



OREGON
MARION COUNTY
VOTER PAMPHLET

November 8, 2011
Special Election

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CITY OF DETROIT

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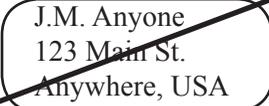
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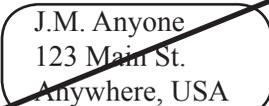
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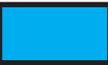
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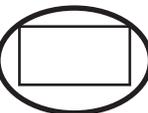
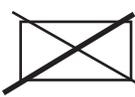
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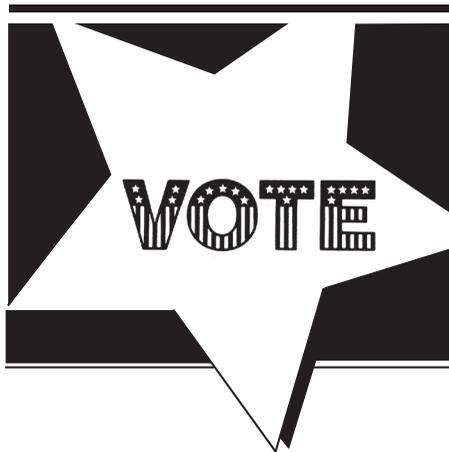
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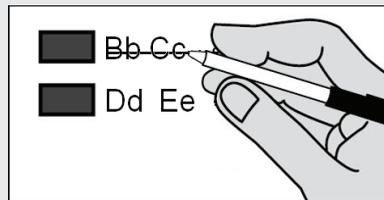
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CITY OF DETROIT

Measures 24-321 thru 24-323 are Referred to the People by Initiative Petition

24-321 Clarifies residency requirement to hold elective office in the City

Question: To hold elective office, does a qualified elector have to be a full time resident of the City?

Summary: The City Charter has a residency qualification for eligibility to hold elective office that requires a person to have "resided in the city during the twelve months immediately preceding the election." This eligibility requirement does not define what "resided in" means. Because the City has a mixture of full and part time residents, this measure would clarify if a qualified elector has to be to a full time resident of the City in order to hold elective office, or in the alternative, if a part time resident would be eligible to hold elective office.

Explanatory Statement: Existing Charter Provision

Section 12. Qualifications of Officers. No person shall be eligible for an elective office of the city unless, at the time of his election, he is a qualified elector within the meaning of the state constitution, and has resided in the city during the twelve months immediately preceding the election. The Council shall be the judge of the qualifications and election of the elected city officers.

Section 27. Nominations. A qualified elector who shall have resided in the city during the 12 months immediately preceding the election may be nominated for an elective position. Nomination petitions shall be in the form and filed in the manner and within the time prescribed by state law; such petitions shall be signed by not fewer than 20 electors. The City Recorder shall make a record of the exact time in which each petition is filed and notify an eligible person of their nomination.

Proposed Charter Provision

Section 12. Qualifications of Officers. No person shall be eligible for an elective office of the city unless, at the time of his election, he is a qualified elector within the meaning of the state constitution, and has been a full time resident of the city during the twelve months immediately preceding the election. Full time residency requires that the elector's domicile and primary residence is located inside the city

24-321 Explanatory Statement (continued):

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Submitted by:
James P. Bradley
Mayor, City of Detroit

24-322 Requires Mayor to be an elected City Council member

Question: Shall the Detroit City Charter be amended to require that only elected Councilors are eligible for appointment as Mayor?

Summary: The City Charter provides that the Mayor is selected annually by the Council. The City Charter makes no further eligibility requirement for a councilor to hold the office of Mayor. Some councilors may be elected by a vote of the electorate, others might occupy the office by appointment rather than election. This measure would amend the Charter to add a requirement that the Mayor be an elected member of the council. A member of the council who was appointed to that position, and not elected, would not be eligible to be appointed to hold the office of Mayor.

Explanatory Statement:

Existing Charter Provision

Section 9. Mayor. At the first meeting of each year, the Council shall choose, from its membership, a chairperson who shall be Mayor. The mayors' term of office shall be one year.

Proposed Charter Provision

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24-322 Explanatory Statement (continued):

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24-323 Requires Mayor to have eighteen months prior city councilor experience

Question: Should eligibility to be appointed Mayor, include a requirement for at least eighteen months prior experience as a councilor?

