SAFETY & CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM

- **Housing not Handcuffs:** Employment, job training, and transitional housing for those coming out of incarceration. It's the right thing to do and the most cost effective.
- **Hate Speech Is Not Free Speech:** Zero tolerance for violence masquerading as protest.

##### BOLD CLIMATE ACTION NOW

- **Clean Fuels Now:** My company uses Renewable Diesel reducing our carbon and dangerous emissions up to 60%. If we can, Portland can!
- **Carbon Neutral by 2030:** Convert all City of Portland vehicles to electric and carbon free fuels by 2030.

##### FOSTERING COMMUNITY BY BUILDING NEIGHBORHOODS

- **Give More Support, Not Less:** Neighborhoods are part of the fabric of Portland. They need more support not less, especially underserved and under-resourced neighborhoods.

##### Leaders You Can Trust Endorse Keith

Mariah Dula, Neighborhood Association Leader  
Mark Johnston, Former Asst Sec US Department of Housing  
Angus Duncan, Chair, Oregon Global Warming Commission  
Chris Aiosa, Chair, Do Good  
Lisa Ortquist, CPA  
McKenna Fielding, RN  
Dr. Todd Kuether  
Kevin Murphy, Portland Fire Fighter

For more information  
[www.keithforportland.com](http://www.keithforportland.com)

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# City of Portland

## Commissioner, Position 4



### Chloe Eudaly

**Occupation:** Portland City Commissioner

**Occupational Background:** Small business owner; community advocate; nonprofit program administrator

**Educational Background:** Portland Community College, Honors Program

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Multnomah County Cultural Coalition; PPS District Parent Involvement Committee

#### Community Involvement:

Co-founder, Special Education PTA of Portland; Co-founder, Independent Publishing Resource Center

#### Endorsements:

Portland Association of Teachers; Community Alliance of Tenants Action Fund; SunrisePDX; OurRevolution; APANO; U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley; U.S. Senator Ron Wyden; Congressman Earl Blumenauer; Representative Diego Hernandez; Metro President Lynn Peterson; City Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty; Former City Commissioner Steve Novick; Housing advocate Israel Bayer; Environmental advocate Bob Sallinger

(visit [www.votechloe.com](http://www.votechloe.com) for more!)

#### PROGRESSIVE VALUES. DEDICATED ADVOCATE. EFFECTIVE LEADER.

In 2016, Chloe Eudaly was motivated to run for City Council by our affordable housing crisis, and in her first term **she has delivered results:**

#### ---HOUSING---

(more: [www.VoteChloe.com/housing](http://www.VoteChloe.com/housing))

- ✓ **Passed The Mandatory Rental Relocation Ordinance** in the first 30 days of her first term to stabilize tenants during our housing emergency.
- ✓ **Passed The Fair Access in Renting Ordinance** to lower barriers to housing and reduce discrimination.
- ✓ **Advocated for implementation of the current eviction moratorium during the COVID-19 crisis** to keep Portlanders housed through the pandemic.

#### ---CLIMATE ACTION---

(more: [www.VoteChloe.com/climate](http://www.VoteChloe.com/climate))

- ✓ **Championed the Portland Clean Energy Fund.**
- ✓ **Co-created the strongest 100% Renewables Resolution in the country.**
- ✓ **Developed the Rose Lane Project** to make public transit faster, more frequent, and full.
- ✓ Publicly **OPPOSED** the dirty Zenith Energy terminal in NW Portland.

#### ---EQUITY & ACCESS---

(more: [www.VoteChloe.com/equity](http://www.VoteChloe.com/equity))

- ✓ **Successfully fought for Universal Representation** to provide Portlanders facing deportation proceedings with legal representation.
- ✓ **Increased access to City Hall.** Equity begins with access. Chloe welcomed thousands of Portlanders to City Hall for the first time through numerous arts and culture events.

#### WE'RE NOT DONE!

See what Commissioner Chloe Eudaly has planned for her next term at [www.VoteChloe.com/plans](http://www.VoteChloe.com/plans)

Learn more and join the team:  
[www.VoteChloe.com](http://www.VoteChloe.com)

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## Commissioner, Position 4



### Sam Adams

**Occupation:** Public Policy and Government Improvement Consultant

**Occupational Background:** Director, US Program, World Resources Institute; Executive Director, City Club of Portland; Dishwasher, Mr. Steak

**Educational Background:** Portland State University, University of Oregon

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Portland Mayor; Portland Commissioner; Portland Mayor Vera Katz, Chief of Staff; District Staff, Oregon U.S. Representative Peter DeFazio

#### A Vision for Portland's future.

#### A track record of delivering it.

COVID-19 has harmed people we care about, frayed our social connections, damaged our health and financial security.

**That's why Portland needs a leader with a proven track record of getting tough stuff done during tough times.** Someone tested. Someone who works relentlessly. Someone who delivers results.

That's what Sam Adams offers. **It's never been more important.**

#### Leadership when it counts

"Floods, snowstorms, riots, recessions... **Sam has helped guide Portland through it all, as a strong and steady leader.** We need that City Council experience now." —**Sheriff Mike Reese**

"...even his toughest critics acknowledged by the end of his term that he had been an accomplished mayor." —**Willamette Week, 7/24/19**

#### Sustainable, equitable recovery centered on jobs, workers, small businesses

"Sam was Portland's Mayor during the Great Recession. **He fast-tracked construction projects, supported small businesses, got people back to work.** We can count on him to do it again." — **Fay Burch, John Mohlis, Joe Esmonde, Fred Sanchez - labor and business leaders**

#### Support for vulnerable communities

"**Sam made investments to help people stay in their homes.** He provided more assistance to the unemployed and shelter for the houseless. Now he has a plan to help Portlanders again." — **Doreen Binder and Steve Rudman - affordable housing advocates**

#### Fighting for all Portland families

"No one in this race has done more to support public schools. We trust Sam's unbreakable commitment to help reopen schools and put our students and families first." — **Gwenn Sullivan, Ann Nice, Rebecca Levison - Teachers' union past presidents**

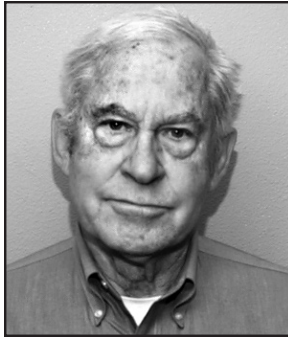
**More Endorsers, Record and Vision at: [www.samadamspdx.com](http://www.samadamspdx.com)**

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# Metro

## Councilor, District 3



### Gerritt Rosenthal

**Occupation:** Environmental Consultant/ Teacher - Retired

**Occupational Background:** Grade & high school teacher, Williams Bay, WI; Water Lab Chemist - Lane County, Oregon; Water Resources Program Manager/ Planner - Lane Council of Governments, Eugene; Adjunct Professor - Biochemistry, Concordia University, St. Paul, MN;

Environmental Consultant (40 years) - Water resources, solid waste, hazardous waste, and natural resources management - Oregon, Washington, California

**Educational Background:** Reed College - Chemistry - BS; University of Minnesota, Minneapolis - Medical Biochemistry - MS; Cornell University, Ithaca, NY - Groundwater Hydrology - MS

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Consultant to various cities and counties on environmental protection and planning issues; Rate Equalization Committee, Metropolitan Wastewater Management Commission, Eugene; Co-Chair, Metro Committee for Citizen Involvement

#### Personal

28-year area resident, civic activist, Stafford area land owner (on Tualatin River tributary), outdoors enthusiast. I believe strongly in practical regional solutions.

#### Professional

Broad experience in land-use planning, solid waste management, & environmental protection. Environmental consultant for over 40 years throughout Pacific NW. Resource studies manager and expert, including on Tryon, Fanno and Crystal Springs Creeks and Willamette River.

#### Civic Activities

Wilderness area advocate, taxation fairness advocate, Washington County OLCV leadership, Meals on Wheels. 2016 candidate for this Metro 3 position.

#### Why I'm Running

I will help Metro ensure that **all regions and jurisdictions, including unincorporated areas**, have consistent guidelines and sound technical advice. I will push for Metro's Climate Smart strategy to reduce greenhouse gases. I will represent "southern tier" residents and interests.

#### Specific Goals

- Increase recycling and reuse throughout the region.
- Ensure the SW corridor MAX serves neighborhoods through user-friendly linkages.
- Help solve homelessness with financial resources and reliable data.
- Ensure Metro's performance venues are energy efficient, attractively maintained and accessible to all.
- Continue to protect park and natural areas region-wide.
- Represent the "southern tier" region of Metro – a voice for unincorporated areas.

#### Endorsements

Senator Rob Wagner - Oregon Senate District 19  
Oregon League of Conservation Voters  
Washington County Democratic Central Committee

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## Councilor, District 3



### Alison Balbag

**Occupation:** Professor; Musician; Healthspan-Gerontologist; Researcher & Advocate

**Occupational Background:** Taught music in underserved schools; Arts integration specialist; Curriculum writer; Student life advisor; Wellness director

**Educational Background:** PhD, Gerontology – University of Southern California; Doctor of Musical Arts, Harp Performance – USC; Master of Music, Harp Performance – USC; Bachelor of Music, Harp Performance – USC; Valley Catholic Schools (Beaverton, OR)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Arts Commissioner – City of Beaverton; Vice Chair of Arts Commission – City of Beaverton; Arts Economy & Artist Support Subcommittee – City of Beaverton

- Having achieved two doctorates in separate fields, my diverse background—along with being a multiracial female and first-generation college graduate—grants me a unique insight into connecting the dots.
- I advocate for an equitable and diversified ecosystem that is forward-thinking, creative, accessible, and socially just.
- How can we create meaningful change and progress that moves **everyone** forward together?

#### Civic Engagement:

To support our shared future by redirecting our thoughts, resources, and endeavors, I've marched and advocated:

- Against the start and expansion of endless war
- For climate justice
- To end gun violence

#### Volunteer & Advisory Service in the Arts, Sciences, & Education:

- Beaverton Arts Foundation Scholarship Committee & Juror
- International Postdoc Initiative to support gender equality and female researchers
- American Harp Society
- The Gerontological Society of America
- *The Gerontologist*
- Public Speaker

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# Metro

## Councilor, District 3



### Patricia A Kepler

**Occupation:** Accessibility Specialist  
Portland Community College

**Occupational Background:**  
Independent Living Specialist/Social Security Specialist Independent Living Resources

**Educational Background:** Warner Pacific University, Mngmnt & Org Leadership, Ma

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Appointed Commissioner, Oregon Disabilities Commission; Appointed Commissioner, Oregon Commission for the Blind; Co-Chair, Metro Committee on Racial Equality; Member, TriMet Committee on Accessible Transportation

Patricia has served as a Governor appointed commissioner of the Oregon Disabilities Commission and the Oregon Commission for the Blind. She is currently co-chair of the Metro Committee on Racial Equity and serves as a consultant in the development of Metro departmental ADA transition plans.

Patricia's career has been dedicated to the integration of people with physical, cognitive and mental disabilities into the community. These people are unable to access health care, social services or work due to lack of transportation options. These individuals are unable or afraid to visit the zoo or attend a production at our local theater because they don't feel safe or welcome.

Patricia understands the need for accessible pathways and the importance of local small businesses. She recognizes the value of our parks and arts programs, and how participation in these programs help develop our community.

Patricia has dedicated her career to making sure there is a place for everyone at the table of public policy. She is running for metro council because she believes everyone should be able to enjoy the benefits of living, working, and playing in Oregon, and that they feel confident that if they show up, they will feel welcome.

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## Councilor, District 3



### Tom Anderson

**Occupation:** Real Estate Broker

**Occupational Background:**  
Owner and Principal Broker of Tigard Real Estate

**Educational Background:** Aloha High School; Washington State University, BA

**Prior Governmental Experience:**

Tigard City Councilor (2016 – present); Tigard Planning Commission President; Board of Metro Regional Water Providers Consortium; Liaison to the Tigard Parks and Rec Board

A current Tigard City Councilor, Tom has real experience to understand the variety of goals and objectives of the different cities included in Metro District 3. Tom will represent the cities' interests in regional projects, including:

- Support the current Southwest Corridor Light Rail Project's conceptual design, which includes station locations that don't displace housing and businesses and track alignment all the way to Bridgeport Village.
- Endorse Metro's T2020 Transportation funding measure to fix outdated infrastructure throughout Washington and Clackamas Counties.
- Support a detailed traffic pattern study on Highway 99W to improve congestion between Sherwood and Tigard.
- Champion smart land use planning with the goal of alleviating rising housing costs. Accomplish this by exploring the expansion of Metro's Urban Growth Boundary to stimulate the construction of new homes in the region.
- Implement Metro's affordable housing bond and work with the different Housing Authorities to supply the region with lower cost housing options.

Craig Dirksen, current Metro Councilor District 3, said this of Tom, "I believe his election to Metro Council would continue to provide the balance and range of opinion needed as the region moves forward in fulfilling its responsibilities." *The Times 12/3/2019*

Proudly endorsed by:

Craig Dirksen, Metro Councilor District 3

State Rep. Margaret Doherty - HD35

Roy Rogers, Washington County Commissioner

Denny Doyle, Beaverton Mayor

Steve Callaway, Hillsboro Mayor

Gery Schirado, Durham Mayor

Jason Snider, Tigard Mayor

John Goodhouse, Tigard City Council President

Liz Newton, Tigard City Councilor

Heidi Lueb, Tigard City Councilor

John Cook, Former Tigard Mayor

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# Metro

## Councilor, District 5



### Chris Smith

**Occupation:** Retired

**Occupational Background:** 37 years in marketing and technology at Tektronix and Xerox

**Educational Background:** Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Computer & Systems Engineering, B.S.; Boston University, Management, MBA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission, 10 years; Metro Transportation Policy Alternatives Committee, 3 years; Metro Policy Advisory Committee, 2 years; Portland Streetcar Board of Directors, 17 years

I'm running for Metro Council because of my successful track record as a community activist fighting for housing affordability and tackling the imminent threat of climate change. I'll guide Metro to ensure the dollars entrusted to us by the voters for housing and related services are spent effectively and efficiently.

We can address the **40% of greenhouse gas emissions from transportation** in our region. We'll deploy significantly more and more frequent transit service, build missing sidewalks, create safe bikeways, make telecommuting a realistic option for many and reduce reliance on drive-alone auto trips.

#### Decades of Climate, Housing and Transportation leadership

- Fought off a propane terminal on the Columbia
- Preserved 800 acres of habitat on West Hayden Island
- Leading opposition to \$800 million Rose Quarter freeway expansion
- Rewrote Portland's land use, transportation and housing policies
- Extended Streetcar across the Willamette
- Championed campaign finance reform
- Leading "Vision Zero" transportation safety

"The Metro Council is a unique agency, the only one of its kind in the nation, and Chris is uniquely qualified as a leader on the planning and environmental issues that are at the heart of its mission. Voters have this one chance to elect a transportation expert who is rooted in the community."

#### Former Metro President David Bragdon

"As youth climate justice leaders, we endorse Chris for Metro because of his relentless successful advocacy to stop fossil infrastructure, decarbonize our region's transportation system & center climate justice values."

#### Sunrise Movement PDX

Also endorsed by:

**The Street Trust Action Fund**  
**PPS School Board Member Scott Bailey**  
**Former Portland City Commissioner Steve Novick**

[www.ChrisForMetro.com](http://www.ChrisForMetro.com)

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## Councilor, District 5



### Karen Spencer

**Occupation:** Co-Founder Search-funder.com and mentor, helping small business, women and minority entrepreneurs access expertise and capital for success

**Occupational Background:** 14 years at Nike, building strategies and implementing plans with impacts 3, 5, 10 years into the future

**Educational Background:** Stanford Business MS; Harvard Law JD; MIT, BS Chemical Engineering

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon's Youth Development Council; Portland Utility Board; Metro's Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Committee

Our region has grown tremendously and will continue to grow steadily. We have the opportunity now to preserve the best of our region, while building a prosperous, sustainable, and equitable future for all. And it's going to take the strategic, long-range planning skills I have to achieve this vision.

With your vote, I will:

**Fight for increased affordable housing** to reduce homelessness and ensure people can live in the same community they work. We must stop pushing people out, and we need thousands of affordable homes to fix this problem.

**Work for accessible, efficient and clean transportation** options so we can spend more time with family and friends, and less time sitting in traffic. This means improved transit reliability, with electric bus investments, youth passes, and safer pathways that connect communities and address underserved populations.

**Demand environmental stewardship** to preserve our clean air and water, forests, parks and open spaces for generations to come. I'll continue my work in expanding access for all people to enjoy our parks and trails, waterways and quiet places. I've worked with Metro to address equity and access in our region, and will build upon this commitment to our people, climate, and communities.

**Proudly endorsed by Teamsters Local 37 and other advocates for working families, affordable housing, equity and justice leaders, Metro Councilor Shirley Craddick, Kathryn Harrington, Washington County Commission Chair, former Metro Councilor, and many more! See the full list at [VoteForKarenSpencer.com](http://VoteForKarenSpencer.com).**

**Vote Karen Spencer for Metro District 5!**

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# vote!



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# Metro

## Councilor, District 5



### Cameron Whitten

**Occupation:** Executive Director, Brown Hope

**Occupational Background:** Small Business Owner; Q Center Executive Director; Community Volunteer

**Educational Background:** PCC; PSU (BA Economics); Willamette University (MBA Student)

**Prior Governmental Experience:**

PBOT Advisory Committee; TriMet Equity Advisory Committee; Multnomah County Levy Oversight Committee; Office of Neighborhood Involvement Advocate

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:** Know Your City; Pioneer Courthouse Square; REACH Community Development; Venture Portland

"I'm running for Metro because I want to help our community. I've dedicated my entire career to making a better future for all Portlanders through community-based solutions: affordable housing, safer roads, thriving local businesses, and vibrant greenspaces.

With your support, we can make sure no Portlander is left behind.

You can count on me in this fight."

—Cameron

**CAMERON WHITTEN: FOCUSED ON RESULTS**

- Make sure all voices are heard and respected
- Invest in affordable housing for all
- Make our streets safer and reduce congestion
- Create jobs and improve public infrastructure
- Safeguard open spaces, clean air and water
- Transparency and accountability with tax dollars

**CAMERON WHITTEN: EFFECTIVE AND OUTSPOKEN LEADER**

"Cameron is a leader who shows up and fights for all Portlanders. I proudly endorse him."

—US Congresswoman Elizabeth Furse

**CAMERON WHITTEN: AFFORDABLE HOUSING LEADER**

"Cameron will help build a community where all families and children have safe, quality, and affordable housing."

—Israel Bayer, former Executive Director, Street Roots

**CAMERON WHITTEN: FIGHTING FOR COMMUNITY**

"Cameron is an inclusive and collaborative leader who makes me hopeful for the future."

—Adam Lyons, Executive Director, Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods

**LEADERS WE KNOW AND TRUST SUPPORT CAMERON**

Former Mayors Sam Adams; Tom Potter  
City Commissioners Amanda Fritz; Mike Lindberg  
Former Multnomah County Chair Jeff Cogen  
Former Senators Avel Gordly; Bob Boyer  
State Representatives Diego Hernandez; Rob Nosse; Carla Piluso  
David Douglas School Board Chair Andrea Valderrama  
Ernesto Fonseca, CEO, Hacienda CDC  
Next Up Action Fund  
Our Revolution Portland  
Community Alliance of Tenants Action Fund  
East County Rising PAC  
The Street Trust Action Fund  
Basic Rights Oregon Equality PAC Greenlight

**Vote for a Real Progressive Champion**

**CAMERON WHITTEN**

[www.WhittenForOregon.com](http://www.WhittenForOregon.com)

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## Councilor, District 5



### Mary Peveto

**Occupation:** Founder & Executive Director, Neighbors for Clean Air

**Occupational Background:** Non-Profit Executive; Women's Brand Manager; Sportswear Executive.

**Educational Background:** B.S., Macalester College

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Chair of the Multnomah County Advisory Committee on Sustainability and Innovation; U.S. EPA Clean Air Act Advisory Committee; Cleaner Air Oregon Advisory Committee.

For the past decade, I've dedicated my life to protecting people from the damage air pollution does to our health and quality of life. I've gone up against both corporate polluters and ineffective government agencies to protect our families. Send me to Metro so I can continue fighting for you.

**Mary Peveto Fought Corporate Polluters and Won**

As the Founder of Neighbors for Clean Air, Mary forced corporate polluters to install air cleaning equipment to dramatically reduce the toxic air choking our communities. She advanced legislation to curb diesel pollution statewide, and successfully pushed our state legislature to pass the largest increase in funding for the Department of Environmental Quality in over two decades.

As your Metro Councilor, Mary Peveto will:

- Empower local governments to **face the climate crisis**.
- Take faster action to **clean the air we breathe**.
- **Protect our most vulnerable communities**.
- Push for strong policies to **address the housing crisis**.
- Advocate for **transformational transportation options**.

