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City of Gladstone Recall Election May 23, 2017

Clackamas County

Instructions to Voter

Please use a black or blue ink pen to mark your ballot. To vote for your choice in each contest, completely fill in the box next to your choice. Be sure to inspect your ballot for mistakes.

If you make a mistake or damage your ballot, call the Clackamas County Elections office at **503.655.8510** to ask for assistance.

WARNING

Any person who, by use of force or other means, unduly influences an elector to vote in any particular manner or to refrain from voting is subject to a fine. (ORS 251.470)

Ballot Drop Boxes

Your ballot must be returned in the envelope provided for it and not in the same envelope as the May 16, 2017 Special District Election ballot. You may drop your ballot for this election in any drop box in the county up until 8:00 p.m. on May 16, 2017. After that date and up until 8:00 p.m. on May 23, 2017 you may only use the locations listed below:

<u>Gladstone City Hall</u> - 525 NE Portland Ave, Gladstone Outside drop box available 24 hrs

<u>Gladstone Library</u> - 135 E Dartmouth St, Gladstone Inside drop box available business

hours: Mon-Thurs - 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Fri, Sat - 11:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Sun - 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Clackamas County Elections Office

Mon-Thurs - 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Fri - 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. May 16 & May 23 - 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Outside drop box available 24 hrs

Election Day for this Recall Election is Tuesday, May 23, 2017.

This is a completely separate election from the May 16, 2017
Special District Election for which you likely received a ballot about a week ago. In order that all ballots be processed properly, please make sure to use the return envelope provided to return this Recall Election ballot. Do not return your Special District election (May 16) ballot with this ballot, the Special District Election ballot must be returned in the envelope provided for that election.

This Gladstone Recall Election Ballot can be returned at either of the Gladstone ballot collection sites (see addresses and times elsewhere on this ballot) until 8:00 pm on May 23, 2017.

City of Gladstone

City Council, Position 1

Question: Do you vote to recall Kim Sieckmann from the office of City of Gladstone Councilor, Position 1?

Reasons for demanding the recall of Kim Sieckmann as filed in the petition:

Illegal contracting:

Sieckmann has repeatedly shown a marked bias favoring contracting practices that disallow fair and open competition for consulting services.

Unprofessional and a bully:

Sieckmann supported in the undermining of council members, voting against allowing council members to view and verify charges from the city attorney. He was a key player in driving off former council members including the previous Mayor.

Questionable hiring practices:

Sieckmann supported and participated in the interview and hiring process of Interim Assistant City Administrator without public posting of the job nor public input, leaving out key members of the council.

Unethical behavior:

Sieckmann attempted to influence an election by using his title and influence in an unethical attempt to discredit those who would challenge his power. He made slanderous and exaggerated comments to influence and deceive Gladstone voters. Cost Gladstone our new library: Sieckmann was a key player in the library debacle. He supported the lawsuit instead of working to be compliant with the agreement with Clackamas County.

Statement of justification of Kim Sieckmann's course in office:

Vote No on the recalls.

It is unfortunate it has come to this. The Chief Petitioner of this recall ran and did not win in the last election for City Council. So now he may feel he can recall a couple councilors and have a chance to be appointed.

He has made 5 claims against me. **The claims are not factual.** 4 of the 5 claims were decisions made by the City Council as a whole. Not me individually. The State of Oregon takes illegal and unethical behavior serious. **I am not under**

any investigation for any these complaints due to the fact they are not justified.

I did submit an opinion piece in the newspaper for the November Election. I had been asked my opinion by many citizens. With 10 items on the Gladstone Ballot people had questions. This is well within the rights of an elected official to do so.

Over the last 2 years I have been part of the council team making tough decisions after 30 years of status quo.

Only being allowed 200 words here to defend against these baseless allegations is a challenge. **Please feel free to contact me for more discussion.**

No I vote against the recall

971-235-0198

norecallgladstone@gmail.com

Yes I vote for the recall

City of Gladstone

City Council, Position 3

Question: Do you vote to recall Steve Johnson from the office of City of Gladstone Councilor, Position 3?

Reasons for demanding the recall of Steve Johnson as filed in the petition:

Illegal contracting:

Johnson has repeatedly shown a marked bias favoring contracting practices that disallow fair and open competition for consulting services.

Questionable hiring practices:
Johnson supported and participated in the interview and hiring process of Interim
Assistant City Administrator without public posting of the job nor public input, leaving out key members of the council.
Unprofessional behavior:

His questionable meeting practices and representation of the city on local and regional matters detracts from the cooperative and high standard expected by the citizens of Gladstone. He also has been disrespectful and heckled members of the community while they tried to address concerns during council meetings. Fiscal irresponsibility:

Johnson promoted and approved a substantial Information Technology project that was not previously accounted for or approved by the budget committee. This contract award was \$300,000. Violation of ORS 260.532: False publication relating to measure:

Johnson falsely stated in the fall 2015 Voter's Pamphlet the city would not sell city owned park property to fund the Police Dept. / City Hall Capital Project, with the full knowledge and intent of selling the Gladstone Nature Park which is listed on the city website as a park.

Statement of justification of Steve Johnston's course in office:

The recall claims against me are unfounded and entirely untrue. During my time serving on your city council I have:

- * Approved the hiring of professional staff members including a new administrator, assistant administrator, police chief, fire chief, public works director and accounting manager. Very real and serious problems in our city were solved by each of these hires.
- * Submitted ballot measures to the people of Gladstone for a muchneeded new police station and city hall, which were approved. Construction of the new police station is expected to begin this year.
- * Worked with staff and the entire council to specify and approve a new, modern accounting system to replace obsolete and no longer supported software. Better accounting systems provide better accountability to the people of Gladstone and is a responsible way to spend your hard-earned tax dollar.

These accomplishments and many more were all completed within the budget and without raising taxes. I believe Gladstone is in a better position because of the work that I've done for you. I'm asking you to vote to keep me on the council to continue to serve you in a fiscally responsible manner.

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Yes I vote for the recall
No I vote against the recall