Summary: The City Charter contains no experience eligibility requirements for a councilor to be chosen to be Mayor. Currently a Mayor is not required to have any experience as a City Councilor prior to being appointed Mayor. A newly elected or appointed councilor, regardless of experience, may be chosen to be Mayor by the Council. This measure would amend the Charter to add an eligibility requirement that a person must have at least eighteen months prior experience as a councilor in order to qualify to be chosen and hold the office of Mayor.

Explanatory Statement:

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Proposed Charter Provision

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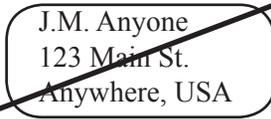
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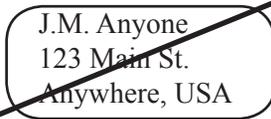
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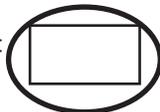
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24-317 Renewal of Current Three-Year Local Option Tax for City Operations

Question: Shall the city renew \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value each year for three years for operations beginning in 2012-13? This measure renews current local option taxes.

Summary: The City of St. Paul is annually required to address a variety of important issues including land use planning, housing development, and resource protection. Currently, one part-time employee, limited consultant assistance, and volunteer citizens efforts are addressing these issues.

The City of St. Paul's permanent tax rate provides revenues to the City of approximately \$18,705 per year which is not adequate to fund the necessary and required functions of the city, including: street lighting, police protection, land use planning, housing development, resource protection, budget and financial management, insurance, general administration and professional services: auditing, legal, engineering and planning.

The requested rate would raise approximately \$45,570 in fiscal year 2012-13.

This measure is subject to the limits of Section 11 b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution. The revenue raised will be for government purposes other than schools. Approval of this measure will cause property taxes on St. Paul properties to exceed the limits of Article XI, Section 11 (g) I and (2)(a) of the Oregon Constitution.

Explanatory Statement:

What does the measure propose?

This three (3) year local option tax would renew a current annual tax of \$1.50 per \$1,000 assessed value which expires November 30, 2011. This local option tax would be in addition to the City's permanent tax rate of \$0.6157 per \$1,000 assessed value. This renewed local option tax revenue would go into the city's General Fund.

What is the General Fund?

The General Fund pays for all city expenditures which are not covered by the city's sewer, water, and street revenues which are dedicated funds. The General Fund covers such services as street lighting, police, land-use planning, housing development, budget and financial management, record keeping, insurance, administration, and professional services for auditing, legal, engineering and planning.

Explanatory Statement (continued):

Why is this additional General Fund Revenue for St. Paul proposed?

The City currently receives funding from a permanent tax rate of \$0.6157 and temporary local option tax of \$1.50 to supplement the General Fund. The temporary local option tax expires November 30, 2011. Without additional tax revenue, the City must rely on the permanent tax rate to support services. Based on 2011-12 budget information, tax revenue collected for General Fund purposes will be reduced to approximately \$18,705 unless another local option tax is approved by the voters.

The City is legally required to carry out General Fund functions relating to a variety of issues such as land-use planning, and development, budgeting and record keeping. These issues are currently being addressed with one part-time employee, limited consultant assistance, and citizen volunteer contributions. The local option tax is being proposed to only maintain the current level of City services for three more years.

How much tax revenue does St. Paul currently collect?

The current property tax rate for the City of St. Paul is a combination of three separate taxes (permanent, local option, and sewer bond) totaling approximately \$2.47 per \$1,000 of assessed value. If voters approve the proposed local option tax, the City's combined tax rate would continue at approximately this same rate from November 1, 2012 to November 30, 2014.

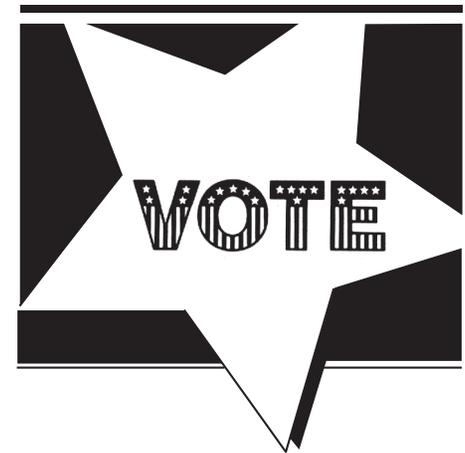
What should citizens know about the requested local option tax?

Under state law, the City cannot increase its permanent tax rate. It may ask voters to approve temporary tax measures. The revenues from the measure must be put into a separate fund and can only be used for the purpose stated in the measure. If this measure is approved, the City would collect the first year's revenue beginning in fiscal year 2012-13. If the local option tax is not approved, the City would only collect taxes at the permanent tax rate of \$0.6157 per \$1,000 of assessed value starting July 15, 2012.