*"Mary is exactly the leader Metro needs to meet the climate emergency. Her record of holding corporate polluters accountable shows she understands how climate change is hurting the most vulnerable in our community. That's why Mary Peveto is the only one I trust to represent Metro District 5."* -Jan Zuckerman, Cofounder, Sunnyside Environmental School

Endorsed by:

Oregon League of Conservation Voters  
Basic Rights Oregon Equality PAC Greenlight  
AFSCME Local 3580  
Jeri Jimenez, Founder, Environmental Justice Action Group  
Robin Morris Collins, Professor of Law  
Tony DeFalco  
Rex Burkholder, Former Metro Councilor  
John Tapogna, Economic Consultant  
Dr. Vivek Shandas, Professor of Climate Adaptation, Portland State University  
Chris Van Dyke, Former VP of Communications, World Wildlife Fund  
Brad Avakian, Former Labor Commissioner

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# Metro

## Councilor, District 5



### Mary Nolan

**Occupation:** Director, Unitus Community Credit Union; Director, Teatro Milagro; Advisor, OHSU Avel Gordly Center for Healing

**Occupational Background:** Planned Parenthood Advocates Pro-Choice Champion; ACLU 100% Voting Record; Basic Rights Oregon Hero of the House; Co-founder, Oregon NARAL; Oregon

League of Conservation Voters Best Environmental Committee Work; Steering Committee, Fair Shot Coalition for economic and racial justice; Tom McCall Legacy Award for environmental leadership, 1000 Friends of Oregon

**Educational Background:** Dartmouth College

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Representative, House Majority Leader

Together we must make big changes:

- \* reverse climate disruption, invest in transit we can truly love
- \* design safer streets, prepare for zero-emission vehicles
- \* build enough affordable homes
- \* provide basic shelter and supportive services so everyone finally has a safe indoor place to sleep
- \* deliberately practice and promote racial justice
- \* protect habitat, farmland, natural splendor and ancestral lands
- \* actually achieve our goals for housing, transportation, open space by setting and enforcing measurable targets
- \* protect middle class jobs and create realistic career opportunities

Mary Nolan confronts big challenges head on and gets big results: from landmark environmental improvements to bold laws protecting and expanding women's rights, racial equity, economic justice, LGBTQ rights and affordable housing. If competence, results and getting important things done well matters to you, Mary Nolan is exactly who you'll want at Metro now.

Endorsed as a trusted ally and fierce advocate by leaders and groups who stand up for us:

- \* Governor Kate Brown
- \* Governor Barbara Roberts
- \* Oregon House Speaker Tina Kotek
- \* Portland Firefighters IAFF Local 43
- \* Portland Association of Teachers PAC
- \* State Senators Lew Frederick, Elizabeth Steiner Hayward, Margaret Carter
- \* State Representative Mitch Greenlick
- \* Climate leader Thomas Wheatley (former Director, Renew Oregon)
- \* Seniors and disabilities advocate Dr. Jim Davis
- \* NW Regional Carpenters Union
- \* Community, Arts and Cultural leaders Sho Dozono, Dañel Malán, Roey Thorpe, Wajdi Said, José González, Kieu-Oanh Nguyen, Hector Hinojoso
- \* Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde

Together

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## Online Voters' Guide

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# Washington County

## Measure No. 34-296

### Ballot Title

#### **Replacement Local Option Levy for Countywide Public Safety Services**

**Question:** Shall Washington County support enhanced public safety services by levying 47¢ per \$1,000 assessed value for five years, beginning 2021? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

**Summary:** Measure replaces levy expiring June 2021. Replacement maintains and adds to countywide public safety services.

#### Maintained:

- Investigation, forensics services and prosecution of homicide and other major crimes supporting public safety countywide;
- Trained mental health responders including deputies and mental health professionals helping people in crisis get medical assistance instead of going to jail;
- Juvenile programs reducing crime;
- Monitoring registered sex offenders and other supervision;
- Victims' assistance and emergency shelter, including for women and children who are victims of domestic violence.

#### Added:

- Enhanced prosecution and supervision for domestic violence, child abuse and child pornography cases;
- More deputies to operate the jail at full capacity, minimizing early release of offenders;
- Enhanced diversion programs reducing juvenile crime;
- Services to quicken the transition from shelter to stable housing, including for domestic violence survivors.

Five-year, fixed rate of 47¢ per \$1,000 of assessed value, an increase of 5¢. If approved, this would be the first increase in the rate since original 2000 levy.

In 2021, typical homeowners with an assessed value (not market value) of \$300,000 would pay \$141.

Estimated levy amount for each year:

\$34,751,000 in 2021-2022  
\$36,228,000 in 2022-2023  
\$37,767,000 in 2023-2024  
\$39,373,000 in 2024-2025  
\$41,046,000 in 2025-2026

### Explanatory Statement

Washington County provides public safety services to every city, unincorporated neighborhood and rural area countywide.

Measure 34-296 would replace a five-year levy expiring in June 2021. The expiring levy funds 16% of the County's public safety system. A replacement levy would run from July 2021 to June 2026.

#### **What would replacement of this levy do?**

Measure 34-296 would both maintain and add to current levels of public safety services in all areas of Washington County.

Maintained services would include:

**Investigation, forensics and prosecution services addressing major crimes such as homicide and assault, among others.**

**Trained mental health responders including a mental health response team of deputies and mental health professionals**

**helping people in crisis get medical assistance instead of going to jail.**

- Last year, nearly 40% of the team's 5,118 calls resulted in nontraditional law enforcement solutions such as helping individuals get immediate medical care or follow-up response to ensure a safe outcome to a crisis.

**Programs that focus on reducing juvenile crime.**

**Compliance monitoring for registered sex offenders and others requiring court-ordered supervision.**

**Victims' assistance and emergency shelter, including for women and children who are victims of domestic violence.**

- Levy funds would continue to support emergency shelter and other services provided by the Domestic Violence Resource Center, Community Action, Good Neighbor Center, Family Promise, Boys and Girls Aid Society Safe Place and the Family Justice Center of Washington County.

Additional services would include:

**Enhanced prosecution of child abuse and child pornography cases.**

**Increased investigation, prosecution and supervision of those charged with domestic violence.**

- In 2019, 985 domestic violence cases were filed, a 36% increase in caseload when compared to 2018.

**Operating the jail at full capacity to minimize the early release of offenders.**

**Enhanced juvenile diversion programs to help youth avoid more crime.**

- Additional levy dollars would help provide accountability by youth and restore justice to victims.

**Services to quicken the transition from emergency shelter to stable housing for individuals and families, including survivors of domestic violence.**

- Temporary shelters have seen a 70% increase in use over the last three years.
- Enhanced levy funding would provide rent assistance for domestic violence survivors and help people find jobs and safe permanent housing.

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

The replacement levy would set a five-year, fixed rate of 47¢ per \$1,000 of assessed value, an increase of 5¢. If approved, this would be the first increase in the rate since the original levy in 2000. In 2021, typical homeowners with an assessed value (not market value) of \$300,000 would pay \$141.

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

The expiring levy funds 16% of the County public safety system. Although public safety would remain a priority, reductions affecting prosecution, law enforcement, supervision, corrections and emergency shelters would likely begin in 2021.

#### **More information?**

Visit the Washington County web site at [www.co.washington.or.us/levies](http://www.co.washington.or.us/levies)

Submitted by:  
Alan Rappleyea, County Counsel  
Washington County

No Arguments in Opposition of this measure were filed.



# Washington County

## Measure No. 34-296 Arguments

### Argument in Favor

#### SHERIFF AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY SUPPORT MEASURE 34-296

As Washington County's only elected criminal justice leaders, we need your continued support to keep Washington County one of the safest urban counties in Oregon.

We ask voters to remain confident in the direction of our community and focus on our long-term priorities even as we collectively work through the current challenges.

Measure 34-296 provides existing core services to every community and resident in Washington County including:

#### **Prosecuting child abuse and child pornography cases**

The District Attorney's office prosecutes child abuse and child pornography arrests made by city and county police officers. The levy supports prosecutions that keep kids safe and enhances our ability to hold child abusers accountable.

#### **Mental Health Response Teams**

These countywide teams staffed by deputies and mental health professionals make sure people in mental health crisis get the medical help they need, often instead of being taken to jail.

#### **Victim's assistance and emergency shelter for families harmed by domestic violence**

The levy funds assistance programs for crime victims, including emergency shelters for victims of domestic violence and their children who have been traumatized by violence.

#### **Continuing to reduce juvenile crime**

Levy funds have helped reduce juvenile crime in Washington County by approximately 48% over the past decade, despite rapid population growth. The levy will continue juvenile crime prevention efforts and enable new diversion opportunities.

#### **Protecting domestic violence victims and holding offenders accountable**

The levy enables city and county police officers and District Attorney prosecutors to strengthen the investigation, enforcement and prosecution of crimes related to domestic violence.

#### **Allows the Washington County jail to operate at full capacity**

The levy reduces the need to release inmates due to overcrowding.

**The levy rate of .47 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value is less than \$12 a month. This is the first increase in the rate in 20 years!**

**Please help us continue making Washington County a safe community. Vote yes on Measure 34-296.**

This information furnished by:  
Pat Garrett, Sheriff  
Kevin Barton, District Attorney

### Argument in Favor

#### MAYORS URGE A 'YES' FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY

#### **Safe Neighborhoods and Communities Are Important!**

We need places where kids can focus on learning, parents can build strong families, and businesses can grow and create

jobs. **Countywide Public Safety is a fundamental part of our successful cities**, and directly contributes to the economy and high quality of life we so value.

#### **MEASURE 34-296 IS VITAL TO PUBLIC SAFETY IN OUR CITIES**

Funds provided by this levy directly help provide safe communities by supporting special law enforcement teams, prosecutors, jail deputies, probation supervisors and victim's assistance.

Funding from the levy:

- Enhances prosecutions of offenders arrested by city police officers for crimes including child abuse, child pornography, and domestic violence.
- Supports programs which pair a police responder and a mental health practitioner to assist those in crisis and help people get medical assistance, often instead of being taken to jail.
- Helps the jail operate at full capacity, minimizing early release of potentially dangerous offenders due to overcrowding.
- Allows for programs that help reduce juvenile crime which has declined 48% during the past 10 years despite rapid population growth.
- Provides jail transport services so city officers can remain focused within our communities instead of driving offenders to jail.
- Enhances victims' assistance services and emergency shelter for women and children who are victims of domestic violence.

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

Frank Bubenik, Mayor of Tualatin	Teri Lenahan, Mayor of North Plains
Steve Callaway, Mayor of Hillsboro	Keith Mays, Mayor of Sherwood
Jeffrey Dalin, Mayor of Cornelius	David Meeker, Mayor of Gaston
Denny Doyle, Mayor of Beaverton	Gery Schirado, Mayor of Durham
Jason Snider, Mayor of Tigard	Ken Gibson, Mayor of King City
Pete Truax, Mayor of Forest Grove	

This information furnished by:  
Denny Doyle  
Mayor of Beaverton

### Argument in Favor

#### **BUSINESS LEADERS URGE A 'YES' FOR PUBLIC SAFETY LEVY, MEASURE 34-296**

**Washington County needs good schools, good libraries and safe neighborhoods.** This is why Westside Economic Alliance supports a 'yes' vote on the Public Safety Levy, Measure 34-297 on our ballots May 19th.

The Westside Economic Alliance represents both the private and public sectors in working to enhance our economic vitality in the region. As business leaders, we care about the business environment. A big part of it is to **assure we have healthy, safe and vibrant communities** to attract and retain employees and their families!

We all have significant concerns at this time over the health and economic impacts of COVID-19. However, we are confident in our resiliency and encourage voters to put equal focus on the essential long-term benefits of this FIVE-YEAR levy.

# Washington County

## Measure No. 34-296 Arguments

Your 'yes' vote for the Levy ensures our local public safety system of law enforcement, crime prevention, prosecution, jails and probation and parole supervision remain the best in the state. A 'yes' vote also helps to provide these critical services:

- Emergency shelter for women and children who are victims of domestic violence
- Mental Health response teams that include deputies AND mental health professionals to defuse crisis situations and prevent escalation of harmful behaviors
- Victims' Assistance programs for those harmed by crimes
- Additional Juvenile services & programs that have reduced juvenile crime by 48% in the past 10 years even with rapid population growth.

The Public Safety Levy includes a five-cent increase over the current tax rate, to .47 cents per thousand of assessed value, reflecting the first rate increase since the levy was initially approved by voters in 2000.

**Please join us in maintaining a safe community for our families and businesses.**

**Vote 'YES' for Public Safety, Measure 34-296**

Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland  
Tualatin Chamber of Commerce

This information furnished by:  
Pamela Treece  
westside economic alliance

### Argument in Favor

#### PLEASE JOIN WASHINGTON COUNTY IN SUPPORT OF COUNTYWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY

Whether you live in a city, urban unincorporated community, or rural area – Washington County has some of the safest, most livable communities in the Pacific Northwest. As your elected Board of Commissioners, the most important job we have is ensuring Washington County remains the place you want to live and, for this reason, **we unanimously support the Public Safety Levy – Measure 34-296.**

Please consider:

1. This is a replacement levy with a tax rate of .47/\$1,000 of assessed property value, a five-cent increase over the current rate. This is the first rate increase since the levy was first approved by voters 20 years ago.
2. It helps fund Sheriff's patrol, District Attorney's prosecution, jail, parole and probation, victims' assistance, and juvenile services.
3. Specific **key services** include:
  - **Mental Health Response Teams** that pair a deputy and a mental health clinician to make sure that people in crisis get medical help, oftentimes instead of being taken to jail.
  - **Prevention programs that have helped reduce juvenile crime** over the past ten years, even with population growth.
  - **Operation of the jail and work release center at full capacity**, which minimizes early releases.
  - **Interagency enforcement teams** (Major Crimes, Gangs, and Narcotics).
  - **Emergency shelter and services for women and children** who are victims of domestic violence.
  - **Victims' Assistance** programs for victims of crimes.

Public Safety Levy programs prevent crime, reduce domestic conflicts and hold criminals accountable – all to help **keep our communities safe.**

**Measure 34-296 and Measure 34-297 (the library levy) give voters an opportunity chance to reinvest in safe and livable communities, and we urge a "YES" vote on both!**

#### Washington County Commission

Commissioner Kathryn Harrington, Chair  
Commissioner Roy Rogers  
Commissioner Dick Schouten  
Commissioner Pam Treece  
Commissioner Jerry Willey

This information furnished by:  
Kathryn Harrington  
Washington County Board of Commissioners

### Argument in Favor

#### PLEASE HELP STOP CHILD ABUSE YES on Measure 34-296!

As Washington County's only children's advocacy center, Child Abuse Response and Evaluation Services (CARES) Northwest encourages you to **vote YES on Measure 34-296.**

CARES Northwest has worked with the county's public safety agencies since 1987. Our mission is to stop child abuse and neglect through multi-disciplinary prevention, medical evaluation, ongoing treatment in partnership with our community.

Child abuse affects everyone in a community. It's more common than most people think – according to the Centers for Disease Control, **at least one in seven children experience abuse.** Abuse can happen in any neighborhood and any community, and sadly, we know that thousands of kids in Washington County experience abuse each year. Trauma in childhood, if left untreated, doesn't just make childhood more difficult. It increases the likelihood of challenges later in life, including mental health problems, homelessness, and drug addiction.

In the past 10 years, we've seen a 27% increase in the number of Washington County children needing child abuse medical evaluations at CARES Northwest. **Our Washington County public safety partners play a critical role in helping children access the medical and mental health care children need – promoting their healing and safety.**

As a medical program specializing in serving children and families impacted by child abuse, we rely on a strong public safety system. Please vote **YES on Measure 34-296** to not only protect children today, but promote the health and safety of our community well into the future.

#### Please vote "Yes" on Measure 34-296

Kevin Dowling, Executive Director, CARES Northwest

This information furnished by:  
Gerald Kubiak

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### Argument in Favor

#### JUDGES BELIEVE PUBLIC SAFETY LEVY CRITICAL TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

As the judges of Washington County, we support this levy because our criminal justice system is much more than just a judge and a courtroom. Having all parts of the public safety system sufficiently funded keeps our community safe. The services funded by this levy will include shelters for domestic violence victims, programs to reduce juvenile crime, services for those in emotional or mental crisis, assistance to victims of crime, and probation and parole supervision for offenders as they integrate back into our communities.

Our countywide public safety system receives critical funding through the local operating levy that expires in June 2021. We are asking for your 'YES' vote to ensure these critical services continue.

This levy allows the public safety system to:

- Provide shelter and other services to victims of domestic violence;
- Provide mental health response teams to respond to 911 calls involving individuals who are in crisis;
- Operate the jail and work release center at full capacity, minimizing early release of offenders;
- Support both adult and juvenile drug court programs;
- Continue programs that have reduced juvenile crime by almost 60% over the levy's 19 year history.

These **critical core services** can be continued for the next five years at the rate of 47 cents per \$1000.00 assessed value and services **will be enhanced** to meet the needs of our growing county.

As judges in Washington County, we believe it is our obligation to let voters know how crucial Measure **34-296** is to our criminal justice system. This statement is intended for that purpose.

Judge D. Charles Bailey	Judge Kathleen Proctor
Judge Erik Bucher	Judge Keith Raines
Judge Eric Butterfield	Judge Beth Roberts
Judge Andrew Erwin	Judge Theodore Sims
Judge Oscar Garcia	Judge Brandon Thompson
Judge Rebecca Guptaill	Judge Janelle Factora Wipper
Judge Ricardo J. Menchaca	

This information furnished by:  
Beth Roberts, Presiding Judge Washington County

### Argument in Favor

#### Police Chiefs Support the Public Safety Levy

As the nine police chiefs of the cities located in Washington County, we support Measure 34-296. This measure funds both **services already in place and enhances other programs throughout the criminal justice system** that allow our police departments to most effectively protect and serve our cities.

Your **YES** vote ensures:

- Levy funds increase current staffing levels at the District Attorney's Office, allowing prosecutors to hold dangerous offenders accountable, such as child predators and domestic violence abusers.
- The continued operation of county-wide Mental Health Response Teams that pair a deputy and mental health clinicians who respond together to people in crisis so they get the help they need instead of being taken to jail.
- That 108 levy-funded beds at the Jail and Community Corrections center remain open, reducing the number of inmates released early due to overcrowding.
- Continued supervision and compliance checks of over 2,000 registered sex offenders continues.
- The Sheriff's Office jail transports services continue for our cities. This keeps busy police officers on patrol in our communities instead of leaving to take someone to jail in Hillsboro.
- Continued staffing of forensic technicians and forensic analysts who process complex crime scenes by collecting fingerprints and trace evidence, providing 24-hour support to county and city law enforcement.

We urge you to vote **YES on Measure 34-296** and support the Washington County Criminal Justice System.

Jesse Baker, Police Chief  
John Bennett, Police Chief  
Jim Coleman, Police Chief  
Ronda Groshong, Police Chief  
Jeff Groth, Police Chief  
Ernie Happala, Police Chief  
Kathy McApline, Police Chief  
Bill Steele, Police Chief

We urge you to vote **YES on Measure 34-296** and support the Washington County Criminal Justice System.

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

This information furnished by:  
Jeff Groth

### Argument in Favor

#### Law Enforcement Urges "Yes" Vote.

As your neighbors, and as your city police officers and county deputies, we urge you to join us in voting "Yes" to renew the Public Safety Levy.

We work closely with the justice system and know first-hand that all components must be strong for public safety to be achieved. We want Washington County to remain a place where people choose to live and where businesses thrive!

#### **Safe communities require more than good local police work.**

- This levy ensures full staffing at our county's only jail and minimizes early release of offenders due to overcrowding.
- It provides adequate parole and probation supervision of offenders who have served their time and are released back into our community.
- It funds the Mental Health Response Team, which de-escalates potentially dangerous encounters when mentally ill individuals are in crisis.

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- It ensures enough prosecutors are available to follow-up on our arrests and continues effective juvenile crime reduction efforts.

### **Victims' assistance is a priority.**

Levy funds also help pay for emergency shelters for women and children who are the victims of domestic violence.

### **The tax rate increases by just a nickel.**

This levy renewal includes the first rate increase since first being approved by voters in 2000.

As your public safety professionals, we take pride in what we do, in the communities that we serve, and in our ability to work together to ensure a safe and livable Washington County. Your support for the Public Safety levy helps us keep you and your family safe.

Endorsed by:

Tigard Police Officers Association  
Tualatin Valley Firefighters Union

This information furnished by:

Patrick A. Altire  
Washington County Police Officers Association

## Argument in Favor

**Domestic Violence Resource Center and  
Family Justice Center  
ask you to vote "yes" on Measure 34-296**

The Domestic Violence Resource Center (DVRC) educates, supports and empowers survivors, and their children, who are affected by intimate partner violence by offering counseling, advocacy, shelter services and community outreach. The Family Justice Center (FJC) reduces domestic violence through a multi-disciplinary partnership of public and nonprofit service providers together under one roof.

