

# Notice of Measure Election City

<b>Notice</b>		
<b>Date of Notice</b>	<b>Name of City or Cities</b> City of Gladstone	<b>Date of Election</b> November 7, 2023

**Final Ballot Title** The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the city'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.

RENEWAL OF CURRENT OPERATING LEVY FOR POLICE SERVICES

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

Shall Gladstone renew the operating levy of \$0.68 per \$1,000 for police services for five years beginning 2024-2025? This measure renews current local option taxes.

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

This measure renews the current police operating levy that will expire in June 2024. The City Council placed this measure on the ballot to maintain existing police services such as:

- Consistent, continuous police services 24/7
- Police station operations in downtown Gladstone
- Community Service Officer
- School Resource Officer
- K9 officer program

Maintain connection with the regional County dispatch center (CCOM) to handle 911 priority calls and emergency response for fire, police, ambulance, and search and rescue

- Crime prevention efforts / problem-oriented policing
- Other services and equipment to maintain police service levels

With these positions, the Police Department is able to continue to respond to emergency situations in a timely and effective manner and to provide consistent police services 24/7.

Estimated amounts to be raised by this levy:

2024-2025	\$803,529
2025-2026	\$827,635
2026-2027	\$852,464
2027-2028	\$878,038
2028-2029	\$904,379

Total: \$4,266,044

**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 city governing body; **or**  
 → any initiative or referendum, if required by local ordinance.

**Explanatory Statement Attached?**  Yes  No

**Authorized City Official** Not required to be notarized.

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*By signing this document:*  
 → I hereby state that I am authorized by the city 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**

08-02-2023  
Date Signed

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## City of Gladstone Renewal of Current Operating Levy for Police Services Explanatory Statement

### What is Gladstone's Police Services Levy?

The City of Gladstone provides police services to respond to calls for assistance in the community. If the measure passes, the City would continue to have enough funding to maintain police services at their existing levels. The levy would continue the current level of service and staffing to serve the Gladstone community.

### If the measure passes, would the Police Services Levy cost taxpayers?

The levy would continue the current rate of \$0.68 per \$1,000 of assessed value, unchanged from today. The cost per household for a home with an assessed value of \$242,000 (different from market value) would be, on average, about \$165 per year.

If the measure does not pass, services that are currently paid from the Police Services Levy would have to be taken out of the existing budget, requiring service and staffing reductions. The City could no longer support consistent, continuous police services 24/7, operating from the police station in downtown Gladstone.

The following specific services would not be supported: Community Service and School Resource officers; K9 officer program; Gladstone's share of costs for the regional County dispatch center (CCOM) that handles 911 priority calls; crime prevention program; other services and equipment purchases.

### What is the City's history with the Police Services Levy?

The Police Services Operating Levy was first authorized by voters in November, 1998. In 2002, 2008 and 2012 voters re-authorized the Police Services Operating Levy. In 2018, voters again approved (74% Yes) the current tax which expires in 2024. This proposed levy would maintain the current rate of \$0.68 per \$1,000 of assessed value for five years starting July 2024 through June 2029. **The proposed levy is a renewal request, not a new tax.**

### QUICK FACTS

If this measure passes, it would renew the current Police Operating Levy that expires in June 2024. The City Council placed this measure on the ballot for voters' consideration. If passed, the levy would maintain existing police services:

- Consistent, continuous police services 24/7
- Police station operations in downtown Gladstone
- Community Service Officer
- School Resource Officer
- K9 officer program
- Regional County dispatch center (CCOM) handles 911 priority calls – Gladstone's share
- Crime prevention
- Other services/equipment