The impact of the proposed levy on an individual homeowner would vary by the value of the home. At the proposed combined rate of \$2.47, property taxes on a \$150,000 home would be \$370.50 per year.

Submitted by:
Lorrie Biggs
City Recorder, City of St. Paul

No arguments in favor of or opposed to this measure were filed.



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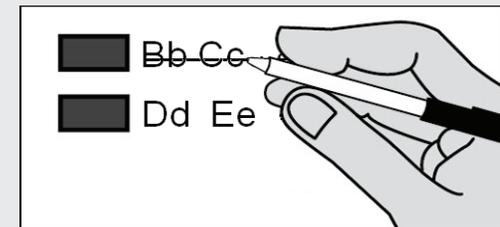
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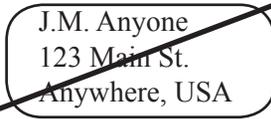
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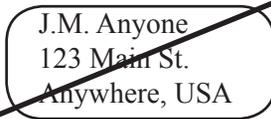
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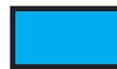
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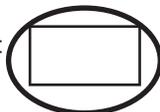
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24-324 Charter Amendment Would Approve Public Safety Communications Fee

Question: Shall Charter be amended to establish a public safety communications fee?

Summary: This would be a Charter amendment. The proposed amendment would impose a fee of \$4.86 per month on each residential dwelling unit or non-residential unit. No increases in the fee would be allowed for five years after the Charter amendment became effective; annual increases would be allowed thereafter. A public hearing before the Keizer City Council would be required before any increase or decrease in the fee is adopted. Any proposed increase could be no more than the Portland Consumer Price Index for Wage Earners or similar index. The City would receive 69% of the fee and fire districts would receive 31% of the fee. Fire districts' portion would be shared based on proportion of land area served within the City boundaries. The City portion of the fee would be dedicated to Police Department communications expenses. Other Police Department funding could not be reduced or supplanted by the fee.

Explanatory Statement:

This measure is a Charter amendment. If approved, this measure would add a new section to the Keizer City Charter. This new Charter section would establish a Public Safety Communications Fee. The initial amount of such fee would be \$4.86 per month per residential dwelling unit or non-residential unit.

Increases to the fee could not be implemented for at least five years after the effective date of the amendment. After that, fee increases could be imposed annually. The City Council could decrease the fee at any time. The City Council would be required to hold a public hearing prior to adopting any increase or decrease in the fee. The

Explanatory Statement (continued):

fee could not be increased greater than the Portland Consumer Price Index for Wage Earners (CPI), or a similar index chosen by the City Council if the CPI no longer exists. If the amendment is approved, the Council would be required to establish administrative procedures by Ordinance for imposition and collection of the fee.

The Charter amendment would require that the City of Keizer and any Fire Districts whose boundaries are within the City limits would share the fee. The City of Keizer would receive 69% of the fee, and any Fire Districts operating within the City would receive 31% of the fee. The Fire Districts' portion would be shared between the Fire Districts based on proportion of land area served within the City boundaries.

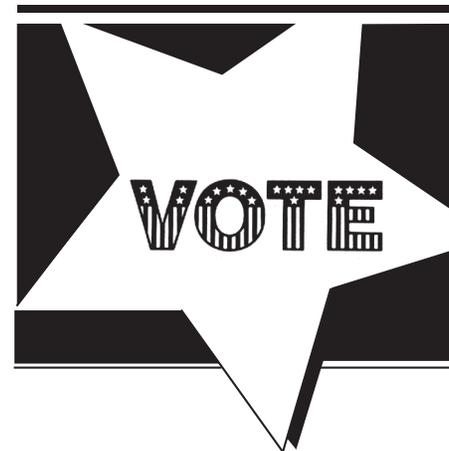
If approved, the Charter amendment would establish a Public Safety Communications Fund. All fees collected under this Charter amendment would be placed in the Public Safety Communications Fund. This fund would be dedicated only for public safety communications expenses.

If approved, the Public Safety Communications Fee could not indirectly or directly cause other police funding to be reduced. The Charter amendment would require the City Council to adopt specific budget restrictions by Resolution to state that the Public Safety Communications Fees would not supplant other Police Department funding.

A "Yes" vote amends the Keizer City Charter to provide for the Public Safety Communications Fee. A "No" vote keeps the current Keizer City Charter unchanged.