We have seen a marked increase in the need for our services as our county grows and domestic violence comes out of the shadows. The Washington County Public Safety Levy has become an essential source of funding for our shelters and the support services that victims of domestic violence need to stay safe, heal, break the cycle of violence and abuse, and move forward positively into the next chapters of their lives.

### **We provide vital services that are made possible by the Public Safety Levy:**

#### **DVRC**

- Monika's House, Mary Mac House and Sojourner's House, shelters for survivors of domestic violence
- Free adult, adolescent and children's counseling
- Assistance with Protection Orders
- A 24-hour crisis line

#### **FJC**

- "One-stop shop" with access to over 11 partner agencies onsite
- Help with applications for financial and legal assistance
- Rapid protection orders via remote court onsite

**Monika's House is the only confidential shelter for victims, their children, and their pets fleeing domestic violence in Washington County.** This and all other DVRC programs would be negatively impacted by the elimination of funding from the Washington County Public Safety Levy.

One way we as a community can ensure that the vital safety

needs of Washington County residents continue to be met is to vote "yes" on Measure 34-296.

This information furnished by:

Rosemary (Rowie) Taylor, ED  
Domestic Violence Resource Center

## Argument in Favor

**SUPPORT MENTAL HEALTH  
'YES'  
FOR PUBLIC SAFETY LEVY  
MEASURE 34-296**

Supporting those in mental health crisis - throughout Washington County - is essential to maintain safe and livable communities. This is why, LifeWorks NW, supports a 'yes' vote on the Public Safety Levy, Measure 34-236 on our ballots May 19<sup>th</sup>.

LifeWorks NW is a non-profit supporting both the cities and unincorporated areas of Washington County. The Local Option Levy funds a variety of important functions including, what I consider critical, the Mental Health Response Team (MHRT).

MHRT offers a unique model, pairing mental health clinicians with specially trained deputies. They respond to a range of behavioral health calls and to those in emotional distress, often helping de-escalate situations that could lead to violence or suicide.

MHRT is able to problem solve and resolve the majority of situations in the community, where people are most comfortable. They also help connect community members to appropriate ongoing care, reducing costly hospitalizations, emergency room visits or jail time.

Your 'YES' vote for the Levy ensures funding for our local public safety system and MHRT; which saves lives, reduces costs and enables law enforcement to truly serve and protect some of our most vulnerable community members.

**Please support mental health for our safe community, Vote 'YES' for Public Safety, Measure 34-296**

Mary Monnat, CEO, LifeWorks NW

This information furnished by:

Mary Monnat  
LifeWorks NW



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## Measure No. 34-297

### Ballot Title

#### **Renewal of Local Option Levy to Support Countywide Library Services**

**Question:** Shall Washington County support library services countywide by levying 22¢ per \$1,000 assessed value for five years, beginning in 2021? This measure renews current local option taxes.

**Summary:** Measure renews a levy that expires in June 2021. Renewal supports member libraries of Washington County Cooperative Library Services (WCCLS) in Aloha, Banks, Beaverton, Cedar Mill, Cornelius, Forest Grove, Garden Home, Hillsboro, North Plains, Sherwood, Tigard, Tualatin and West Slope. It funds central support and services that link libraries together. The expiring levy provides 40% of total WCCLS funding.

Renewal of the levy helps libraries by:

- Maintaining open hours at all libraries, avoiding cuts in service;
- Funding children's reading events, including summer reading and literacy programs for preschoolers;
- Purchasing books and materials that all library users have access to countywide;
- Providing reading and learning support, including online access and homework help designed to improve school success for all students in the county;
- Maintaining central support and services that link libraries together.

The renewed five-year levy continues library services at a fixed rate of 22¢ per \$1,000 of assessed value, which is unchanged from the current rate.

In 2021, typical homeowners with an assessed value (not market value) of \$300,000 would pay \$66.

Estimated levy amount for each year:

\$16,305,000 in 2021-22  
\$16,998,000 in 2022-23  
\$17,721,000 in 2023-24  
\$18,474,000 in 2024-25  
\$19,259,000 in 2025-26

### Explanatory Statement

Washington County Cooperative Library Services (WCCLS) is the primary source of funding for public library operations countywide. Additionally, its central support and services link city and community libraries together into one system, creating broad access to books and other library materials for all county residents.

This measure would renew a five-year levy that will expire in June 2021. The expiring levy provides 40% of WCCLS funding at a fixed rate of 22¢ per \$1,000 of assessed value. The renewed levy would use the same fixed rate as the expiring levy. The renewed levy would run from July 2021 through June 2026.

#### **What would Measure 34-297 do?**

##### **Public library operations:**

- Maintain support for libraries that serve all county residents, including libraries in Aloha, Banks, Beaverton, Cedar Mill, Cornelius, Forest Grove, Garden Home, Hillsboro, North Plains, Sherwood, Tigard, Tualatin and West Slope.
- Help maintain open hours at all libraries.

##### **Reading programs for children:**

- Support children's reading events that average about 285,000 participants each year. This includes annual summer reading programs and literacy programs for preschoolers so more children enter school ready to read.
- Provide reading and learning programs for students, including online homework and tutoring services designed to improve school success for all children in Washington County.

##### **Book purchases:**

- Continue to purchase books, e-books and other materials that are available to all library users.
- Continue to purchase additional copies of in-demand books in order to keep wait times down.
- Continue to support online access that allows users to reserve books that can be picked up at any library.

##### **Resources for job-seekers:**

- Continue to provide information, resources and instruction to assist those looking for jobs or career development.

##### **Central support and services that link libraries together:**

- Maintain central sorting of materials and daily deliveries of books and other materials between libraries.
- Maintain the WCCLS website, shared library catalog and library events calendar.
- Provide mail delivery of books to residents who are homebound or living in care facilities.

##### **How would a renewed levy affect a homeowner's taxes?**

- The renewed five-year levy would continue funding for library services at a fixed rate of 22¢ per \$1,000 of assessed value, which would be unchanged from the current rate.
- In 2021, typical homeowners with an assessed value of \$300,000 (not market value) would pay \$66.

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

Because the expiring levy provides 40% of WCCLS funding, reductions in service levels would likely occur based on local library priorities, including:

- Reductions in hours, book purchases and events; and
- Reductions in central support such as the countywide online catalog, book delivery and other services.

##### **More information?**

Visit the WCCLS website at [www.wccls.org/levy](http://www.wccls.org/levy)

Submitted by:

Alan Rappleyea, County Counsel  
Washington County

No Arguments in Opposition of this measure were filed.

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## Measure No. 34-297 Arguments

### Argument in Favor

#### INVEST IN THE FUTURE YOU WANT: SUPPORT LIBRARIES AND EARLY LITERACY

As educators, we know that children who are read to from an early age are more likely to enter school ready to learn and have a more successful experience in school. **Reading success is critical to success in school ...and to success in life.**

Libraries provide children's reading programs, resources to support parents as their children's first teachers, and librarian guidance for learning.

- Over 284,000 children attend children's programs annually at libraries across Washington County!
- Our public libraries are the **ONLY** tax-supported community service that offers all families and childcare providers in our community open access to books, music, group programs and literacy support.
- Libraries' summer reading programs are designed to keep kids reading over the summer months so that they are ready to learn in the fall.
- This measure will provide funds to support children's programs, buy books, and provide early literacy information to parents and childcare providers.
- This measure will also provide enhanced support for school-aged children, including online homework and tutoring services designed to improve children's school success.
- This measure renews the current levy for five years at the same tax rate.

**Libraries enhance and support early literacy efforts and learning throughout our lives.**

**Invest wisely. Vote Yes on Measure 34-297.**

Ralph Brown, Retired School Administrator	Julie Miller, Early Childhood Educator
Lynn Campbell	Richard Poole
Dr. Lynn K. Collins, Licensed Psychologist	Dawn Prochovnic, Early Literacy Consultant
Martin Granum, Hillsboro School Board Member	Laura Rawlins
Doug Johanson	Narcedalia Rodriguez, Forest Grove School District Board Member
LeeAnn Larsen, Beaverton School Board Member	Marcy Wells
Sean Leverty	Belinda Zeidler, Professor of Public Health
Joene Brian, retired Tigard teacher	

This information furnished by:  
Tom DeLoughery

### Argument in Favor

#### WASHINGTON COUNTY SENIORS ASK FOR YOUR YES VOTE!

As senior citizens in Washington County, we are proud of our communities and the quality of life here. Our libraries are an essential part of that quality. They promote reading, offer access to information for all, and serve as community gathering spots throughout the county.

Our libraries provide:

- **Children's reading programs** that help develop skills needed to excel in school.

- Books and other materials that **are available to all users countywide**, including classics, new releases and e-books.
- Guidance in navigating an increasingly complex world, from Internet searches to the latest computer programs.
- Information resources and programs for seniors which serve to expand our horizons in many areas, including genealogy, health and wellness, travel, food and nutrition, and legal matters.
- Assistance for both workers and job seekers. Library computer users say library technology supports their employment or job searches.

Measure 34-297 will allow our libraries to continue serving residents of all ages for the next five years **at the same tax rate.**

**Libraries are worth it! Please join us in voting to support this invaluable community service.**

**Vote YES for libraries!**

Debra Brodie	Donna Selle
Pat Bryant	Elaine Shreve
Rob Harris	Sharon Vedder
Margaret Hoerber	Lee Weislogel
Esta Mapes	Jon Youngberg
William McClelland, Jr.	Pat Biggs
Yvonne Burgess	

This information furnished by:  
Becky Clark

### Argument in Favor

#### BUSINESS LEADERS URGE A 'YES' FOR COUNTYWIDE LIBRARY SERVICES, MEASURE 34-297

We need strong schools, great libraries and safe neighborhoods.

This is why we support a 'YES' vote on the renewal of the Countywide Library Services Levy, Measure 34-297, on our ballots May 19<sup>th</sup>.

The Westside Economic Alliance represents the private and public sectors in working to enhance economic vitality in our region.

As business leaders, we care about the business environment. A big part of being home to growing companies is assuring we have healthy, safe and vibrant communities to attract and retain employees and their families.

Your 'yes' vote ensures we have an innovative and cost-effective library system that serves all citizens and businesses in Washington County.

- This levy will help prospective employees have the resources they need to find employment, such as access to computers and the internet;
- The levy supports a variety of children's programs that develop reading skills and improve school readiness;
- The levy assures that libraries will have open hours to serve our growing county's library usage;
- The levy will provide books and materials available to all citizens and businesses of Washington County;

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- And the levy provides funding for ALL libraries, both in cities and out of cities.

This levy is a renewal at the same tax rate. Our libraries are a great value!

**Please join us to maintain an excellent library system for our families and businesses.**

**Vote 'YES' for Libraries, Measure 34-297**

Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland

This information furnished by:  
Pam Treece

### Argument in Favor

**VOTE 'YES' FOR LIBRARIES!**

**Measure 34-297 will maintain current high-level library services for Washington County residents for the next five years without an increase in the tax rate.**

For nearly 45 years, residents have enjoyed excellent library service from our countywide system, Washington County Cooperative Library Services. From humble beginnings our libraries, operated by cities and community associations and financed in large part by Washington County, have grown into a major service for the public and centers of community life.

Total circulation of books and other materials last year topped 11.2 million. That's over 31,000 checkouts for every day our libraries are open.

**A main focus of our libraries is developing reading skills children will use throughout their lives.** More than 284,000 children and teenagers participated in reading programs in 2019! Preschool reading programs offered in our libraries help prepare our children to succeed in school.

Our libraries not only excel in traditional functions but they keep up with technology and innovation in delivering services that meet the needs of residents of all ages in new and creative ways.

**This levy, a renewal at the same rate, will maintain open hours, staffing and book purchases to meet the needs of the community.** The mission: provide access to all county residents to the world of books and information.

People for Libraries PAC has been working to support countywide library measures since the 1980's because we know that thriving public libraries mean thriving communities. **Please join us in voting "YES" for Measure 34-297!**

Rob Drake, Chair	Harry Bodine
Michele Caldwell	Tom Brian
Anna Heinrich	Eva Calcagno
Paul Sander	John Gruher
Mike Smith	Linda Lybecker

This information furnished by:  
Jean Butcher

### Argument in Favor

**PLEASE JOIN WASHINGTON COUNTY IN SUPPORT OF PUBLIC LIBRARIES**

We believe strongly in the Washington County Cooperative Library system and in **the power of libraries to strengthen our communities, schools and economy.** In this spirit we have unanimously referred Measure 34-297 to voters and now request your continued support for our public libraries.

**Measure 34-297, a five-year levy, will:**

- Support libraries and branches that **serve all county residents:** Aloha, Banks, Beaverton, Bethany, Cedar Mill, Cornelius, Forest Grove, Garden Home, Hillsboro, North Plains, Sherwood, Tigard, Tualatin, West Slope
- Provide **children's literacy and reading programs** that average over 280,000 child visits per year
- **Expand purchase of books**, e-books and materials that are available to all county libraries

This measure renews an existing levy **at the same tax rate** of 22 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value.

As your elected Board of County Commissioners, we oversee a wide range of public services, from public health to the justice system to county roads. In each area, we know that smart investments on the front end usually lead to positive outcomes, making for reduced costs over time. Our libraries very much work this way. We make **modest but strategic investments in children's programs** and early literacy, which lead to school readiness and eventually mean better chances at a good job and a good life.

**Measure 34-297 and Measure 34-296 (the public safety levy) give voters an opportunity to reinvest in safe and livable communities, and we urge a "YES" vote on both!**

**Washington County Commission**

Commissioner Kathryn Harrington, Chair  
Commissioner Dick Schouten  
Commissioner Pam Treece  
Commissioner Roy Rogers  
Commissioner Jerry Willey

This information furnished by:  
Kathryn Harrington  
Washington County Board of Commissioners

### Argument in Favor

**YES to Hillsboro Libraries, YES to Measure 34-297**

The **Hillsboro City Council and Hillsboro Public Library Board** strongly encourage Washington County voters to support **Measure 34-297.** This measure renews an expiring five-year local option levy to support countywide library services from July 2021 to June 2026. The levy will **help our library system keep up with the county's growing population and the growing use of our libraries.** Hillsboro has seen a steady increase in registered patrons at our Main Library and Shute Park Branch Library.



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### Measure 34-297 will:

- Ensure our libraries continue to provide a variety of children's programs and improve school readiness
- Help maintain library operating hours
- Enable ongoing acquisition of books and materials that are available to all citizens of Washington County

The existing rate will be renewed through this levy.

We are proud that Hillsboro is a member of Washington County Cooperative Library Services – a partnership between the county, nine cities, and two non-profits. It is a unique and successful model for library service and enables all Washington County residents access to **excellent and efficient library services!**

**Our libraries are an essential part of what makes Hillsboro a great place to live and work!** They offer a full calendar of programs, classes, and cultural events, and access to Internet-connected computers and Wi-Fi. Our librarians provide early literacy activities to infants and children, and workshops, information, and support to their caregivers. Multiple drop-in storytimes for pre-readers are scheduled throughout the week.

### Vote "Yes" to keep our libraries strong!

**Mayor** Steve Callaway  
**City Councilors:**  
 Fred C. Nachtigal  
 Kyle Allen  
 Olivia Alcaire  
 Anthony Martin  
 Rick Van Beveren  
 Beach Pace

**Library Board:**  
 Elizabeth Case  
 Chris Armstrong  
 Linda Mokler  
 Katie Rhyne  
 Rommel Rodriguez Ibarra

This information furnished by:  
 Elizabeth Case

### Argument in Favor

#### Measure 34-297 will keep Beaverton City Library great!

Beaverton Main and Murray Scholls Libraries operate through a combination of city and county funds, including the Washington County library levy, which Measure 34-297 will replace. Pooling and sharing resources allows Beaverton and other member libraries to provide greater access and more services than any could individually.

Beaverton's libraries are among the busiest in the state, visited over 800,000 times a year. Measure 34-297 ensures that our libraries continue to serve as the intellectual and cultural centers of our community, including:

- Programs and activities for children and teens that **improve school readiness, support homework** and foster a lifelong love of reading
- **Convenient operating hours**, seven days a week
- **Access to not only the Beaverton libraries but all 16 public libraries in the county and their collections** of books, e-books, movies, music, and more
- Support for jobseekers and other adults through classes, computers and research assistance

We believe that **Measure 34-297 is a great value for Beaverton** and the whole county.

**Please join us in voting YES FOR LIBRARIES!**

**YES for Measure 34-297!**

Denny Doyle, Mayor of Beaverton  
 Cate Arnold, Beaverton City Councilor  
 Lacey Beaty, Beaverton City Councilor  
 Mark Fagin, Beaverton City Councilor  
 Laura Mitchell, Beaverton City Councilor  
 Marc San Soucie, Beaverton City Councilor  
 Roger Tobin, President, New Friends of the Beaverton City Library  
 Melissa Riley, President, Beaverton Civic Theatre

This information furnished by:  
 Roger Tobin, President  
 New Friends of the Beaverton City Library

### Argument in Favor

"Libraries store the energy that fuels the imagination. They open up windows to the world and inspire us to explore, achieve, and contribute to improving our quality of life."  
 -Sidney Sheldon

Measure 34-297 renews our community's existing financial support for programming, equipment, and materials at Washington County's public libraries for the next five years. The Tualatin Library, as a member of Washington County Cooperative Library Services, is able to offer wonderful programs and materials because of this levy, which provides 27% of the Library's current funding.

The Tualatin Library, which averages more than 21,000 visits per month, is a prominent gathering place for our entire community. In addition to its collection of over 100,000 materials available for checkout, the Library offered nearly 700 programs throughout the past year, including morning story times for children, after school and evening events for teens and adults, and a Summer Reading Program for all ages. The Library also serves as an access point for technology, including computers, printers and free wi-fi, as well as a three-dimensional printer housed in the Library's growing Makerspace.

The Tualatin Library makes tremendous use of its existing resources and leverages them through coordinating a significant number of volunteer hours. Without the funds generated by Measure 34-297, however, the Library will not be able to continue to offer this level of service or volume of materials.

Please join us in voting YES on Measure 34-297 to support all libraries in Washington County as places that improve our quality of life and inspire us to imagine, explore, and achieve!

Tualatin City Council:  
 Frank Bubenik, Mayor  
 Valerie Pratt  
 Robert Kellogg  
 Bridget Brooks  
 Nancy Grimes  
 Paul Morrison  
 Maria Reyes

Dana Paulino, Tualatin Library Advisory Committee  
 Wayne Welch, Tualatin Library Foundation  
 Laura Baker, Friends of Tualatin Public Library

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Susan Noack, Tualatin Aging Task Force  
Fernando Navarro, Diversity Task Force  
Sarah Darby & Ethan Bennett, Youth Advisory Council  
Linda Moholt, Tualatin Chamber of Commerce

This information furnished by:  
Valerie Pratt  
Tualatin City Council

### Argument in Favor

#### Support the Tigard Public Library – Vote Yes

Each day about 900 people walk through the doors of the Tigard Library. They come to instill a love of reading in their children. They come to further their own education. They come to improve technological skills and find resources that will help them get good jobs.

Story Times like Book Babies and Fun for Ones teach our kids skills that will prepare them to read at an early age so that they can start school with basic reading abilities. S.T.E.M. programs teach fundamental scientific and technological skills that are increasingly in demand in the job market.

**If this levy passes, the Library will continue to provide these essential programs to prepare children for the future.**

The Library issues 300 new library cards every month. These new library cardholders seek the same services that the Library provides to everyone.

**If this levy passes, it will allow the Library to serve new, as well as existing users with an up-to-date collection of books and other materials.**

The Library encourages students to succeed in school with homework help and other support.

**If this levy passes, it will help fund services to help students of all ages succeed.**

#### Why should you vote for this levy?

- To maintain the services and hours the Library currently provides. The Tigard Library receives 60% of its funding from Washington County Cooperative Library Services. Approximately 40% of that is funded by the existing levy. Measure 34-297 would continue that funding.
- To continue to provide the books, other library materials, programs and services that people rely on.
- This levy impacts all libraries in Washington County. It renews the existing levy at the same rate.

Please join us in voting “**Yes**” for libraries.  
The Friends of the Tigard Library

For more information, go to:  
<https://www.peopleforlibraries.org/about-the-levy/>  
or  
<https://www.wccls.org/proposed-library-levy-renewal-2020>

This information furnished by:  
Kathy Sleeper, President  
Friends of the Tigard Library

### Argument in Favor

#### YES ON MEASURE 34-297 YES TO A FULL-SERVICE ALOHA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

In less than a decade, the Aloha Community Library has become a fundamental asset for the Aloha area. The Library provides reading programs and support for Aloha families and children, enhances literacy, and provides a safe environment for learning.

Today’s library would not be possible without the support of taxpayers in our community. Residents of Aloha will be able to continue accessing the same books, materials, programs, and technology enjoyed by other Washington County communities with your support for Measure 34-297, a 5-year renewal of our existing levy.

