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Notice of Measure Election

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District

Notice

Date of Notice	Name of District	Name of County or Counties	Date of Election
3/15/2023	Aurora Fire District #63	Marion, Clackamas	5/16/2023

Final Ballot Title The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the district's voters. The ballot title notice has been published and the ballot title challenge process has been completed.

Caption 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure.

Five-year levy for hiring additional firefighters & general operations.

Question 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure.

Shall AFD replace current rate with \$1.98/assessed value for five years beginning 2023, hiring EMTs/Firefighters and enhancing operations? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

Summary 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect.

Aurora Fire is seeking a five-year local option tax for general operations. Monies are needed to maintain and hire additional career EMTs/Firefighters. This levy will assist the District to staff apparatus with up to 3 career EMTs/Firefighters 24/7. The District currently has funding for two firefighters per 24 hours, this is below national standards of staffing of a three person minimum crew.

AFD responds to over 1300 emergencies a year, the amount of calls is stretching current resources thin. The reality is that times have changed. Demands on volunteers have become increasingly difficult to balance. We are no longer the small rural district we used to be, we are asking you to decide what service level you want us to provide. Money will be used for staffing, general operating expenses such as equipment, supplies and repairs. This levy request will help ensure we are staffed for your emergency and will put us on target for meeting minimum staffing standards. This levy replaces the current rate of \$0.99.

The proposed rate will raise approximately \$2,208,296 in 2023-24; \$2,284,485 in 2024-25; \$2,353,351 in 2025-26; \$2,423,992 in 2026-27; and 2,496,712 in 2027-28.

Explanatory Statement 500 words that impartially explains the measure and its effect.

If the county is producing a voters' pamphlet an explanatory statement must be drafted and attached to this form for:

- any measure referred by the district elections authority; or
→ any initiative or referendum, if required by local ordinance.

Explanatory Statement Attached? Yes No

Authorized District Official Not required to be notarized.

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By signing this document:

- I hereby state that I am authorized by the district elections authority to submit this Notice of Measure Election; and
→ I certify that notice of receipt of ballot title has been published and the ballot title challenge process for this measure completed.

Signature redacted

3/15/2023

Signature

Date Signed