Submitted by:
Lore Christopher
Mayor, City of Keizer

No arguments in favor of or opposed to this measure were filed.



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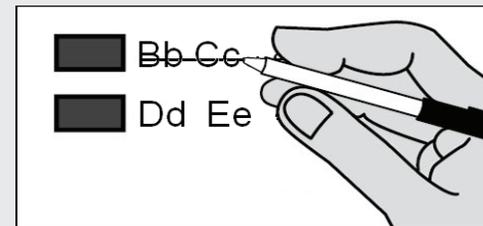
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OREGON
MARION COUNTY
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November 8, 2011
Special Election

Bill Burgess
 Marion County Clerk

CITY OF IDANHA

OFFICIAL MARION
COUNTY DROP SITES

Ballots for Marion County voters will only be issued from the County Elections Office, 4263 Commercial St. SE, Room 300, Salem. The following Marion County Ballot Drop Sites are open normal business hours beginning on October 21, 2011 and until 8:00 PM on Election Day, November 8, 2011.

U.S. Bank - Mill City **Mon - Fri**
 400 N. Santiam Blvd., Mill City 10 AM - 3 PM

Marion County Elections **Mon - Fri**
Inside Service Only 8:30 AM - 5 PM
 4263 Commercial St. SE, # 300, Salem
Election Day, November 8th 7 AM - 8 PM

4263 Commercial St. SE, #300, Salem
 Phone: 503.588.5041 or 1.800.655.5388
 TTY/TDD: 503.588.5610 FAX: 503.588.5383

E-Mail: elections@co.marion.or.us
 Website: <http://www.co.marion.or.us/CO/elections/>

If you have a disability or are otherwise unable to mark your ballot, you may contact the Elections Office for assistance.

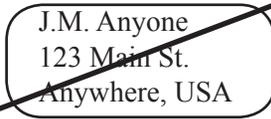
REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- **New registrations** needed to be completed and post-marked by October 18, 2011.

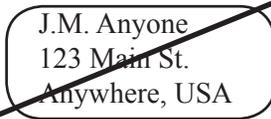
If you have questions about registration or voting, contact the Elections Office.

IMPORTANT BALLOT INFORMATION

If a ballot has been delivered to your address and it is addressed to **someone who does not live at your address:**

1. Mark through the address like this: 
2. Return to your mailbox, post office or letter carrier.

If a ballot has been delivered to someone at your address **who is deceased:**

1. Mark through the address like this: 
2. Write "Deceased" on the envelope.
3. Return to your mailbox, post office or letter carrier.

Notify Marion County Elections BEFORE voting the ballot delivered to you if:

- Your name is different than that on the label; or
- Your residence address has changed; or
- You have added, deleted or changed a mailing address.

REVIEW THE BALLOT PACKET

It should contain the following additional items:

- Printed ballot
- A pre-addressed Return & Secrecy envelope

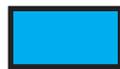
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTING YOUR BALLOT

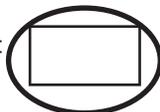
To make sure your vote counts:

- Use a black or blue ink pen to mark your ballot.
- Completely fill in the box.

FILL IN THE BOX LIKE THIS:



NOT THIS:



OR THIS



CHECK YOUR BALLOT

- Make sure you have completely filled in the box next to your choice(s).
- If you vote **both YES and NO** on a measure, it is called an Overvote. Your vote will not count for that measure.
- You do not have to vote on all contests. Those you do vote on will still count.

RETURNING YOUR VOTED BALLOT

- Place the ballot in the secrecy envelope, seal it, then place the secrecy envelope in the Return envelope. Do not remove the label.
- Sign the Voter Statement on the back of the Return envelope. **Your ballot will not be counted if you do not sign your envelope.**
- To return your ballot by mail, place **one first class stamp** on the envelope.
- To return your ballot other than through the mail, you may refer to the list of ballot drop sites. You may return your ballot to any Official Ballot Drop Site in the State.

FOR YOUR BALLOT TO BE COUNTED

- Mark your ballot according to voting instructions.
- Do **NOT** remove any label(s)
- Use your secrecy envelope.
- Your brown striped return ballot envelope **must be signed.**
- Your ballot must be received in the Elections Office or an Official Ballot Drop Site by 8:00 P.M. on Election Day. **POSTMARK DOES NOT COUNT.**

WHAT IF I . . . ?

What if I make a mistake on my ballot?