#### A YES vote on Measure 34-297 ensures the Aloha Library Remains a valued asset for our community

Passage of this measure means the Aloha Community Library will maintain:

- **Access to the entire Washington County catalog** of books and other materials
- **Local drop-off and pick-up of materials** from the entire County catalog
- **Current hours of operation**
- Current programs and events, including **additional children’s reading programs**
- **Professional staff** that assists library users in accessing books and information
- Access to a **community room** available to reserve and use for nonprofit and community purposes

A YES vote will allow the Aloha Community Library to continue supporting the greater Aloha area and contribute library materials to those already available elsewhere in the County Library System.

#### Please join these community leaders in voting YES for our Aloha Library!

Tom Hughes, Past President, Metro  
Sally Reid, President, Aloha Business Association  
Ken Yarnell, former Aloha High School Principal

This information furnished by:  
Daniel Hauser  
Aloha Community Library Association

### Argument in Favor

#### Libraries Enrich Our Lives! Support Hillsboro’s Libraries – Vote Yes on Measure 34-297!

The Friends of the Hillsboro Public Library and the Library Foundation of Hillsboro ask you to **join us in voting YES on Measure 34-297**.

This levy is a renewal at the same tax rate and will supplement

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County general fund support for the Washington County Cooperative Library Services. It will directly benefit our Main Library and Shute Park Branch Library. The Hillsboro libraries receive about 40% of their operating budget from the levy.

### What does Measure 34-297 do?

- Maintain **open hours** at our libraries
- Support **reading programs for children**, such as summer reading activities and preschooler literacy programs
- Continue purchase of **books, e-books and other materials that are available to all** county libraries
- **Continue outreach services** for homebound residents, Spanish-speaking residents, multi-lingual groups, children in care, and the Jail library.

The cooperative partnership among the county, nine cities and two non-profit organizations has been a critical component in stabilizing and maintaining countywide library services and **continues to meet the literacy, education, information, and entertainment needs** of all Washington County residents.

### Vote "Yes" to ensure the continued excellence of our county's libraries.

<u>Library Foundation of Hillsboro</u>	<u>Friends of Hillsboro Public Library</u>
Deborah Clarke	Barbara Wright
Kathy Hanna	Michael Wright
Edith G. Lippert	Kathy Schertz
Gail Marsh Madsen	Diantha Broomas
Orson Hoeksema	Linda J. Taylor
Gabriel Jones-Gallardo	Debbie Thomas
Cindy Dauer	Brooke Cooper
Davod Edwards	Tom Lane
Jennifer Zickel	Jan Breckon
Richard Paulson	
Robert Brundidge	

This information furnished by:  
Deborah Clarke  
Library Foundation of Hillsboro

## Argument in Favor

### WESTERN WASHINGTON COUNTY LIBRARIES NEED YOUR "YES" VOTES!

We are certain you know that **libraries are a great value for our communities** and offer a great investment return for each dollar spent, but you may not realize that **more than half of our local libraries' operating funds** are supplied by Washington County. A significant share of that county funding depends on successful passage of Measure 34-297.

YES votes for this levy help maintain core services such as children's reading programs and homework assistance, hours open, and acquisition of new materials.

### With passage of this levy....

- In **Banks**, our library will maintain current open hours and services, which include the purchase of library materials for all ages, support for students and programming for children, teens, adults and seniors.
- In **Cornelius**, our library will be able to maintain services including early literacy, homework help, teen programs,

popular crafts, and the cultural and information programs for adults and seniors.

- In **North Plains**, our library will be able to maintain current open hours, continue our robust programming to support early literacy and STEM learning, and continue to offer lifelong learning opportunities for adults and seniors through outreach, classes and programs.

**We urge a YES vote on Measure 34-297 to support reading programs for our kids, adequate open hours, and healthy book budgets for the next 5 years.**

### Banks Public Library Supporters:

Peter Edison, Mayor of Banks  
Stephanie Jones, President, Friends of the Banks Library  
Linda Lybecker  
Mary Lu Savara

### Cornelius Public Library Supporters:

Jeffrey C. Dalin, Mayor  
Jennifer Heuer, Chair, Cornelius Library Board  
Shirley May Hall, President, Cornelius Friends

### North Plains Public Library Supporters:

Teri Lenahan, Mayor of North Plains  
David Hatcher, former Mayor of North Plains  
Robert "Butch" Kindel, North Plains City Council

This information furnished by:  
Rob Drake

## Argument in Favor

### VOTE YES TO KEEP THE FOREST GROVE CITY LIBRARY A GREAT COMMUNITY ASSET

Measure 34-297 will continue support of countywide library services and is also **vital to maintaining services at Forest Grove City Library.**

**This replacement levy will provide about one-quarter of Forest Grove's library budget.**

The levy will enable continuation of:

- Library hours of operation.
- Children's programs that promote school readiness and keep kids reading through the summer.
- Purchase of books and other resources.

This levy is a renewal at the same rate and will not increase taxes.

A YES vote supports all libraries in Washington County, which we all can use, and it also provides vital support to the library in Forest Grove.

Our libraries offer books for all ages as well as movies, music and magazines. A library card allows you to access online resources, use of library computers, access to Wi-Fi, and the ability to download eBooks.

**Please join us in voting for Measure 34-297** to continue our current services in our beautiful Forest Grove library and for all libraries in Washington County.

Katie Allnutt  
Pamela Bailey  
Nancy Bond

Timothy Rippe, Forest Grove  
City Councilor  
Susan Schubothe

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Bridget Cooke  
Juan Carlos Gonzalez, Metro  
Council, District 4  
Royce E. Hostetler  
Susan McClain, State  
Representative  
Michael M. Moore  
David N. Pauli  
Patricia Petersen  
Charles Pritchard, D.O.

Elizabeth K. Smith  
Nathan Teske, Executive  
Director, Bienestar  
Pete B. Truax, Mayor, Forest Grove  
Elena Uhing, Forest Grove  
City Councilor  
Mariana Valenzuela, Forest Grove  
City Councilor  
Adolph "Val" Valfre, Jr.,  
Forest Grove City Councilor  
Ralph Vasey  
Malynda Wenzl, Forest Grove  
City Councilor

This information furnished by:  
Michael R. Smith

### Argument in Favor

**Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries  
are the heart of our community.  
We and our neighbors love our libraries!**

#### Every year, our community

- Visits their libraries more than 700,000 times
- Borrows more than 2.4 million items
- Attends more than 1,700 story times
- Uses our fast Internet connections more than 120,000 times
- Volunteers more than 35,000 hours

#### Why we support renewing the levy --

- Continues a variety of programs that foster a love of reading and prepare children for school
- Maintains operating hours and services at Cedar Mill and Bethany Libraries
- Provides books, video, and audio materials for all ages and interests.
- Helps our libraries keep up with the rapid growth in our community.

**The current levy expires next year. This levy renewal maintains the same tax rate that was approved by voters in 2015.**

**This levy provides about 35% of Cedar Mill & Bethany Libraries total operational funding** and prevents a \$1.7 million shortfall!

Please help avoid a serious reduction in library hours and services.

**Please Join Us: VOTE YES for the Library Levy renewal,  
Measure 34-297  
Your Yes vote sustains library services for our communities.**

Harry Bodine	Roy Kim	Virginia Bruce, Cedar Mill News
Paul Sander	Lesly Sanocki	Judy Erdman
Nancy Spaulding	Greg Malinowski	Marianne Coalson
Bruce Bartlett	Jennifer Imai	Deborah Starr
Hilary Barrett	Rita Rivera	Anil Bhagavatula
John Gruher	Shannon Caster	Jea Seconi
Jeanne Gustavson	Andy Saultz	Terry Waitrovich
James Moreland		

This information furnished by:  
Peter Leonard  
Cedar Mill & Bethany Libraries

### Argument in Favor

**Vote YES for Garden Home and West Slope Libraries!**

As smaller community libraries in Washington County, West Slope Community Library and Garden Home Community Library have a special connection with local children and families.

#### Our libraries provide important children's services and programs:

- Over 500 children's programs are provided annually, reaching 9,383 attendees.
- Over 1,500 children participate in vital summer reading programs each year.
- Librarian and computer access are available for schoolwork assistance.

This renewal of 2015's expiring levy will provide nearly **35% of the Garden Home Library budget and 40% of the West Slope Library budget!** This levy is vital for our libraries' ability to continue meeting the needs of our communities.

**This levy is a 5 year renewal at the same rate.**

#### The Library levy will assure:

- Open hours which allow our libraries to keep up with our communities' needs.
- Continued support of children's reading programs as well as popular adult programming.
- Continued access to all of Washington County libraries' books and materials through the Cooperative's computer system and courier services, and continued support of all county libraries.

**Please join the Garden Home Community Library Association  
and  
Friends of West Slope Community Library  
in voting YES for libraries!**

E. Ann Abernathy	Emily House
Barbara Ashmun	Stan Houseman
Lyndon Beckner	Martie Lewis
Dawn Bloechel	Trudy Ludwig
Heidi S. Cluff	Marge Mey
Eric Danko	Vern Nelson
Marilyn Dent	Linda Omar
Shannon Dilorenzo	Rosanne Parry
Elizabeth A. Etter	Holly Pettit
Lynne Fowler	Debbie Plawner
Jan Fredrickson	Hope C. Preston
Dorothy Gerlach	Mitzi Sandman
Kari Greig	Amy Sands
Bradley Handick	Heather Ann Scanlon
Mark Hasson	Julie Solomon
Paige Hasson	Colleen Stofan
Carol Hellebuyck	Denise Wolfe
Debora Helmsworth	

This information furnished by:  
Anna Heinrich, President, Garden Home Community Library Association, and Julie Corpron, President, Friends of West Slope Community Library

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# City of Beaverton

## Measure No. 34-298

### Ballot Title

#### Adopts New Charter for Beaverton City Government

**Question:** Shall the city of Beaverton adopt a new charter to replace its current city charter?

**Summary:** If adopted, this measure would provide a new charter for the city. The new charter would change the city's form of government. The mayor would no longer be the city's administrative head. Instead, the city council would appoint a full-time city manager to oversee the city's day-to-day operations.

The new charter also makes other changes. The council would expand from five to seven members: six part-time city councilors and one full-time mayor. The council would serve as the city's governing body and be responsible for the city's legislative functions. In addition to serving on the council, the mayor would serve as the city's chief elected official.

All council positions would be nonpartisan and elected at-large by Beaverton voters. The councilors and the mayor would be limited to three consecutive four-year terms in office for their respective positions.

Beaverton's current charter uses gender-exclusive references. The proposed charter contains no gender-exclusive references.

Complete copies of the proposed charter showing all changes are available from the city recorder's office and at [www.BeavertonOregon.gov](http://www.BeavertonOregon.gov).

### Explanatory Statement

This measure would provide a new city charter for Beaverton. A charter is a city's foundational document that outlines the principles, structures and processes of the city's government. Oregon law essentially allows city voters to organize their city government as the majority of voters consider best suited to meet the city's needs. The proposed charter would become operative January 1, 2021.

If adopted, the proposed charter would, among other things:

- Change the city's form of government from a mayor-council form of government to a council-manager form of government. Currently, Beaverton voters elect a mayor who serves as the city's administrative head. The mayor manages, hires, and may dismiss most senior city staff. Under the proposed charter, voters would elect a city council, including the mayor, who would then appoint a full-time city manager for an indefinite term to oversee the city's day-to-day operations and implement council policies. The city manager, not the mayor, would then manage, hire, or dismiss most senior city staff. The city manager would not be an elected position.
- Add a new council seat and make the mayor a voting member of the council. The council would have seven members: six part-time city councilors and one full-time mayor. The council would serve as the city's governing body and be responsible for its legislative functions. The city council would continue to oversee the city attorney, municipal court judges, and auditor. The mayor, besides serving on the council, would serve as the city's chief elected official. The mayor and councilor positions would be nonpartisan and elected at-large.
- Limit each councilor and the mayor to three consecutive four-year terms. The term limits would apply only to elections

occurring after the proposed charter takes effect in 2021. A person who runs in calendar year 2020 for a fourth or fifth consecutive term in office and wins would serve the full term to which elected.

- Specify that the mayor or a councilor could be removed from office for unethical or criminal conduct.
- Remove gender-exclusive references found in the city's current charter.
- Limit city indebtedness to not exceed debt limits imposed by state law.
- Require a public hearing before the council considers adopting any ordinance.

If the proposed charter is not adopted, the city's present mayor-council form of government would remain in place and none of the described charter changes would occur.

If the proposed charter is adopted, the financial impact would be minimal given the proposed changes to city positions would modify or replace existing positions included in the city's current charter.

The referral follows a series of nine public work sessions and two public hearings that began in fall 2019 regarding potential changes to the city's existing charter. Beaverton voters enacted the city's current charter in 1980 and amended a section in 2008 relating to urban renewal.

Submitted by:  
Catherine Jansen, City Elections Officer

# City of Beaverton

## Measure No. 34-298 Arguments

### Argument in Favor

I served as full-time Strong Mayor/CEO of Beaverton from 1993 through 2008. In reviewing the National League of Cities (NLC) website, the Council-Manager form of government is the most common in the United States where 55% of the reporting cities are managed by a professional city manager.

My comments are not pointed to any particular person who served the City of Beaverton. It is a very challenging position as a full-time Mayor/CEO for a City of 100,000 residents. The City has 611 employees and large revised budget of \$389 million.

Our current form of government allows almost anyone to run for the City's top management position with no qualifications other than being at least 18-years old, living in the City for six-months and registered to vote. Any large private business with over 600 employees and large budget would require a qualifying background. We have been fortunate that previous Mayors/CEO's who managed the City have been responsible and mostly effective managers and leaders. There is no guarantee that someone with the necessary background will run for the Mayor/CEO position. My only opponent during one of my re-election campaigns was a senior at Beaverton High. This person would likely have been elected if I had gotten ill or dropped out, leaving the City with no viable government management experience for Mayor with the remaining single candidate.

This Mayor/CEO position is far too important to leave to chance, which is why I believe that the Council-Manager form of government would ensure that the Mayor and City Council could appoint a properly qualified and seasoned City Manager for the position. A city with Beaverton's high quality of life, adequate funding and strong position in the metropolitan region would likely draw very strong candidates to fill the position.

Please vote for Ballot Measure 34-298 to update our form of government and ensure that a qualified candidate is appointed to serve as City Manager!

Rob Drake  
Former Mayor

This information furnished by:  
Rob Drake

### Argument in Favor

Did you know Beaverton is the only city in the State of Oregon with a Mayor who also performs the duties of City Manager?

It's a big job! 40 years ago, when our current charter was adopted, Beaverton was a much smaller city. Beginning last Fall, the city council started work on updating our charter. Working with our City Attorney and a consultant from PSU, we held work sessions at many of our council meetings. The result of our work sessions is that we now have an updated charter that we are asking you to vote on.

The proposed charter uses modern language, recommended by the Oregon League of Cities, the National Civics League, the Beaverton City Attorney's Office, and other city staff.

There are a few important changes in the proposed charter.

**City Manager:** The new charter would establish the position of City Manager. This person would be hired by and report to the Mayor and council.

**Term limits:** The proposed charter has a consecutive 3 term limit on each position, which would mean 12 consecutive years.

**Number of Councilors:** The proposed charter would add an additional member to council. The Mayor would now have a vote on matters before council, as of today our mayor can only vote if there is a tie. To prevent ties, an odd number of votes are needed.

**Gender Neutral Language:** Our current charter refers to the mayor as "he". It refers to councilors as "he/she". The proposed charter fixes this situation with more current language.

The position of Mayor is now too big for one person, we need an experienced and professionally trained City Manager. The is about the position of Mayor, not the current Mayor.

As our city continues to grow, I strongly feel the charter we are referring to you will vastly benefit our City.

Thank you for your time, consideration and engagement in our community.

Sincerely,  
Mark Fagin  
Beaverton City Councilor

This information furnished by:  
Mark Fagin

### Argument in Favor

#### PROTECT SERVICES, MODERNIZE OUR CHARTER

**PROTECT SERVICES: Our Strong Mayor Form of government, where the Mayor operates with relative impunity, is antiquated, creates unbridled influence and makes us highly susceptible to corruption and loss of critical services.** I have served on your City Council since 2005 and since 2007 advocated for updating our City Charter from a Strong Mayor form of government to a professional, vetted, City Manager.

#### TIME TO MODERNIZE OUR CHARTER:

Other critical Charter changes needed to improve your government's efficiency and effectiveness:

#### 1. ADD TERM LIMITS OF 3, FOUR-YEAR TERMS:

Limiting the Mayor and Councilors to 3 terms opens the opportunity for new people and new ideas.

#### 2. ALLOWS THE COUNCIL TO ADJUST SALARIES OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILORS STARTING IN THE NEXT TERM:

Right now our Mayor earns more than any other elected official, almost 2x as the Governor! The old charter has a minimum salary for the mayor. Mayors should be inspired to serve, rather than earn lucrative salaries.

#### 3. REQUIRES ALL NEW LAWS TO HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING:

Giving citizens a voice in their government is the bedrock of democracy.

#### 4. INSTITUTES GENDER NEUTRAL LANGUAGE:

Gender neutral language updates old bias language with non-sexist, inclusive terms.

#### 5. PROTECTS AGAINST CORRUPTION AND WASTE

In 2018/2019 three Pennsylvania Mayors were convicted of pay-to-play schemes including bribery, extortion, wire fraud, and conspiracy. **Under our antiquated City Charter, this could happen to us!**

# City of Beaverton

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### **NOT IN BEAVERTON! NOT ON MY WATCH!**

We can protect against this by changing our charter to a Council / Manager form where the City Manager answers to the Council and the ICMA. Like a State Bar, they investigate seriously flawed or corrupt practices of an ICMA manager. If they find fault, it is published and if criminal, referred to authorities. That manager will never be hired again.

### **IT'S TIME FOR TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY!**

#### **Chartering for a Better Beaverton!**

#### **Vote Yes on 34-298 Beaverton Charter for 2021**

Councilor Cate Arnold

This information furnished by:  
Cate Arnold

### **Argument in Opposition**

#### **BEAVERTON CHAMBER of COMMERCE urges a "NO" vote on Charter Change**

The voters of Beaverton have important choices in front of them on this ballot and with this proposed Charter change they have an impossible choice.

Timing for the newly proposed Beaverton City Charter could not be worse for the voters to consider this significant change to our current form of government. By placing this on the ballot in May, the City Council has forced Beaverton voters to potentially change the form of our city government as well roles, responsibilities and powers of the Mayor and City Council positions with open seats in contested elections simultaneously on the same ballot.

As recommended by citizens for, against and neutral on the Charter changes at the two public comment sessions held by City Council, these changes would be better placed on the ballot when there are no contested races impacted by the outcome of the proposed Charter changes.

While the Council cites "best practices" of the League of Cities to support changing the form of government from an elected "strong Mayor" government to a hired professional city manager who reports to the City Council, they ignored the customary process of engaging a charter review committee to assist in drafting these sweeping changes, better educate the public and gain community consensus.

Whether you support or oppose our current "strong Mayor" form of government, prefer a paid city manager reporting to a "strong Council" (the new form of government proposed by the City Council); whether for or against adding another paid City Councilor, paid staff for Councilors, term limits or any of the positive language changes in this charter, **it is still an impossible choice** to change our City Charter on the same ballot we are electing candidates for positions that materially change before the elected leader even takes office.

It is for that sole reason that the **Beaverton Chamber of Commerce urges a "NO" vote on this measure.**

This information furnished by:  
Lorraine Clarno  
Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce





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**CORNELIUS CITY HALL**  
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**FOREST GROVE**  
Pacific Ave & Birch St, Forest Grove

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2850 NE Brookwood Pkwy, Hillsboro

**KING CITY - CITY HALL**  
15300 SW 116th Ave, King City

**NORTH PLAINS CITY HALL**  
31360 NW Commercial, North Plains

**SERVICE CENTER EAST**  
(Front lobby drop slot)  
3700 SW Murray Blvd, Beaverton

**SHERIFF'S OFFICE &  
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236 SW Dennis Ave, Hillsboro

**SHERWOOD CITY HALL**  
22560 SW Pine St, Sherwood

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13125 SW Hall Blvd, Tigard

**TUALATIN CITY OFFICES**  
18880 SW Martinazzi Ave, Tualatin

# City of Portland

## Measure No. 26-209

Referred to the People by the City Council.

### Ballot Title

#### **Renew Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax for Street Repair, Maintenance, Safety**

**Question:** Shall Portland renew four-year, 10 cents per gallon fuel tax for maintenance (paving, potholes) and safety (crossings, lighting, sidewalks)?

**Summary:** Portland's 10 cents per gallon fuel tax was approved by voters in 2016. If renewed at the same tax rate, this measure is estimated to raise \$74.5 million over four years, beginning January 2021.

