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JOHN KAUFFMAN
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OAK LODGE FIRE
MEASURE 3-43
BALLOT TITLE

OAK LODGE FIRE DISTRICT NO. 51
GENERAL OBLIGATION
BOND AUTHORIZATION

QUESTION: Shall the District be authorized to contract a general obligation bonded indebtedness in an amount not to exceed \$2,875,000? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of Section 11B, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY: This measure, if approved, would authorize the District to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$2,875,000. Proceeds to be used to finance the constructing, acquiring, installing, and equipping a new fire station headquarters, including site preparation, and paying all costs incidental thereto. The bonds maturing over not to exceed ten years.

Explanatory Statement

This measure was placed on the ballot by the elected citizens who serve as the Board of Directors for Oak Lodge Fire District out of their concern for the Districts ability to provide critical lifesaving services in the event of an earthquake.

The Measure asks voters to consider the sale of \$2.875 million in bonds to construct a new fire station to replace the existing facility.

The Board of Directors made this decision after reviewing the results of a study of the facility conducted by a structural engineering firm. The study indicated that the Fire Station would not likely withstand the effects of a major earthquake.

The Board requested the study due to the increasing occurrence of earthquakes in Los Angeles, San Francisco, throughout the Pacific Northwest including the one centered in Scott's Mill, and considering the fact that this area has been reclassified as seismic zone 3.

The Fire District building was built over 40 years ago with an addition constructed in the 1970's. The engineering study indicated that where the two types of construction are tied together over the main apparatus bay, an earthquake could cause the building to shake and resonate at different frequencies, resulting in the collapse of the upper level, containing on-duty firefighter living and sleeping quarters, onto the rescue vehicles parked in the apparatus bay below. This could cause injury to, or loss of personnel and would result in destruction of emergency vehicles and communication equipment.

To structurally reinforce the existing building, replace a flat roof with serious leakage problems, replace an outdated manually operated back-up power system, and a heating and air conditioning system, as well as other structural and system repairs and replacement would cost \$1 to \$1.5 million. Currently the building does not conform to handicapped access in accordance with the Federal Americans With Disabilities Act, nor do the living quarters accommodate a gender diverse work force, i.e. female firefighters.

The proposed bond measure would pay for construction of a new facility on the site of the existing Fire Station and would include 300 square feet of office space for the sheriff.

OREGON CITY SCHOOL
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BALLOT TITLE

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Passage of this measure will enable the district to:

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PLEASE VOTE.

Submitted by:
Donald L. Tank, Superintendent
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Argument in Favor

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