See Instructions on your ballot.
 If you make a mistake that cannot be corrected, call the Marion County Elections Office and request a replacement ballot. One will be mailed to you provided the request is received within time for mailing. Otherwise, you may pick up a replacement ballot in person.

What if I change my mind after I turn in my ballot?

Your ballot has been cast as soon as you deposit it in the mail or at a drop site. After that, you cannot receive a new ballot.

What if I don't vote on everything on the ballot?

Your ballot will be counted.

Do Not Forget to Sign Your Return Ballot Envelope

CITY OF IDANHA

Referred to the People by the City Council

24-318 Amends Charter: Changes election of Mayor and Council.

Question: Shall Idanha Charter be amended to require the election of a Mayor at each biennial election?

Summary: This measure, if approved, would amend Chapter III, Section 9 by requiring the voters of the City of Idanha to actually elect a Mayor each biennium. The current charter requires the City Council to elect a Mayor from the membership of the Council. This measure also amends Chapter III, Section 8 where only two Council members shall be elected instead of three. Said Council members hold office for a period of four years. The Mayor shall hold office for a period of two years.

Explanatory Statement:

The City of Idanha would like to amend its charter to change the way in which the City appoints its Mayor and remaining Council members. Rather than have the City Council appoint a Mayor who is elected at each biennial general election at the first council meeting of the year after the election; the City would have the position of Mayor voted by the electors of its people. Instead of appointing the Mayor by the members of the Council it would be a position that those wishing to run for Mayor can be elected to that position. If approved, the City Council would also change terms of those elected to those three seats. Instead of those elected with the two highest votes holding four year terms and the third highest vote holding a two year term; those running for seats not for the Mayor position would hold a four year term and the person winning the seat of Mayor would hold a two year term.

Submitted by:
Traci Martinez
Mayor, City of Idanha

Measures 24-319 & 24-320 are Referred to the People by Initiative Petition

24-319 Amends Charter: Sets date and time for all Council meetings.

Question: Shall Idanha Charter set specific date and time for City Council meetings?

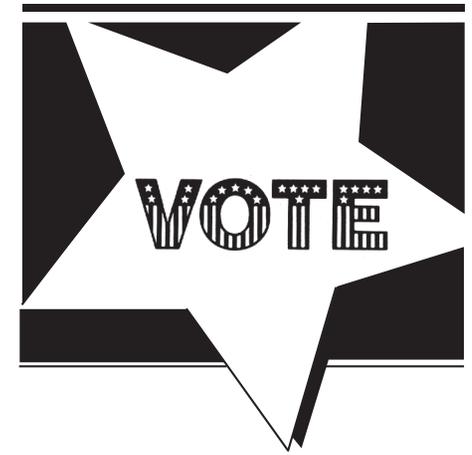
Summary: This measure, if approved, would amend the Idanha City Charter to require all City Council meetings to be on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 PM Pacific Standard Time, except when the second Monday is on a National Holiday, the meeting would be held on the third Monday of the month at 7:00 PM Pacific Standard Time.

24-320 Amends Charter: Requires Voter Approval of Taxes, Fees, and Charges.

Question: Shall Idanha Charter require voter approval of all proposed taxes, fees, and charges, and fee of charge increases of above 2%?

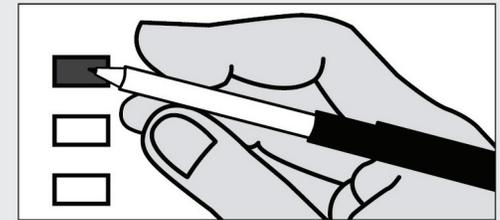
Summary: This measure if approved, would amend the Idanha City Charter to require voter approval of any proposed taxes, charges, or fees, increased charges or fees exceeding 2% or tax increases in any amount, or authority of another entity to collect a tax, fee or charge on behalf of the City. A vote approving proposed increased taxes, fees or changes would only be effective if passed at a general election in an even numbered year or at an election with at least 50% turn out vote. Local Improvement Districts assessments would not be assessed without consent from at least half of the affected property owners, such consent having been obtained within one year of assessment.

No arguments in favor of or opposed to these measures were filed.



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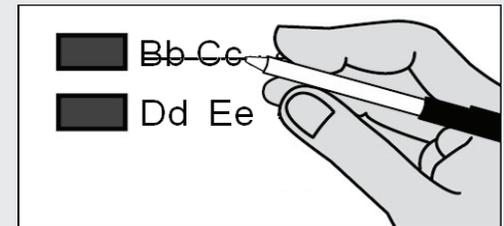
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