The funding would continue to be dedicated to street repair, maintenance and safety projects, including paving, pothole repair, sidewalk and safety improvements. Specific proposed investments include:

#### **Street Repair and Maintenance**

- \$25 million for paving, focused on busy and neighborhood streets

#### **Safety**

- \$6 million for Safe Routes to School projects to improve safety for elementary students
- \$4.5 million to expand Neighborhood Greenways and connect schools, parks, transit, and neighborhood businesses
- \$5 million for traffic signals and crossing beacons
- \$4.5 million for street lighting on High Crash Network
- \$4.5 million for sidewalks and other walkways
- \$1.5 million for small-scale neighborhood safety improvements

#### **Community-Identified Transportation Needs**

- \$13 million for potholes, gravel streets, and pavement base repair
- \$10.5 million for basic safety improvements

Expenditures go through independent financial audits and are reviewed by a public oversight committee that reports annually. Establishes license requirements.

### Explanatory Statement

In 2016, Portland voters approved a 10 cents per gallon fuel tax to fund street repair, maintenance, and safety improvements. Portland City Council also approved a companion heavy vehicle use tax.

Voter approval of this program followed independent research by City Club of Portland into options to fund local street maintenance and safety improvements. The report identified a local gas tax as a needed new funding source for transportation investments.

Over the past four years, the fuel tax has raised \$76 million dedicated to the Fixing Our Streets program, which repaved 38 lane miles of city streets, repaired over 400 sections of failing road, built sidewalks in East Portland, and 170 additional safety improvements across Portland. For a full list and map of completed projects, visit [www.fixingourstreets.com](http://www.fixingourstreets.com).

**If renewed by voters at the same tax rate, the 10-cent fuel tax is estimated to raise \$74.5 million over four years beginning January 2021.**

Renewing the fuel tax will allow the Fixing Our Streets program to continue keeping Portland streets in good condition for current and future users, with project selection guided by

existing plans and public input from neighborhood stakeholders, transportation justice advocates, and business groups.

For a full list of proposed projects, visit [www.fixingourstreets.com/2020](http://www.fixingourstreets.com/2020).

#### **STREET REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE**

If renewed, Fixing Our Streets funds would continue to fund repair and maintenance projects that prevent expensive full replacement of worn-out streets.

Proposed projects include **\$25 million dedicated to paving**, with a focus on busy and neighborhood street repair and maintenance projects that are less expensive to fix now. An additional **\$13 million would fund pothole, gravel street, and pavement base repair services** identified as community priorities.

#### **SAFETY**

If renewed, Fixing Our Streets funds would continue to be invested in safety projects for people driving, biking, and walking in neighborhoods across Portland, including creating safer intersections, reducing vehicle speeds on cut-through routes, retrofitting our existing Neighborhood Greenways, and making additional safety enhancements to existing projects.

Proposed projects and services for targeted investment include **\$5 million for traffic signals and crossing beacons, \$4.5 million for sidewalks, \$4.5 million for street lighting**, as well as better and safer access to schools, transit, and community services for Portland's kids, seniors, and families. **\$6 million would fund Safe Routes to Schools projects, and \$4.5 million would expand Neighborhood Greenways.** An additional \$10.5 million would fund basic safety repairs.

#### **SAME TAX RATE**

Because this is a proposed renewal, the 10 cent per gallon tax rate would remain the same as it is today. The average Portlander would continue to pay approximately \$5 per month.

#### **AUDITS AND INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT**

**The Fixing Our Streets program will continue to go through annual independent financial audits.** These audits will be shared with the oversight committee and the public. Spending from the program will be overseen by the **Fixing Our Streets Oversight Committee** representing the many communities with a stake in Portland's streets and roads.

Submitted by:  
Chloe Eudaly, Commissioner  
City of Portland

No Arguments in Favor or Opposition of this measure were filed.

# City of Tigard

## Measure No. 34-295

### Ballot Title

#### **Increase Tigard Neighborhood Police Patrols Through Local Option Levy.**

**Question:** Shall Tigard increase patrol officers and add school resource officer with five-year operating levy, \$0.29/\$1,000 assessed value, beginning 2020? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

**Summary:** Despite significant increases in population, the minimum patrol staffing has remained the same over the past 25 years. Patrol staffing is 3 to 4 officers per shift citywide. This is insufficient to cover each of the City's 5 patrol districts.

Patrol staffing is not keeping up with demands for service. From 2010-2018, police officer staffing decreased 4% while the population increased 13.6% and calls for service increased 27%.

A 2019 independent performance audit recommended the addition of 8 new officers and an additional school resource officer.

Passage of this measure would enable the Tigard Police Department to:

- Hire 8 additional patrol officers to respond to increased calls for service, multiple emergencies at the same time, and community patrols.
- Add 1 school resource officer to enhance student safety.
- Train all sworn officers in advanced crisis intervention and de-escalation to address increased mental health crises.

The cost of this levy on a typical Tigard home with an assessed value of \$280,000 (\$447,000 market value) would be \$81 per year, or \$6.75 per month.

Estimated revenues for each year of the levy:

2020-21: \$1,980,000  
2021-22: \$2,050,000  
2022-23: \$2,130,000  
2023-24: \$2,200,000  
2024-25: \$2,280,000

### Explanatory Statement

The Tigard City Council is asking voters to consider a five-year operating levy to fund police services.

#### **Why does Tigard need additional police officers and advanced training?**

Over the last 25 years, Tigard's population has grown by nearly 19,000 people. However, minimum staffing levels for patrol are the same today as they were in 1995. The number of patrol officers on shift are not enough to keep up with calls for service. Almost half the time, 3 officers are on duty per shift to patrol and respond to all calls in the City's 5 patrol districts.

Over the last year, calls for person and property crimes have decreased, while societal calls, including responding to people experiencing mental health crises or homelessness, have increased over 22%. Currently, only 16% of sworn officers have advanced crisis intervention training. This levy would provide training for all officers to better respond to societal calls.

#### **Why hasn't funding kept pace with the need?**

Police services are funded with general fund dollars, with property taxes making up 50% of that fund. Police services account for 54% of that fund, library services 21%, parks maintenance 9%, and general city services the remainder. Tigard has one of the lowest property tax rates in Washington County. Since 1990, the effect of state property tax law is to restrict property tax increases to 3% a year, while City costs go up at a higher rate of 3.5 to 4%. Costs will double over the next 20 years, approximately, and property tax revenues will not keep pace with the costs of maintaining police services.

#### **What will the levy fund?**

- Add 8 police officers to respond to increasing emergency calls and patrol neighborhoods.
  - o Maintain higher minimum patrol staffing to provide faster response times to 911 calls, provide more citywide coverage, and allow the police to handle more than one emergency at the same time.
  - o Develop stronger connections to the community by interacting regularly with residents, schools, and businesses to proactively address livability concerns.
- Add one school resource officer (SRO).
  - o Increase the number of SROs for quicker response to safety issues.
  - o Staff 1 SRO at each of the middle schools and the high school.
  - o Increase SRO presence at school events.
- Provide advanced crisis intervention and de-escalation training for all sworn officers.
  - o Develop officers' skills to respond to the increased number of calls involving mental health crises.
  - o Train officers by providing information, tools, and resources to use in interactions with those in crisis.
- Provide additional support staff to manage additional evidence and records, support data-informed policing, communications, and human resources.

#### **What did the citywide performance audit say about police operations?**

In 2019, an independent auditor conducted a performance audit of City operations. That auditor recommended the City hire 8 additional patrol officers and 1 school resource officer to address service demands and comply with policing best practices.

For additional information, including a calculator to see the effect on your property taxes if passed, please visit [www.tigard-or.gov/tigard\\_levy](http://www.tigard-or.gov/tigard_levy).

Submitted by:  
Marty Wine  
City of Tigard

# City of Tigard

## Measure No. 34-295 Arguments

### Argument in Favor

#### A Great Learning Environment is Based on Safety

**As Tigard-Tualatin School Board members, we know the important role that School Resource Officers (SROs) play in ensuring safety in our schools.**

SROs build rapport with students by greeting them as they arrive to school and talking to them during breaks and at lunchtime. The level of trust that is developed helps our students be more likely to share problems they are experiencing or concerns they have about peers.

SROs work with our educators to intervene early and prevent student disagreements from escalating. They also respond to anonymous tips that come through the Safe Oregon tip line to prevent safety concerns from intensifying or becoming actualized.

SROs share their training and experience during emergency drill procedures. Our administrators rely on their support during the drills and their input on making the procedures even more effective.

When SROs have been trained in crisis intervention and de-escalation strategies, they are an invaluable resource for our schools when our students experience a mental health crisis.

Strong partnerships between our schools and community police officers build greater opportunities for a positive climate and culture within our school district.

**School Resource Officers and their training in advanced crisis intervention strategies are vital to keeping our students and staff safe.**

#### Members of Tigard-Tualatin School Board

Karen Emerson  
Sharon Fox  
Maureen Wolf  
Jill Zurschmeide

This information furnished by:  
Karen Emerson  
Tigard-Tualatin School Board

### Argument in Favor

#### A Safe Community is Good for Us ALL We Support Measure 34-295

We love Tigard and we love Summerfield. This is our home. We love it for lots of reasons... It's beautiful. It's easy to get around. People are friendly. We feel safe.

A lot of hard work has gone into making Tigard the way it is. And it takes hard work to keep it the way we want it to be.

Tigard is has a problem with our police coverage. The number of police officers has not kept up with our growth and with changing times.

Each month that goes by Tigard is closer to being a weak link compared to our neighbors with the number of police officers we have on patrol. If we don't invest in strong police coverage, we could become a target for crime.

**WE THINK WHAT WE GET FOR THIS IS WORTH IT:**

#### More patrols, safer neighborhoods

Right now the patrol coverage is mostly on major streets. Neighborhoods like ours are not getting enough. Adding just 8 officers is the difference in getting more patrols into

neighborhoods and makes us safer.

**Sometimes we forget that the things that matter most are those that can't be counted.**

The world around us is moving fast. We need to invest to keep Tigard the way we want it to be!

#### YES on Measure 34-295!

Summerfield residents  
Judith Carideo  
Brenda Frank  
Sue Garino  
Ellen Marlow  
Ken Miller

This information furnished by:  
Ken Miller

### Argument in Favor

#### Join me in voting YES for a strong Tigard PD

As a former Tigard city councilor who in 2018 opposed a prior version of this levy, I have a unique perspective in urging your YES vote this time around.

In 2018, on Measure 34-283, I pointed out the flaws in the basis for setting the levy rate. THAT proposal had too high a rate, used inaccurate assumptions about revenue levels and was not based on performance audits. THAT measure was turned down by voters.

With some lessons learned, Tigard went back to the drawing board. An outside performance audit in 2019 called out the need for adding 8 police officers.

The audit was performed by Matrix Consulting Group, which has worked with over 800 cities, 200 counties and 40 states to make their operations more effective and efficient.

**I SUPPORT THIS LEVY now because it is lean and focused.**

THIS measure deserves your support.

- It addresses what the audit identified: that major improvements could be made within the city of Tigard's law enforcement operations, including deployment issues and geographic policing... Provided there was an increase in officer availability.
- By enabling training for all of the city's police officers, it addresses a major issue draining our police time and threatening our public safety... the big increase in calls related to mental health crisis, homelessness, and drug and alcohol issues.
- It does just what the audit identified and no more. Eight new police officers will enable more and stronger neighborhood patrols and crime deterrence that make a clear, positive impact on our public safety and business climate.

#### Measure 34-295 Deserves Our Support

This information furnished by:  
Former Tigard City Councilor Marc Woodard

# City of Tigard

## Measure No. 34-295 Arguments

### Argument in Favor

#### Tigard Police Officers Urge Your YES Vote on Measure 34-295

Tigard police officers have a mission to protect and serve all who live, play and work in the City of Tigard. **This mission is becoming more difficult, without an increase in staffing.**

Tigard and the region are growing. This means **more calls for service and more complex investigations, requiring additional time to complete the calls and an increase in our officers' workload.** We are seeing an enormous increase in calls involving mental health, as well as those involving substance abuse. Increasing our staffing levels will help with the additional workload and allow officers more time to be proactive. Increase in staffing will also reduce response time to calls for service, which can be imperative for solving certain crimes and the apprehension of criminals.

The Tigard Police Department is handling these more complex issues with fewer officers than were employed even ten years ago. **It is surprising to many that Tigard Police Department has a minimum staffing level of 3 to 4 officers, depending on the shift. This staffing level has remained the same since 1995, even though the population has increased by 56%.**

With this staffing level, Tigard officers can't always respond to multiple critical calls occurring simultaneously. Officers are also working more hours, causing fatigue and burnout. If police services erode and response times continue to increase, we fear criminal activity will continue to rise to a dangerous level.

#### Measure 34-295 enables Tigard Police to:

- Increase the number of sworn officers
- Increase neighborhood patrols
- Increase proactive and community policing
- Protect Tigard's kids, by increasing the number of School Resource Officers
- Provide advance training in Crisis Intervention and de-escalation

**Together, we can create a better, safer and more livable Community.**

**We urge you to support the Tigard Police Department and Tigard's future!**

#### Vote YES on Measure 34-295

This information furnished by:  
Nicholas Nunn, President  
Kevin Dresser, Vice President  
Tigard Police Officer's Association

### Argument in Favor

#### Members of Tigard's Citizen Levy and Bond Advisory Task Force Urge Your YES Vote.

We are members of Tigard's citizen Levy and Bond Advisory Task Force. Since 2017 we have studied the challenges facing Tigard and helped shape possible solutions. We were involved with the 2018 local option levy that would have funded a range of police, library and park maintenance services. That effort was defeated, with 55% voting against the measure.

After a lot more hard work and study, we now recognize the 2018 levy was not focused enough and its price tag was a bit too high. But while our thinking has changed since then, the challenges facing Tigard's police department have not.

Tigard's population has grown by almost 15% since 2010, while the number of officers in our police department has decreased by three. Meanwhile, there are many more police calls each day than a decade ago.

Our police department is under-staffed and becoming over-worked. **We are nearing a crisis in terms of being able to keep a strong, well-trained team of police officers out in the community to prevent and solve crimes.** That puts all of us at risk and threatens to diminish the quality of life that draws us to Tigard in the first place.

**THIS levy is focused and limited to our police department. It responds to a performance audit by adding 8 new officers and enabling cutting edge training for ALL Tigard police officers. THIS levy is sensible and focuses on keeping Tigard safe and secure.**

Join Us in Voting YES for a Safe and Secure Tigard.  
**YES on Measure 34-295!**

Members of the Tigard Levy and Bond Advisory Task Force  
Darlene Dick  
Christopher Staggs  
Carl Switzer  
Jamie Watson  
Kate Rogers  
Darcia Grayber  
Connie Ramackers

This information furnished by:  
Darlene Dick, MBA  
Levy and Bond Advisory Task Force

### Argument in Favor

#### LUKE-DORF AND GOOD NEIGHBOR CENTER SUPPORT MEASURE 34-295 FOR A SAFER, MORE COMPASSIONATE TIGARD

Luke-Dorf is a nonprofit community mental health agency serving over 800 adults diagnosed with mental illness across the area. Our comprehensive support system includes outpatient clinics, group homes, semi-independent housing, homeless outreach, and peer-delivered programs.

Good Neighbor Center provides safe, emergency housing and supportive, empowering services to families experiencing homelessness.

The individuals and families we serve are sometimes in the shadows, and many of us don't have much contact with those facing such challenges. They are a part of our community just the same, and the challenges they face impact us all. And the way we as a society work to support and assist those among us who are struggling says a lot about our values and priorities.

#### We support the Tigard Police Levy because:

- Levy funds will provide training to ALL Tigard police officers in responding to calls involving a mental health crisis and in de-escalating confrontations. With many in our community increasingly experiencing the impacts of homelessness and mental health challenges, **this training is essential to bringing safer and more effective outcomes.**
- More police officers means faster response times and improved ability to handle multiple urgent calls

# City of Tigard

## Measure No. 34-295 Arguments

simultaneously. This helps everyone in our community and definitely our clientele.

**Please vote "Yes" on Measure 34-295**

Renee Brouse, Executive Director, Good Neighbor Center  
John Trinh, CEO, Luke-Dorf

This information furnished by:  
John Trinh  
Luke-Dorf, Inc

### Argument in Favor

#### FIREFIGHTERS SUPPORT ADEQUATELY STAFFED POLICE DEPARTMENTS

As firefighters, we are first responders along with city police officers. We are two tightly connected links in the chain of public safety, which also includes the sheriff's office, ambulance crews and public works.

We know that first-rate public safety is achieved when every link in that chain is as strong as possible. As such, we strongly support efforts like this one in Tigard, Measure 34-295, that add more police officers to our busy and growing, and sometimes hectic communities.

#### **Strong police coverage can be the difference between life and death.**

Tigard police officers carry automatic external defibrillators and are trained in CPR. With quicker response times, Tigard police officers responding to people in cardiac arrest can start CPR immediately and attach the AED. This increases the chances for survivability. Together we can save more lives.

#### **Strong police coverage means safer emergency scenes for firefighters.**

Some emergency calls require the Tigard Police Department to respond with the firefighters. Firefighters sometimes arrive before the Tigard Police. When this happens, we must wait at a safe distance until Tigard Police arrive and determine the scene is safe. This can cause a delay in our medical response. This levy means faster response times for Tigard PD, safer scenes for firefighters and a faster medical response.

We believe this levy is a smart and strategic investment in public safety for Tigard.

#### **PLEASE JOIN FIREFIGHTERS IN SUPPORTING MEASURE 34-295**

This information furnished by:  
Brian Smith  
Tualatin Valley Fire Fighters Union

### Argument in Favor

#### TIGARD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SUPPORTS POLICE LEVY

Tigard is a safe place and that's an important part of the great business climate we have here. Our public safety agencies are excellent and our first responders – police officers, firefighters and ambulance teams – are capable and dedicated.

As with any business, these agencies need to strike the right balance between their staffing levels, and the level of demand for their services. The **Tigard Police Department has been struggling to maintain the right balance due** to tight funding and reduced staffing. With Tigard experiencing rapid population growth and getting many more police calls, we believe the time is now to fix this imbalance.

#### **Measure 34-295 is the right solution because:**

- Adding 8 officers to Tigard's Police Department means our families, homes, businesses and property are safer and more secure.
- A stronger police force means public spaces like shops and restaurants are safer, giving customers peace of mind to enjoy themselves and take full advantage of all our businesses have to offer.
- More police patrolling and investigating helps businesses' bottom line through reduced shoplifting.

**A safe community is a great place to live, work and do businesses.**

**Vote 'YES' for Measure 34-295**

Debi Mollahan  
CEO  
Tigard Chamber of Commerce

This information furnished by:  
Debi Mollahan, CEO  
Tigard Chamber of Commerce

### Argument in Favor

#### **SAFE COMMUNITIES ARE GOOD PLACES TO LIVE. PLEASE SUPPORT MEASURE 34-295.**

The Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland and Portland Metropolitan Association of Realtors® work hard to be partners in building vibrant communities. We believe that **what is good for the safety and well being of communities is good for our business climate and for expanding the availability of housing options for all.**

Cities are comprised of physical infrastructure like houses, schools, roads and parks. But it takes more than these things to make a thriving community. **We also need security and the confidence that our families and property are safe 24-7.**

We take great pride in helping communities like Tigard grow and continue to be excellent places to raise families and do business. With population growth comes new challenges (more people, more police calls) in ensuring public safety. As such, **we recognize that cities need to work hard to provide their police departments with the right resources.**

#### **We Support Measure 34-295 because:**

- It adds 8 police officers to the Tigard police force
- It brings more neighborhood patrols to prevent crime
- It means faster response times on urgent police calls
- It increases the Tigard Police Department's ability to respond to several high-priority calls at once

With housing affordability continuing as one of the greatest challenges facing this area, we are wary of property tax increases. This levy measure brings a new yearly expense of about \$80 for the average homeowner in Tigard. All things considered, we believe this is a reasonable cost and that it will pay off with significant benefits to Tigard's community security and business climate.

**YES on Measure 34-295.**

This information furnished by:  
Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland

# City of Tigard

## Measure No. 34-295 Arguments

### Argument in Favor

**BI-PARTISAN ELECTED LEADERS  
ASK YOU TO VOTE YES  
TO KEEP TIGARD SAFE  
Measure 34-295**

As elected community leaders from both parties, we know well that Tigard is a special place. Its in the people, families, businesses and community organizations, and in the feeling of safety we have in living here.

We all agree our community's safety must be a priority. Police coverage is a significant part of that.

We know from discussions with our partners at Tigard that the city has received an INCREASE in priority calls for police while experiencing a DECREASE in police officers. Tigard has experienced a nearly 30% increase in calls while we have decreased police officers by nearly 5% -- a trend that can put our community at risk in emergency situations.

This levy addresses our community's police staffing challenge and we urge you to vote YES. Public safety is not a partisan issue and we stand united in our support for this measure.

**Join us in voting YES to keep Tigard safe.**

Craig Dirksen, Metro Councilor  
Margaret Doherty, State Representative  
Roy Rogers, Washington County Commissioner  
Ginny Burdick, State Senator

This information furnished by:  
Margaret Doherty

### Argument in Favor

**Please Join Us to Support the Men and Women  
of the Tigard Police Department  
Measure 34-295**

As your elected City Council, it is our responsibility to keep everyone in Tigard safe.

Tigard's population has grown 15% since 2010. Police Officers have responded to 4,800 more calls since 2010, while due to budget limitations, police staffing levels have decreased during that time.

**Why dedicated funding for Increased Police Services?**

High priority calls, which require immediate response, continue to increase. In 2019 there were over 1,000 calls for welfare checks due challenging behavior and over 500 domestic violence calls. This rising trend increases officer workload and diverts limited resources from neighborhood patrols. Officers need additional training in mental health, crisis intervention, and de-escalation to manage these calls. Recent declines in personal and property crimes, however, have residents feeling safe in our community.

A recent independent audit of city services recommended adding 8 police officers in 2020 with the goal of responding to priority calls within 5 minutes. It also recommends adding an additional School Resource Officer by 2023.

**Why not use existing resources?**

Even with recent budget reductions due to Tigard's low permanent property tax rate, costs are going up faster than

funding to provide city services. New growth pays property taxes, but for every \$1 collected from residential property taxes the city spends \$1.18 providing services to households.

Funds for this levy may only be used for police staff to improve response times, more neighborhood patrols, more interaction with students in schools and advanced crisis intervention training for all officers. If approved now, voters will consider renewal of this funding in five years.

We have recently been reminded how important it is to be ready for the unexpected. Let's be sure we ARE ready for it in Tigard.

**Let's Keep Tigard Safe Together!  
Yes on Measure 34-295**

**Tigard City Council**

Mayor Snider  
Council President Goodhouse  
Councilor Anderson  
Councilor Lueb  
Councilor Newton  
Youth Councilor Turley

This information furnished by:  
John Goodhouse, Tigard City Council

# City of Tigard

## Measure No. 34-295 Arguments

### Argument in Opposition

**YOU CAN'T TRUST TIGARD to spend YOUR TAX DOLLARS wisely – This NEW TAX proves it!**

For a **full ten years** Tigard didn't add any positions to the police even as their tax receipts grew massively and Tigard's population boomed. Spending all that new tax money on less-important things proves **Tigard can't be trusted** to prioritize spending on what Citizens want.

**VOTE NO ON 34-295**

Leadership has **neglected their basic duty for a decade**, so we're supposed to approve a **NEW TAX** to bailout their poor money management. They want to hold us hostage to the one thing we care about – our wonderful police force.

**VOTE NO ON 34-295**

The police should be the most distressed by Tigard leadership neglect since all the new taxes for a decade went to pet projects and **not** public protection. Tigard can live within a nicely growing budget AND hire 2 officers per year from the General Fund as they should have been doing for a decade!

- **Why hasn't Tigard hired** new officers for 10 years?
  - **What did they do with the money** instead?
  - Why is Tigard so **undisciplined in its spending**?
- Why are **Developers contributing so heavily** to Tigard Politics?

Tigard wants a **NEW TAX** so they can continue their BIG SPENDING.

**REJECT 34-295**

- There are already **too many FEES, SURCHARGES and TAXES**. Look at the back of your utility bill!
- **Tigard wants to outgrow the economy** that feeds it, something that should **frighten all of us**.
- **Tigard thinks they don't have to live within a budget** like we have to.

**Shame on them** for trying to shift **their spending problems** onto homeowners.

- Do we really want a **NEW TAX** as we **head into a RECESSION??**

**YOU CAN'T TRUST TIGARD to spend YOUR TAX DOLLARS wisely!**

**VOTE NO ON 34-295**

Thank you

This information furnished by:  
Paul Hoffman

### Argument in Opposition

**Vote "No" on Measure 34-295**

Last year the Tigard City Council appointed a Levy Task Force to provide guidance about a possible levy. On October 29, the Task Force sent a letter to the Council stating, "A May 2020 ballot measure is not recommended."

The Council should have taken the advice.

Instead, the Council spent hours trying to pick a levy rate that could be "sold" to voters, instead of examining other options. As a result, the tax rate - \$.29 per thousand of assessed value – is a totally political number, as admitted by Council members. It has no correlation with actual public safety needs.

Councilors have also stated that if the levy fails, they will pay for additional police officers with other funds. Since they acknowledge that the city has enough money, Tigard residents can vote "no" without worrying about public safety.

The City's budget documents show that Tigard does in fact have sufficient funding. According to the Comprehensive Annual

Financial Report (CAFR), at the end of 2019 the city had a net position of \$474.1 million. Much of that fund was reserved for future capital investments, but \$86.5 million was unrestricted and "may be used to meet the city's ongoing obligations..." (p. 29).

The city's government fund reported an ending fund balance of \$80.5 million, an increase of 15% from 2018. According to the CAFR, 32% of that - \$25.5 million – "is available for spending at the city's discretion subject to council approved policies and actions."

Since the levy is only projected to bring in an average of \$2.1 million per year, why are we being asked to pay more taxes? Improved policing can be paid from the unrestricted fund balance.

With thousands of Tigard residents losing income due to the coronavirus emergency, this is the worst possible time to enact one more tax.

Please VOTE "NO" on Measure 34-295.

John A Charles  
Tigard, Oregon

This information furnished by:  
John A Charles



# City of Wilsonville

## Measure No. 3-556

### Ballot Title

#### **Charter Amendment Establishing Term Limits of City Council**

**Question:** Should members of City Council be term limited to serving no more than 12 years in any 20-year period?

**Summary:** The measure would amend the City Charter to impose term limits on all members of City Council. The measure would restrict a person from serving on City Council to no more than 12 years in any 20-year period. The 12-year term limit would apply to the total time served on City Council, regardless of whether a person served as an elected or appointed member, or as a Mayor, Councilor, or both, during the 20-year period. The measure would prohibit a person from being elected or appointed to City Council if completing that term of office would cause a violation of the foregoing term limits. The measure would apply term limits retroactively, including to all current members of City Council. The measure would not prohibit current members of City Council from fulfilling their current term of office. If voters approve the measure, the current Mayor and one current Councilor would be term limited upon conclusion of their current terms. The measure would calculate a year of service to mean 365.25 days.

to decide whether any mayor or city councilor running for re-election would continue in office.

Submitted by:  
Kimberly Veliz, City Recorder

### Explanatory Statement

This Measure, if passed by voters, would amend the City of Wilsonville Charter to add a "City Council Term Limits" section. The current Charter does not impose term limits.

If the Measure is passed, it would prohibit any person from serving as a mayor, city councilor, or combination of both, for more than 12 years in any 20-year period. This 12-year period applies to the total amount of time a person serves on the Wilsonville City Council, regardless of the position held. Under the Measure, during any 20-year period, a city councilor could run for mayor if doing so would not exceed the total 12-year limit, including time already served as a city councilor. Similarly, a mayor could run for city council if doing so would not exceed the total 12-year time limit, including time already served as a mayor.

The Measure would also apply to a person appointed to complete a term in office. For example, a person appointed to serve any portion of a four-year term caused by a vacancy would be eligible to serve two (2) additional four-year terms in any City Council office (mayor or city councilor) because running for a third term would exceed the 12-year limit. In such instance, the effect of the Measure would result in a term limit of less than 12 years. This would be the case for one current City Councilor.

This Measure is retroactive as to counting time of service of all current City Councilors. If the Measure passes, the current Mayor could finish his current term but would not be eligible to run or be re-elected in November 2020. The longest tenured City Council member, whose term expires in 2022, could serve until 2022 but would not be eligible for re-election in 2022. If re-elected in November 2020, the current City Council President would thereafter be eligible for one more term, in any capacity. The remaining two City Councilors would each be eligible to run for two more terms, in any capacity, from the date their current terms expire (2020 and 2022).

If the Measure fails, there would be no mandatory term limits in Wilsonville and re-election would remain up to the voters at the expiration of each four-year term. There would be no term restriction on who could run for office. Voters would continue

No Arguments in Favor of this measure were filed.

# City of Wilsonville

## Measure No. 3-556 Arguments

### Argument in Opposition

#### **TERM LIMITS WILL HURT WILSONVILLE We Recommend NO on Measure 3-556**

We support Wilsonville constituents who **OPPOSE Term Limits** for your City Council. You have a vibrant, livable city because your mayors and councilors have built strong relationships, over time, with other leaders throughout the region. Let's keep it that way!

Support **OPEN ELECTIONS** by **Voting NO on Term Limits!**

Respectfully,  
Jim Bernard, Clackamas County Commission Chair  
Ken Humbertson, Clackamas County Commissioner

**Jim and Ken support Open Elections in Wilsonville.  
Please join us, your Wilsonville neighbors, in voting:**

#### **NO on Measure 3-556!**

##### **Villebois**

Courtney Neron  
Julie Fitzgerald  
Mary Closson  
Shawn Goodpaster  
Katie Hamm

##### **Charbonneau**

Tony Holt  
Eric Hoem  
Wayne Richards  
Kathy Harp  
Bob Harland

##### **Fox Chase/Hazelwood/ Morey's Landing**

Al Levitt  
Chelsea King  
Pat Rehberg  
Susan Schenk  
Danton Wagner

##### **Park at Merryfield**

Susie Stevens  
Klaus Gibson  
Michelle Ripple  
Angela Roccograndi  
Lynn Ries  
Patrick Harrison

##### **Meadows/Landover**

Aaron Woods  
Paul Diller  
Caroline Berry  
Jerry Greenfield  
Andrew Mackenzie

##### **Other Neighborhoods**

Alan Steiger  
Anita Gregory  
Simon Springall  
Bill Gregory  
Mary Elizabeth Harper

##### **And many, many more . . .**

Richard Martens, Cornelia Gibson, Susan Harrison, Bill Wallace, Reg & Ann Keddie, Klaus Gibson, Patrick Donaldson, Robert Wiesenthal, Shirley Hoem, Susanna Holt, Tom Ripple, Bob Renfro, Caye Bogue, Judith Brennan, Tom & Vicki Kells, Pat Hickman, Kim Martin, Robin Richardson, Diann Harland, Gene Harp, Shawn Goodpaster, Gareth Prior, Matt McGuire, Shirley Wood, Jack & Kate Glauner, Sara Jantze, Bob Applegate, Joe & Sharon Rysavy, Kate Greenfield, and many more . . .

Submitted by:  
Jim Bernard, Clackamas County Commission Chair

This information furnished by:  
Katie Hamm  
Protect Wilsonville Elections PAC

### Argument in Opposition

#### **Vote NO on Wilsonville Term Limits! Protect Voter Choice and Open Elections**

This is **NOT the time** to experiment with local government stability!

We are Wilsonville citizens who urge voters to **reject term limits** for City Council and Mayor Candidates for these reasons:

- Measure 3-556 would **limit YOUR choice** of whom **YOU** can choose to serve on the Wilsonville City Council.
- We already have term limits – **they are called ELECTIONS.** If you don't like an incumbent, vote them out!
- The most experienced and **effective leaders would be excluded** from future service by term limits if Measure 3-556 passes.
- Future mayors would not have time to build the relationships at the **regional, state and federal levels** that have been so effective for Wilsonville.
- The best councils have a mix of new faces and experienced veterans – like Wilsonville has!
- These are challenging times for all of us – not the time to eliminate the most experienced and accomplished public servants who will help us get through the current crisis and keep local government providing the services we all rely on.
- Surveys of residents report that Wilsonville is a great place to live, work and play because of the hard work of the very public servants this ill-conceived initiative would **bar from future office.**
- This measure is a **rule change** promoted by people who have been unable to win majorities in previous elections – losers shouldn't be allowed to **re-write the rules** in order to impose their narrow agenda on the majority.
- The backers of this term limit proposal are mostly promoters of **real estate speculation** and **development** who are trying to make an end run around our land use protections.

Protect Open Elections in Wilsonville!

Join us in voting **NO on Wilsonville Term Limits.**

Visit our website at:

[www.protectWilsonville.org](http://www.protectWilsonville.org)

to learn more and hear from your neighbors who also oppose Wilsonville Term Limits.

**Protect Wilsonville Elections Committee:**  
Albert Levit, Katie Hamm, Anthony Holt

This information furnished by:  
Katie Hamm  
Protect Wilsonville Elections PAC



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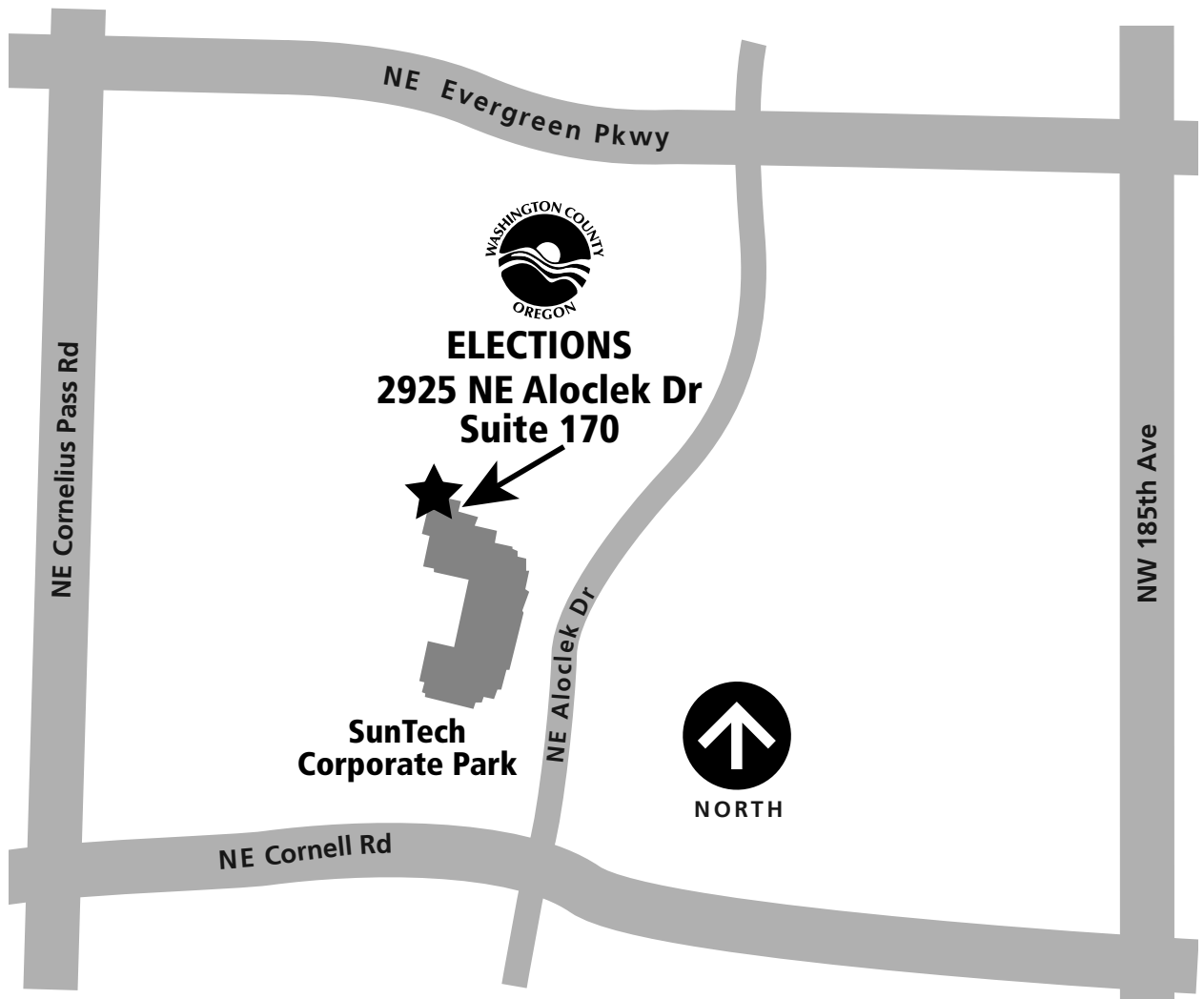
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## Measure No. 26-210

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

### Ballot Title

#### **Supports Homeless Services Through Higher Earners' Tax, Business Profits Tax.**

**Question:** Should Metro support homeless services, tax income over \$200,000/\$125,000 (joint/single), profits on businesses with income over \$5 million?

**Summary:** Measure funds supportive housing services to prevent and reduce homelessness in Washington, Clackamas, and Multnomah counties within district boundaries. Prioritizes services to address needs of people experiencing, or at risk of, long-term or frequent episodes of homelessness. Services funded by a marginal income tax of 1% on households with income over \$200,000 (over \$125,000 for single filers) and a business profits tax of 1%. Income tax applies to resident income, and to non-resident income earned from sources within district. Exempts businesses with gross receipts of \$5 million per year or less.

Declares funding for homelessness services a matter of metropolitan concern, directs regional funding to local services agencies, requires community engagement to develop localized implementation plans. Allocates funds to counties by estimated revenue collected within each county. Establishes community oversight committee to evaluate and approve local plans, monitor program outcomes and uses of funds. Requires creation of tri-county homeless services coordination plan.

Requires performance reviews and independent financial audits. Metro administrative and oversight costs limited to 5%. Requires voter approval to continue tax after 2030.

### Explanatory Statement

The greater Portland region is facing a severe housing affordability and homelessness crisis. Rents and housing prices have risen faster than wages, making it especially hard for people living on fixed retirement or disability incomes to afford housing. While it is difficult to accurately estimate the number of people experiencing homelessness, or at risk of becoming homeless, according to a February 2020 report by EcoNorthwest, an estimated 38,263 people (24,260 households) experienced homelessness in 2017 in Washington, Clackamas and Multnomah counties; thousands more were at risk.

Homelessness disproportionately impacts people with disabilities, people of color, and seniors. For people who experience homelessness, disabling conditions such as mental illness, chronic medical conditions, and addiction are made worse, and become barriers to housing placement.

Providing supportive housing services is a widely demonstrated approach to effectively end homelessness for individuals who have experienced prolonged and repeated homelessness, and protecting families from becoming homeless with prevention assistance. Supportive housing services include case management, mental healthcare, addiction and recovery treatment, employment services, rent assistance, and other care as needed. Despite state and local efforts to increase investment in supportive housing services, the need in greater Portland exceeds local capacity.

This measure will authorize Metro to establish a regional supportive housing funding program, providing the resources to address unmet needs of people experiencing or at risk of experiencing long-term or frequent episodes of homelessness in the greater Portland region. The measure will result in a substantial increase in the delivery of supportive housing services.

Supportive housing services will be funded by a marginal personal income tax of 1% on households with taxable income over \$200,000 (or taxable income over \$125,000 for individual tax filers) and a business profits tax of 1% with an exemption for small businesses that have gross receipts of \$5 million or less per year. The personal income tax will be assessed on residents of the Metro district, and on non-residents who have income earned from sources within the district. Only income above \$200,000 (\$125,000 individual) is taxed.

In each county a local implementation plan will be developed to describe how supportive housing services will be prioritized and delivered to address local needs. Local plans must be developed using comprehensive community engagement that prioritizes those most directly affected by the homelessness crisis.

A regional oversight committee with broad geographic representation will review and evaluate each local plan, monitor local implementation, and review spending. The oversight committee will report every year to Metro Council on program outcomes and areas for improvement, and annual performance and financial audits of funding for supportive housing services will be conducted. Metro administrative costs are limited to 5% and must be reviewed annually. The measure requires voter approval to continue after 2030.

On Behalf of:  
Metro Council President Lynn Peterson  
Councilor Shirley Craddick  
Councilor Christine Lewis  
Councilor Craig Dirksen  
Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzales  
Councilor Sam Chase  
Councilor Bob Stacey

Submitted by:  
Carrie MacLaren, Metro Attorney

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## Measure No. 26-210 Arguments

### Argument in Favor

#### HOMELESS SERVICE PROVIDERS URGE EVERYONE TO VOTE YES ON MEASURE 26-210

Imagine having to tell someone there is no warm bed for them to sleep in that night. That it will be at least two years before their family can move into a safe home. That there is no laundry detergent, even though the shelter has a washer. There is no toilet paper to be used, even though the shelter has a bathroom. That the hot meals provided that day are all gone. That your case is number 100 or higher on a case manager's desk.

We, as service providers, have these conversations with our clients every single day. In the tri-county area, we serve thousands of people experiencing homelessness each month, and we do not have the resources to help the thousands more in need.

**As human beings, we cannot accept this state of affairs. As a community, we must do better.**

We KNOW what solves people's homelessness. Housing first, and then the flexible supportive services necessary to meet the needs of each individual experiencing homelessness. Some people may need mental and physical healthcare; some may need addiction treatment services. Some people may need job training; others may need help claiming benefits for a steady income.

We MUST have the resources needed to scale up our efforts to provide the supportive services necessary to ensure those without homes are sheltered.

**We urge you to vote.** It will provide the much-needed supportive services for people of color, seniors, youth, women escaping domestic violence, LGBTQIA+ community members, and veterans, among others, experiencing or at risk of experiencing chronic and episodic homelessness across the Metro region.

**"People on the street age 20 years faster than their housed counterparts. We can, and must, do better to support the health and well-being of everyone in our community."** - Dr. Rachel Solotaroff, President and CEO, Central City Concern

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### Argument in Favor

#### HOMELESS SERVICE PROVIDERS URGE EVERYONE TO VOTE YES ON MEASURE 26-210, continued

Adelante Mujeres  
Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon  
ASSIST Disability Program  
Bradley Angle  
CareOregon  
CASA of Oregon  
Cascade AIDS Project  
Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare  
Catholic Charities of Oregon  
Central City Concern  
Centro Cultural

Clackamas Service Center  
Clackamas Women's Services  
Coalition of Communities of Color  
ColumbiaCare Services  
Community Action, Washington County  
Community Alliance of Tenants  
Community Partners for Affordable Housing  
DoGood Multnomah  
Easterseals Oregon  
Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon  
El Programa Hispano Católico  
Hacienda Community Development Corp.  
Healthshare of Oregon  
Homeless Solutions Coalition of Clackamas County  
HomePlate Youth Services  
Housing Oregon  
Human Solutions  
Immigrant Refugee & Community Organization  
Impact NW  
Innovative Housing  
Interfaith Alliance on Poverty  
JOIN  
Latino Network  
Living Cully  
Love INC of Clackamas County  
LoveOne  
Luke-Dorf  
Metropolitan Alliance for the Common Good  
Nathan Teske, Executive Director, Bienestar  
National Alliance on Mental Illness, Clackamas  
Native American Youth and Family Center  
New Avenues for Youth  
Northwest Family Services  
Northwest Housing Alternatives  
Northwest Pilot Project  
Operation Nightwatch  
Oregon Energy Fund  
Oregon Food Bank  
Outside In  
Outside the Frame  
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Portland Homeless Family Solutions  
Prism Health  
Project Homeless Connect  
Proud Ground  
REACH Community Development  
ROSE Community Development  
Sequoia Mental Health  
St. Mary's Home for Boys  
Stone Soup PDX  
Street Roots  
The Father's Heart  
The Rosewood Initiative  
Transition Projects  
Unite Oregon  
Welcome Home Coalition  
Winter Shelter of Forest Grove and Cornelius  
YWCA of Greater Portland

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## Measure No. 26-210 Arguments

### Argument in Favor

#### VOTING YES ON MEASURE 26-210 FOR SUPPORTIVE HOMELESS SERVICES WILL HELP PEOPLE LIKE ME

**I became homeless because my partner shot me.**

The services we need funded right now are vital. I know because they saved my life

I was born and raised in Portland. Growing up here, I never imagined that I would see so many people living in tents in our neighborhoods, or that I myself would face homelessness due to domestic violence.

**No one teaches you to prepare for homelessness.** And I promise no one chooses it over better alternatives.

I can say with experience that facing housing insecurity is as equally as traumatic as getting shot in the chest by someone you love and trust. When I was shot, my support network was lacking due to the trauma of domestic violence. So not only was I recovering from a gunshot wound, but I was also dealing with the shame that I could not house myself in the city where the African American side of my family had managed to be homeowners for 4 generations. Together, this created my recipe for disaster.

The organizations providing the services needed for those dealing with housing insecurity are broke, but it is not a broken system. We need the funding to support the services we know work in combating our homeless disaster. People not experiencing housing insecurity call it a crisis. Those that have lived experience know it's a disaster. **It is time for us as a community to help our vulnerable neighbors rebuild their lives.**

It took 4 years to rebuild my life, thanks to the supportive services available. I am now a certified Peer Specialist and have volunteered nearly 500 hours as a mentor in the shelter I once lived in. Please VOTE YES on Measure 26-210 to continue funding the lifesaving work of the organizations that helped prevent ME from living on the streets of Portland.

Jennifer Langston, Portland

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### Argument in Favor

#### Homelessness is solvable. We know what to do. We just need your help.

There's no greater prescription for the health of the individual and our community than having safe and secure housing.

As healthcare providers, we understand that everything we do to try to secure or repair health challenges is dependent on having a stable home. Nowhere has this become more clear than in the coronavirus challenge. **There are many in our community who are left with literally no place to shelter safely.** People with disabilities and existing medical conditions are disproportionately represented among them; people without severe medical conditions who experience homelessness soon develop them.

Measure 26-210 will ensure increased access and critical services needed for people currently experiencing homelessness, and will help prevent people with existing medical concerns - such as veterans, seniors, and people with disabilities - from experiencing homelessness due to their age and condition.

**"Too many people are forced to choose between rent, groceries, or medicine. And the truth is, these needs are all inter-related.**

**Once someone is safely housed, they are more likely able to put food in their bodies several times a day, get restful sleep, and take medications correctly. Shelter, food, and water are foundational basic needs."** – Imelda Dacones, MD, President and CEO Northwest Permanente, on behalf of Kaiser Permanente Northwest

**"We believe the recovery process begins with a safe, affordable, and healthy place to live. With this foundation, individuals can focus on their health, connect with families and friends, and move forward in shaping a productive and meaningful life."** - Dr. Derald Walker, President & CEO, Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare

We urge you to vote yes by May 19.

**Care Oregon  
Cascade AIDS Project  
Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare  
Central City Concern  
Healthshare of Oregon  
Kaiser Permanente  
Legacy Health  
Luke-Dorf  
Outside In  
Prism Health  
Providence Health & Services - Oregon**

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### Argument in Favor

#### Building a Stronger Community

The affordable housing crisis in the Portland metro region is pushing low-income families to the financial brink. Sometimes the only option is unsafe or over-crowded housing conditions that put everyone at risk of eviction; **they even end up homeless.**

Every night in our community, thousands of people are sleeping on the streets; thousands more are in shelters or their cars. While we do our best to provide affordable housing opportunities for people to stay safely housed and to transition back into housing, **every day more and more people experience homelessness for the first time.**

Our community did the right thing by passing affordable housing construction bonds. We need to do the right thing again. Measure 26-210 will allow us to maximize the success of low-income housing dollars and help more families get the supportive services they need to transition from the trauma and instability of being unhoused to the stable life of having a place to call home.

**We are committed to engaging underrepresented communities and building strong community partnerships that promote equitable public policies.** Measure 26-210 does

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both of these things to provide essential supportive services for people to successfully stay in their homes.

Please join us in voting YES by May 19 on Measure 26-210.

**Catholic Charities of Oregon**  
**Central City Concern**  
**Community Development Partners**  
**Community Partners for Affordable Housing**  
**Hacienda Community Development Corporation**  
**Housing Oregon**  
**Human Solutions**  
**Innovative Housing**  
**Nathan Teske, Executive Director, Bienestar**  
**Northwest Housing Alternatives**  
**Proud Ground**  
**REACH Community Development**  
**ROSE Community Development**  
**Transition Projects**

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### Argument in Favor

**Oregon Business Leaders say**  
**YES to Regional Homeless Services**  
**VOTE YES on Measure 26-210**

**Homelessness is the number one concern of businesses throughout the region**, as we understand that the Portland metro region is currently experiencing both an affordability and a homelessness crisis.

Everyone in the community suffers when people experience homelessness. We are proud to be part of the community, as individuals and as business leaders, supporting this measure that will provide the solutions for ending people's homelessness.

The 1% tax on local profits from large businesses is a reasonable and fair approach—and the need is undeniable. That is why, as business owners in our region, we urge voters to join us in saying yes to Measure 26-210

<b>Avenue Agency</b>	<b>Providence Health &amp; Services-Oregon</b>
<b>Blackbird Benefits Collective</b>	<b>Reichard and Associates</b>
<b>Bozz Media</b>	<b>Ride Report</b>
<b>Business for a Better Portland</b>	<b>Rosenbaum Financial</b>
<b>CareOregon</b>	<b>Russell Fellows Properties</b>
<b>Cascadia Partners</b>	<b>Salazar Architect</b>
<b>Community Development Partners</b>	<b>Smith + Connors</b>
<b>Downtown Development Group</b>	<b>Titan Freight Systems</b>
<b>Ear Trumpet Labs</b>	<b>TMT Development</b>
<b>Eickhof Creative Shop</b>	<b>Worksystems</b>
<b>Foundation</b>	
<b>Fubonn Shopping Center</b>	
<b>Fuze7 Marketing</b>	
<b>Gard Communications</b>	<b>Individuals</b>
<b>Health Share of Oregon</b>	<b>Brett Schulz, Architect PC</b>
<b>Holst Architecture</b>	<b>Chris Bonner, Principal Realtor Broker</b>
<b>Kaiser Permanente</b>	<b>Dick Clark, CEO of The Portland Clinic</b>
<b>Lara Media Services</b>	<b>Gun Denhart, Founder Hanna Andersson</b>
<b>Legacy Health</b>	<b>Hilary Bourassa, Realtor</b>
<b>Love Portland Group, Realtors</b>	<b>Maxwell Pratt, Realtor</b>
<b>Marigold Coffee</b>	<b>Ross Lienhart</b>
<b>Neighbors Realty</b>	
<b>Neil Kelly Co</b>	
<b>Pixelspoke</b>	

**Portland Business Alliance**  
**Portland Timbers and Thorns**

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### Argument in Favor

**OREGON EDUCATORS AND TEACHERS ARE VOTING YES**  
**ON MEASURE 26-210**

**Oregon has the highest number of children experiencing homelessness nationwide.**

The untold secret of Oregon's homeless children is that they're the least likely to be seen on the streets. Their families are living in shelters, in vehicles, or doubled-up with others; locations where parents do not control the roof over the heads of their children; in insecure and unsafe environments.

**Across the metro region, over 7,000 students experience homelessness every school year.** Portland Public Schools and the Beaverton School District have the greatest number of homeless students: more than 1,500 in each district; one in ten students in the Reynolds district has experienced homelessness.

**Many of our students come to school worried about where their family will sleep that night.** Children are especially vulnerable to lifelong impacts of housing instability.

It is crucial that families and children experiencing homelessness receive the services and supports they need to stay housed and transition out of homelessness as soon as possible.

We must support our community's most vulnerable members - our future leaders - so that **the strain of simply surviving is no longer at the forefront of their mind.** Instead, children are allowed to be children, to be students, and to focus on simply growing up to be their best selves.

**Vote YES for supportive homeless services**  
**on Measure 26-210.**

**Portland Association of Teachers**  
**Beaverton Education Association**  
**Hillsboro Classified United, American Federation of Teachers Local 4671**

**Andrea Valderrama, Chair, David Douglas School Board**  
**Carla C. Piluso, Member, Gresham-Barlow School Board**  
**Mitzi Bauer, Member, North Clackamas School Board**  
**Kathy Wai, North Clackamas School Board**  
**Martha Spiers, Member, Oregon City School Board**  
**Elizabeth Durant, Member, Parkrose School Board**  
**Ricki Ruiz, Reynolds School Board**  
**Michelle DePass, Director, Portland Public Schools Board**  
**Ruth Adkins, former member, Portland Public Schools Board**  
**Pam Knowles, former member, Portland Public Schools board**  
**David Wynde, former member, Portland Public Schools board**

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### Argument in Favor

**JOIN US IN VOTING YES ON MEASURE 26-210**

Adelante Mujeres  
Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon (APANO)  
Centro Cultural  
Coalition of Communities of Color  
El Programa Hispano Católico  
Hacienda Community Development Corporation  
Immigrant Refugee & Community Organization  
Latino Network  
Living Cully  
Native American Youth and Family Center  
Nathan Teske, Executive Director of Bienestar  
Unite Oregon

**“This measure will pair proven solutions and community based expertise with the affordable housing necessary to change the lived reality of our neighbors experiencing homelessness, ensuring enough care and resources are there to support communities of color and other historically marginalized communities in this time of need.”**

- Marcus C. Mundy, Executive Director, Coalition of Communities of Color

People of color have historically been targeted by systemic injustices and discriminatory policies, leading African and African American, Asian and Asian American, Hispanic and Latinx, Indigenous and Native American, Middle Eastern, Pacific Islander, refugee, and immigrant people to be disproportionately represented in the metro region’s homeless population.

For people of color, the recent coronavirus only reinforced our understanding that we are both disproportionately represented among the very poorest and homeless and among the frontline service providers that our entire society depends upon.

Communities of color have also historically come together to create **strong, resilient communities** in the face of such systemic injustices. **We will do so again now**, as a health crisis and an affordability crisis is causing an excessive number of our community’s members to experience homelessness.

Measure 26-210 will increase access to case managers and social workers, mental and physical health professionals, addiction treatment, job training, and other services necessary for ensuring our siblings, children, and families of color living on the street, in their car, or doubled-up with people already struggling financially are successfully living stable and productive lives again.

**Please join us and vote YES for Measure 26-210 by May 19.**

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### Argument in Favor

**METRO REGION FAITH LEADERS SAY VOTE YES ON MEASURE 26-210 TO HELP OUR MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITY MEMBERS**

As leaders in our faith communities, we follow our religious teachings of kindness, compassion, and loving our neighbors

as ourselves. Some of our neighbors need specific supports, like food, clothing, and shelter, which we provide through food pantries, homeless shelters, and clothing drives. Unfortunately, the number of our neighbors in need of help too often exceeds our capacity for doing so.

**Over 5,000 people are sleeping on our streets every night.** Up to 30,000 people are sleeping on the streets, in cars, or doubled-up in places not meant for sleeping. And 56,000 households are one missed paycheck away from slipping into homelessness too, many of them for the very first time.

Now more than ever, the coronavirus highlights the need and opportunity for us to live our values. It is not for us to understand why everything happens, but it is important to understand that **how we respond says everything about who we are and the strength of our faith and community.**

There is something we all can do to make sure that so many people are not again placed in such a precarious and vulnerable position in the first place. We hope you will join us in not only supporting this measure but making sure none of our friends and neighbors turn their backs on the homeless community, especially now.

**Join us in our support of Measure 26-210, and show your faith in humanity by voting YES.**

**Ainsworth United Church of Christ  
Augustana Lutheran Church  
Catholic Charities of Oregon  
Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon  
First Unitarian Church Committee  
on Hunger and Homelessness  
Havurah Shalom  
Interfaith Alliance on Poverty  
Metropolitan Alliance for Common Good  
Portsmouth Union Church**

**Rev. Dr. Chuck Currie  
Rev. Adam Ericksen  
Rev. Dr. W. J. Mark Knutson  
Rabbi Debra Kolodny  
Rev. Heather Riggs  
Rev. M. Lynne Smouse**

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### Argument in Favor

**We must ensure that hard-working people can meet their basic necessities, both while housed and should they be experiencing homelessness.  
Vote YES on Measure 26-210**

If you are gainfully employed, you should never have to choose between paying rent, buying food, and accessing medical care, and yet for far too long, the hardworking families of the Portland metro area have been forced to do just that.

Our unions represent more than 60,000 members across the metro area who work in both the public and private sector. Our members provide the essential services that make our communities work. We are teachers, nurses, janitors, bus drivers, social workers, retail clerks, public servants, and other people in service industries.

**As more and more families pay more than half of their income to rent**, bills pile up, stomachs are hungry, vehicle problems can’t be fixed, school supplies go unpurchased - families slip into homelessness. **We must have more supportive services** to keep this situation from occurring, and if it does, to ensure that families stay together and have the resources they need to get back on their feet as soon as possible.



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This measure will provide:

- **More case managers** for individual service to help people navigate the systems of services efficiently and for maximum assistance
- **Increased mental, physical, and addiction health services** for individuals and families in need of such care
- **Programs such as job training, rent assistance, and other prevention and transitional services** that help people stay stably housed and improve their economic situation

We support Measure 26-210 and ask that you vote YES by May 19.

**AFSCME Local 3580**  
**Beaverton Education Association**  
**Hillsboro Classified United, American Federation of Teachers Local 4671**  
**Portland Association of Teachers**  
**United Food and Commercial Workers Local 555**

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### Argument in Favor

#### Our Region's Health Care Providers Support Measure 26-210

As leading nonprofit health care providers in the Portland metro region, we know that **housing is health**.

Without a safe, stable place to call home, it's nearly impossible for our patients to focus on basic health and medical needs, and for our doctors and nurses to keep them healthy.

Patients who are homeless have a higher rate of hospital admissions and emergency room visits, while also suffering from poorer health outcomes and higher mortality rates. **This disparity is even more devastating during the COVID-19 public health crisis we are confronting.**

While some of us are business competitors, we are all in the business of keeping people healthy. That's why we support Measure 26-210 - **we are all in this together, to serve people experiencing homelessness in our community.**

In Oregon and across America, we and other health care organizations are investing in housing development, supportive services, safety-net clinics, community health workers, and much more.

Here in the metro region, we are working collaboratively with government and nonprofit partners to address a key driver of health - housing instability and homelessness - to improve the health and well-being of the communities we serve.

**As major health care systems, we won't back down from our commitment to helping house and care for vulnerable people in our community.** But with thousands of families and individuals experiencing or at risk of homelessness across the region, we know our efforts cannot meet the entire need. We urge a Yes vote on Measure 26-210 so that together, our region can make a historic investment in the health and well-being of the entire community.

CareOregon  
 Health Share of Oregon  
 Kaiser Permanente  
 Legacy Health  
 Providence Health & Services - Oregon

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### Argument in Favor

#### WASHINGTON COUNTY IS VOTING YES ON MEASURE 26-210 FOR SUPPORTIVE HOMELESS SERVICES

**Everyone in our community is affected by the homelessness crisis.** Especially here in Washington County, the impact of homelessness is present around us every single day.

Hardworking families should be able to afford to put a roof over their head, buy food to eat, and pay their bills. But for too many people—our friends, family, and neighbors who call Washington County home—that dream isn't a reality.

**Please join us in voting YES on Measure 26-210 by May 19.** Together, we can support our most vulnerable Washington County community members with the supportive services they need to transition into safe and stable homes, or stay in their safe and stable homes, and keep our community healthy here, together.

#### State/Federal Leaders

Governor Kate Brown  
 U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley  
 Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici  
 State Treasurer Tobias Read

#### Local Leaders

Kathryn Harrington, Washington County Commission Chair  
 Dick Schouten, Washington County Commissioner  
 Beaverton Mayor Denny Doyle  
 Forest Grove Mayor Peter Truax

#### Other Endorsing Organizations

Adelante Mujeres  
 Beaverton Education Association  
 CareOregon  
 Centro Cultural  
 Community Action  
 Community Partners for Affordable Housing  
 Eickhof Creative Shop  
 Health Share of Oregon  
 HomePlate Youth Services  
 Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization  
 Kaiser Permanente  
 Latino Network  
 Legacy Health  
 Luke-Dorf  
 Oregon Trails Coalition  
 Oregon Energy Fund  
 Oregon Food Bank  
 Project Homeless Connect  
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 Welcome Home Coalition  
 Worksystems

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YWCA of Greater Portland  
Winter Shelter of Forest Grove & Cornelius

**For the complete endorsement list visit  
[weareheretogether.org](http://weareheretogether.org)**

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### Argument in Favor

**Schell, Gould and Walta  
Statement of Support for Metro's  
Supportive Housing Services Ballot Measure**

**It is essential to vote YES on Measure 26-210 to address  
the Portland metro area's homelessness crisis with  
concrete solutions.**

As professionals with medical and administrative law experience, we have spent three years independently studying the homelessness situation in the Portland metro area and statewide. We recently published a report with our 22 recommendations as a result of our study, for what can be done to address the homelessness crisis, all of which can be found at [homelessnessoregon.com](http://homelessnessoregon.com).

One of the key recommendations in our report is for voters to approve Measure 26-210. This measure would raise about \$250 million a year for ten years, to be divided among the three counties, to increase supportive services that are essential for addressing the Portland metro area's homelessness problem.

We support Measure 26-210. All of our independent research suggests that voting YES on Measure 26-210 by May 19 is the most effective way we can all come together to fund the solutions necessary for solving people's homelessness in our community as soon as possible.

Dr. Douglas Walta, MD  
John W. Gould, JD  
Steven R. Schell, JD

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Steven R. Schell

### Argument in Favor

**JOIN US IN VOTING YES ON MEASURE 26-210**

We are HereTogether.

HereTogether is a coalition of more than 150 organizations, including nonprofit service providers, people of color, people with lived experience of homelessness, elected officials, faith communities, business leaders, and other members of our community. We have been working for more than a year to structure an effective measure that will enable real, impactful solutions for our region's homelessness crisis.

Measure 26-210 will provide the services necessary to support our neighbors, siblings, children, and families experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness.

Please join us and vote YES for Measure 26-210 by May 19.

#### State/Federal Elected Leaders

Governor Kate Brown  
U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley  
U.S. Congressman Earl Blumenauer  
U.S. Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici  
State Treasurer Tobias Read

#### City Leaders

Portland Mayor Ted Wheeler  
Portland City Commissioner Chloe Eudaly  
Beaverton Mayor Denny Doyle  
Forest Grove Mayor Peter Truax  
Gresham City Councilor Eddy Morales  
Happy Valley Council President Brett Sherman  
Lake Oswego City Councilor Theresa Kohlhoff  
Wood Village Mayor T. Scott Harden

#### Clackamas County Commissioners

Chair Jim Bernard  
Commissioner Sonya Fischer  
Commissioner Ken Humberston  
River Water Commissioner Naomi Angier

#### Metro Councilors

President Lynn Peterson  
Councilor Bob Stacey  
Councilor Christine Lewis  
Councilor Craig Dirksen  
Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez  
Councilor Sam Chase  
Councilor Shirley Craddick

#### Milwaukie City Councilors

Mayor Mark Gamba  
Council President Angel Falconer  
Councilor Kathy Hyzy  
Councilor Lisa Batey  
Councilor Wilda Parks

#### Multnomah County Commissioners

Chair Deborah Kafoury  
Commissioner Jessica Vega Pederson  
Commissioner Lori Stegmann  
Commissioner Sharon Meieran  
Commissioner Susheela Jayapal

#### State Legislators

House Speaker Tina Kotek  
Representative Alissa Keny-Guyer  
Representative Rob Nosse  
Representative Carla Piluso  
Senator Shemia Fagan  
Senator Elizabeth Steiner Hayward  
Senator Michael Dembrow  
Dave McTeague, Former State Representative  
Chip Shields, Former State Senator

#### Washington County Commissioners

Kathryn Harrington, Washington County Commission Chair  
Commissioner Dick Schouten

#### West Linn City Councilors

Council President Teri Cummings  
Councilor Richard Sakelik

#### Education

Portland Association of Teachers  
Beaverton Education Association  
Hillsboro Classified United, American Federation of Teachers  
Local 4671  
Andrea Valderrama, Chair, David Douglas School Board  
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 Kathy Wai, Member, North Clackamas School Board  
 Martha Spiers, Member, Oregon City School Board  
 Elizabeth Durant, Member, Parkrose School Board  
 Michelle DePass, Director Board of Education, Portland Public Schools  
 Ruth Adkins, Former Member, Portland Public School Board  
 Pamela Knowles, Former Member, Portland Public Schools Board  
 David Wynde, Former Member, Portland Public Schools Board  
 Ricki Ruiz, Member, Reynolds School Board  
 Jamie McLeod-Skinner, Member, Jefferson County Education Service District

### Faith Leaders

Interfaith Alliance on Poverty  
 Catholic Charities of Oregon  
 Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon  
 First Unitarian Church Committee on Hunger and Homelessness  
 Ainsworth United Church of Christ  
 Augustana Lutheran Church  
 Havurah Shalom  
 Metropolitan Alliance for Common Good  
 Portsmouth Union Church  
 Rabbi Debra Kolodny  
 Rev. Adam Ericksen  
 Rev. Dr. Chuck Currie  
 Rev. Dr. W. J. Mark Knutson  
 Rev. Heather Riggs  
 Rev. M. Lynne Smouse López

### Other Endorsing Organizations

Adelante Mujeres  
 AFSCME Local 3580  
 Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon  
 Assist Program  
 Avenue Agency  
 Blackbird Benefits Collective  
 Bradley Angle  
 Brett Schulz, Architect PC  
 Business For A Better Portland  
 CareOregon  
 CASA of Oregon  
 Cascadia Partners LLC  
 Cascade AIDS Project  
 Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare  
 Central City Concern  
 Centro Cultural  
 Chris Bonner, Principal Broker, Hasson  
 Clackamas Service Center  
 Clackamas Women's Services  
 Coalition of Communities of Color  
 ColumbiaCare Services  
 Community Action, Washington County  
 Community Alliance of Tenants  
 Community Development Partners  
 Community Partners for Affordable Housing  
 Creative Arts Recovery  
 Dick Clark, CEO of The Portland Clinic  
 DoGood Multnomah  
 Downtown Development Group  
 Dr. Ben Ware  
 Dr. Douglas Walta  
 Ear Trumpet Labs  
 Easterseals Oregon  
 Eickhof Creative Shop  
 El Programa Hispano Católico  
 Evan King, LCSW, Realtor  
 Foundation  
 Fubonn Shopping Center

Fuze7 Marketing  
 Gun Denhart, Founder, Hanna Andersson  
 Hacienda Community Development Corporation  
 Healthshare of Oregon  
 Holst Architecture  
 HomePlate Youth Services  
 Homeless Solutions Coalition of Clackamas  
 Housing Oregon  
 Human Solutions  
 Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization  
 Impact NW  
 Innovative Housing  
 JOIN  
 Kaiser Permanente  
 Kate McNulty LCSW  
 Lady Dutchman Leathers  
 Lara Media Services  
 Latino Network  
 Legacy Health  
 Living Cully  
 Liz Fuller, PBA Board Member  
 Love INC of Clackamas County  
 Love Portland Group  
 LoveOne  
 Luke-Dorf  
 Marigold Coffee  
 Maxwell Pratt, Realtor  
 Mitchell Hornecker, Former PBA Board Chair  
 Nathan Teske, Executive Director, Bienestar  
 National Alliance on Mental Illness, Clackamas  
 Native American Youth and Family Center  
 Neighbors Realty  
 Neil Kelly Company  
 New Avenues for Youth  
 Northwest Family Services  
 Northwest Housing Alternatives  
 Northwest Pilot Project  
 Operation Nightwatch Portland  
 Oregon Energy Fund  
 Oregon Food Bank  
 Oregon Trails Coalition  
 Oregon Working Families Party  
 Outside In  
 Outside the Frame  
 p:ear  
 PixelSpoke  
 Portland Business Alliance  
 Portland Gray Panthers  
 Portland Homeless Family Solutions  
 Portland Timbers & Thorns  
 Portland: Neighbors Welcome  
 Prism Health  
 Project Homeless Connect  
 Proud Ground  
 Providence Health & Services - Oregon  
 REACH Community Development  
 Reichard & Associates  
 Ride Report  
 ROSE Community Development  
 Rosenbaum Financial  
 Ross Lienhart  
 Russell Fellows Properties  
 Salazar Architect  
 Sequoia Mental Health  
 Smith + Connors  
 St. Mary's Home for Boys  
 Bozz Media  
 Steve Rudman  
 Stone Soup PDX  
 Street Roots

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The Father's Heart  
The Rosewood Initiative  
TITAN Freight Systems  
Transition Projects  
Unite Oregon  
United Food and Commercial Workers Local 555  
Welcome Home Coalition  
Winter Shelter of Forest Grove and Cornelius  
Worksystems, the Portland Metro Workforce Development Board  
YWCA of Greater Portland

**For the complete list visit [weareheretogether.org](http://weareheretogether.org)**

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### Argument in Favor

#### Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon Urges YES Vote

We need to address Oregon's worst-in-the-nation rate of children and youth homelessness.

Far too often in our region, if a student experiencing homelessness asks her school's homelessness liaison for help, she will not receive a housing voucher, and she will not receive a bed at a shelter. Because of a lack of federal, state and local investment in housing supports, school staff will hand the student and her family one of these - a tent.

Nationally, at the state level and regionally, we have failed our children and youth. Last school year, in the

- Beaverton School District, over 1,900 students experienced homelessness;
- In Portland Public Schools, that number was over 1,200 students;
- In Reynolds School District, nearly 900 students experienced homelessness.
- In fact, every school district in our region has similarly tragic numbers of houseless students.

A survey conducted by the U.S. Conference of Mayors stated that "the most frequently cited reasons for family homelessness are a lack of affordable housing, poverty, and domestic violence."

The National Center on Family Homelessness reports that: "Children without stable homes are more than twice as likely as others to repeat a school grade, be expelled or suspended, or drop out of high school. A quarter or more of homeless children have witnessed violence."

Nationally:

- Latinx youth have a 33% higher risk of reporting homelessness.
- African American youth have an 83% higher risk of reporting homelessness.
- LBGTQIA+ youth have a 120% higher risk of reporting homelessness.

These inequities and terrible figures reflect the reality of far too many of our neighbors in this region.

In embrace of our responsibility for one another, EMO urges a YES vote on Metro Measure 26-210.

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EMO is an association comprising of 15 denominations and over 150 congregations, organizations, and interfaith partners, connecting hundreds of thousands of diverse members of the faith community all across the state.

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### Argument in Opposition

**6 ways Oregon is attracting homeless from across America and overwhelming our local shelters.**

**Nearly 1 of 3 Portland homeless come from other states** (OPB 3-13-18).

In 2019 most states saw a decline in homelessness, but Oregon's numbers soared. Why? Because homeless populations left other states to come to Oregon to take advantage of our unique benefits.

1. The word is out. "People are coming here because we make it comfortable to be homeless" as quoted by a Portland homeless advocate in the national *City Journal Magazine*. (Winter 2016)

2. Multnomah County wasted tax dollars putting homeless people in expensive hotels (\$3,318 a month) before it had to cancel the program because it became too popular. (OPB 3-13-18)

3. Oregon allowed food stamp use for 5 years—that's 3 years longer than other states. The Atlantic called Oregon a "Welfare Utopia". (5/31/16)

4. Multnomah County's risky "no-refuse" shelter guarantee attracted too many out-of-area takers, which overwhelmed the system and led to it being cancelled. (OPB 3-13-18)

5. Portland's "sleep anywhere" policy allowed widespread trespass-camping on private property. This led to the Springwater Corridor campsite, at 500 campers, was the nation's LARGEST homeless camp. (Heritage Foundation 10/18/19)

6. When Portland failed to enforce basic laws, homeless people discovered they can do things they couldn't do in other cities. Not enforcing minor laws led to breaking more laws. Portland homeless accounted for the MAJORITY of police arrests in 2017. (*Oregonian* 6/27/18).

**No amount of taxes will fix the problem as long as our backward policies continue to attract homeless from other states.**

Stop measure 26-210. It'll only fund homeless from other states. Please fix the bigger problems first.

Taxpayer Association of Oregon Urges No on 26-210

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### Argument in Opposition

**No New Taxes until they stop wasting existing tax dollars.**

**Tax \$\$\$ wasted on rewarding pot smoking, drug use**

• Portland awarded \$125,000 of our tax dollars to two pot shops. These business assistance funds come at a time when Oregon has a staggering six-year surplus supply of marijuana,

which is making the drug even cheaper. This doesn't help our homeless drug abuse crisis. (*Portland Business Journal* 1/22/19)

• A Tigard meth house was given a \$30,000 taxpayer-funded housing assistance grant even as it was racking up neighborhood complaints and multiple police drug raids. (KGW-TV 6/14/18)

**Tax \$\$\$ wasted on homeless boondoggles**

• Portland wasted nearly \$250,000.00 in tax dollars building a modular homeless shelter it NEVER used. (*Oregonian* 9/13/18)

• Multnomah County wasted \$700,000.00 turning a former strip club into a Gresham shelter that lasted barely a year before it was evacuated as an emergency health hazard. (*Gresham Outlook* 2/28/18)

• Portland wasted millions on the Cannady affordable housing project only to have it sit mostly VACANT a year later due to ongoing problems and possible violations. (*Willamette Week* 2/6/19)

**Tax \$\$\$ wasted on blocking good solutions to help homeless**

• Politicians wasted \$58 million building the never-used Wapato Jail and now have actively blocked private citizens from turning it into a homeless shelter. This is a stunning example of how politicians can throw away \$58 million in tax dollars as if it was nothing and then stand in the way of people trying to help. (KGW 10/10/19)

Pouring a quarter-billion dollars in higher taxes into more boondoggles and government waste will not help the homeless, but instead make it worse. Taxpayer Association of Oregon Urges No on 26-210

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### Argument in Opposition

Don't raise taxes in an economic crisis!

Front page of the *Oregonian* March 20, 2020:

**"Jobless claims surge 3,200% this week"**

**"Unemployment rate could rise as high as 20%"**

**"Nearly 50,000 people would be looking for work"**

On March 20, the *Portland Tribune* editorial warned:

"This is not the time for more taxes...  
Raising taxes by that amount [\$230 million]  
in the face of a global recession is poor public policy."

Thousands of family-owned restaurants and small local shops are on the brink of closing. They need income to hire people. They need paying customers to keep afloat. The massive 26-201 tax robs small business owners of both their income and their customers.

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### The politicians have plenty of money.

The State of Oregon already has an \$84 billion biennial budget that could be tapped into to help the homeless. The state spends more tax cash per capita than 46 other states. The money is there.

The METRO government already has \$680 million in just-approved (2019) property taxes going for affordable housing to help the homeless. Now they want more?

### It comes too late.

The *Portland Tribune* said the tax “would not even be collected until 2021. So, in fact, this measure would do nothing to address the immediate 2020 crisis.” (3/20/20)

### The damage caused will be lifelong.

The #1 poverty cure is a job—why tax jobs?

The small businesses owners destroyed by 26-210 will become homeless, bankrupt, or on welfare.

The family restaurants destroyed by 26-210 will be replaced by low-wage corporate chain restaurants.

### Vote No on Measure 26-210

**Don't throw more local businesses into bankruptcy with a massive tax increase**  
**To prevent the expected 20% jobless rate, businesses need money—not taxes.**

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## Argument in Opposition

The Oregon Small Business Association  
Vote No on 26-210

### COVID-19 caused the worst economic shock since the Great Depression.

**It will take months or years to recover family wage jobs lost during what Gov. Kate Brown appropriately declared a State of Emergency.**

COVID-19 is causing unapparelled shutdowns and slowdowns as many local small businesses are forced to make painful layoff choices in order to preserve cash and try to survive. Many families consequently are in financial crisis as they go without regular paychecks. This measure is the wrong tax at the worst possible time.

For those small businesses still hanging on and trying to make payroll or hoping to hire back valued former employees, this additional demand on scarce cash flow could be a death knell.

We also must consider the accumulation of new expenses imposed by state and local governments on small businesses,

such as the new state gross receipts tax that forces payments even when a business has had huge losses - as many have because of COVID-19.

### The best solution against homelessness is a job.

**Small businesses want to hire - but can't if you drown them in new taxes.**

Instead of reducing homelessness, Metro's proposed tax likely increase homelessness by slowing down a post-COVID recovery.

Please vote NO on Measure 26-210

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## Argument in Opposition

### LOCAL CHAMBERS URGE **NO VOTE ON METRO'S \$250 MILLION TAX INCREASE**

Tualatin Chamber of Commerce  
Gresham Area Chamber of Commerce  
Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce  
North Clackamas Chamber of Commerce  
Oregon City Chamber of Commerce

Metro-area Chambers have a long track record of supporting local tax measures to fund critical public services. However, we urge voters to **oppose Metro's new \$250 million tax increase** out of concern for the health of our economy during a global pandemic and inevitable recession.

### VOTE NO ON METRO'S MEASURE 26-210

- The COVID-19 “coronavirus” crisis has devastated thousands of local businesses and working families. Millions of dollars in new taxes at this time will make the situation worse.
- Measure 26-210 is a **blank check** to the Metro government.
- Metro leaders have failed to articulate a plan to ensure that the \$250 million raised by this tax is managed in an accountable manner.
- Metro's Measure 26-210 was developed in a backroom without adequate public input from key community leaders.

### METRO RESIDENTS ARE TAXED ENOUGH ALREADY

Portland-area businesses and residents are already trying to keep up with billions of dollars of new taxes recently passed by the state and local governments. Measure 26-210 adds uncertainty at a time when our communities are looking for economic stability. Stacking additional taxes on the same dollar, especially during this time of crisis, will make it difficult for businesses to survive and leave Oregon families paying higher prices. We must work to stabilize the local economy in the wake of COVID-19, not add millions of new taxes.

### SMALL BUSINESSES FACE DOUBLE TAXATION UNDER MEASURE 26-210

Measure 26-210 unduly hurts small and medium-sized businesses. Most small businesses register as S-Corps or LLCs and will be very impacted by the 1% personal tax

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increase on income over \$125,000. These same taxpayers could also face the 1% business tax increase. Double taxation is the wrong approach.

### REJECT MEASURE 26-210: OUR COMMUNITIES CANNOT AFFORD IT

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### Argument in Opposition

#### Vote No on Measure 26-210

Today is different than yesterday. Our area employers are barely keeping their doors open.

**It's time to rebuild.**

**Not pass new taxes.**

**We simply can't afford it.**

The tax increases contained in Measure 26-210 will nearly double the rate of the brand new Commercial Activities Tax (CAT) just taking effect this year. There is no doubt that this measure will increase the costs of basic needs including groceries, housing and utility bills.

#### At a time when we can least afford it.

Long-term funding for homelessness is critical and needs to be addressed. This hastily drafted Measure is not the answer and will put what jobs are left at risk while raising the cost of basic necessities for current residents making it even less affordable to live in the Metro area.

Do not give Metro a \$250 Million blank check for the next 10 years. It's simply too costly and risky with no guarantees for a return.

#### Can Metro families really afford more?

We cannot consider these new personal and business taxes in a vacuum. Any new tax must be considered based on the cumulative effect of taxing the same dollar. In 2020 alone Metro residents will be asked to consider a slew of new, stacking taxes:

- \$250 million Metro business income and personal income tax increase
- \$16 million City of Portland gas tax renewal
- 3.9% personal income tax increase to fund universal preschool
- Multnomah County business income tax increase
- \$3 billion Metro transportation tax package
- \$1.4 billion Portland Public Schools bond
- \$405 million Multnomah County library bond

#### At a time when we can least afford it.

We simply can't consider adding new business and income taxes during this unprecedented time of crisis. Our employers must focus on rebuilding, keeping their doors open, shelves stocked, and paychecks signed.

**Vote No on Measure 26-210**  
**It's time to rebuild. Not pass new taxes.**

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### Argument in Opposition

#### Oregon Farm Bureau Federation and Oregon Association of Nurseries OPPOSE Measure 26-210

The Metro area is home to thousands of acres of family farms and nurseries. They've grown or local produce, Christmas trees and garden plants for many generations. These farms need certainty that they can keep operating during the COVID-19 crisis and afterward, when they are rebuilding from the economic damage of the crisis, not new taxes.

#### Metro's family farms can't afford another tax

Long-term funding for homelessness is should be prioritized. However, this hastily-drafted measure will reduce cash flow for local farm families at a time when they are struggling to keep their doors open. Many nurseries compete against growers from other states with lower cost burdens. This tax harms the ability to ship environmentally beneficial products across the country.

#### Farmers need a break, not more taxes

Farm net income is down 50% over the last four years, even before coronavirus. This tax will nearly double the rate of the brand-new corporate activities tax (CAT), which taxes low margin businesses, like farms and nurseries, even if they don't make a profit.

Measure 26-210 makes the current situation much worse. In addition to taxing businesses based on their business income, it also taxes personal income, which for most family farms means **double taxation**. Most farms and nurseries are LLCs and S-Corps; they pay personal income taxes on their business earnings, even after they pay business income taxes.

#### Metro can't afford this tax either

Countless businesses will be struggling to stay afloat as we recover from coronavirus. A new tax on family business will make that even harder. This measure risks putting family farms and nurseries out of business. We don't know the long-term consequences of the coronavirus crisis, but we do know this is the WRONG time for a new \$250 million tax.

#### VOTE NO on Measure 26-210

#### It's a LOSE-LOSE situation for family farms and nurseries

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### Argument in Opposition

#### VOTE NO ON 26-210: ENOUGH IS ENOUGH

Metro is at it again. Last November, Metro raised taxes \$475 million for parks and nature. Now, Metro wants \$2.5 billion for housing services. This November, Metro has plans for \$3.8 billion in taxes to expand light rail. That's **nearly \$6.8 billion in new taxes**—in one year alone.

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Families are losing jobs. Businesses are closing. **Our region is in a recession.**

We can't afford Metro's reckless spending. **We can't afford Metro's new taxes.**

### VOTE NO ON TWO NEW INCOME TAXES

**Measure 26-210 punishes struggling families and businesses** with two new income taxes. Many small and medium sized business owners will be taxed twice by Metro's measure. First on their business income, then on their personal income.

Measure 26-210 imposes thousands of dollars in new taxes on struggling families. Families who can't make their mortgage, can't afford their car payment, can't afford their student loans. In these tough times, **Measure 26-210 may create more homeless** than it helps.

Metro doesn't care. **Metro had a chance to pull this measure** once it learned how COVID-19 would destroy families and businesses. Instead, Metro chose to go full speed ahead with its punishing taxes.

### VOTE NO ON METRO'S MISSION CREEP

Metro's mission is land use and transportation planning. How's that working out for you? You're stuck traffic and our housing market's a mess.

Measure 26-210 expands Metro's mission to include rental subsidies and homeless services. Metro wants you to pay for their mission creep. **Given Metro's history of misplaced priorities, do you trust them to get it right this time?**

### VOTE NO ON CHAOS AND CONFUSION

Measure 26-210 was thrown together in under a month. And it shows. **Metro has no idea** who will actually have to pay the new taxes or how the taxes will be collected and enforced. **Metro has no plan** to reduce the number of actual homeless.

### VOTE NO ON 26-210

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