
CITY OF CANBY

MEASURE 3-48

BALLOT TITLE

**THREE YEAR SERIAL LEVY
FOR STREET MAINTENANCE IN CANBY**

QUESTION: Shall the City of Canby levy \$.42/\$1,000 in 1995-98 outside the Tax Base for Street Maintenance?

SUMMARY: The cost of repairing pavement has risen dramatically and the backlog of Street maintenance has fallen behind and will continue to grow if the City does not increase its current level of spending. The City currently spends \$150,000 per year to maintain 1,055,970 square yards (45 miles) of pavement. 12% of the City's streets are in poor or failing condition. An increase of \$200,000 per year would avoid over \$4.7 million in deferred maintenance. The Levy will also bring 100% of the City's streets out of the very poor or failing category.

The rate of the Levy will be \$.42 cents per thousand of assessed value. The levy is expected to raise approximately \$189,000 in FY 1995, \$210,000 in FY 1996 and \$240,000 in FY 1997. The levy is subject to the limits of Section 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution and would be used exclusively for Street Maintenance.

Explanatory Statement

The City of Canby Transportation System is maintained by the Public Works Department. The citizens of Canby are the owners of the Transportation System. There are 45.3 miles of streets within the system. As the City grows, more and more miles of streets are added to the system. When a new subdivision is built, the developer builds the streets. One year after completion those streets are then added to the miles of streets maintained by the City of Canby.

The City currently spends approximately \$150,000

per year to maintain about 1,055,970 square yards of pavement. Also, the recently completed Transportation Master Plan indicates that 12% of the system is currently in very poor or failing condition. If the City continues to spend what it currently spends on street maintenance through the year 2003, then 52% of the system will be in very poor or failing condition.

The cost of repairing pavement as it deteriorates rises dramatically over time. The current backlog of deferred maintenance on the City's streets is \$4.1 million and will grow to \$6.1 million by the year 2003 if the City continues its current level of spending for maintenance. However, with an increase of \$200,000 per year in spending towards maintenance the backlog will drop to less than \$1.4 million in the year 2003. Thus, for an increase of \$200,000 per year for eight years the City will avoid over \$4.7 million in deferred maintenance. Along with the drop in deferred maintenance backlog, the Levy will also bring 100% of the City's streets out of the very poor or failing category.

To help with this situation, the City is proposing a three-year, rate based Serial Levy. The rate for the Levy will be 42 cents per thousand of assessed value. An owner of a \$100,000 property would pay 42 dollars per year for the three years of the levy. The Levy is expected to raise approximately \$189,000 in the first year, \$210,000 in the second year and \$240,000 in the third year.

Clackamas County is proposing a county wide gas tax on the November ballot. Should that gas tax be adopted by the voters, the City of Canby will levy and collect no more of this serial levy than is necessary to achieve the revenue levels that this ballot measure would generate on its own. For example, this measure will generate approximately \$189,000 in the first year; if the county wide gas tax generates \$139,000 for the City of Canby, the City will only levy and collect \$50,000 from this measure.

Submitted by:
Michael Jordan, City Administrator
City of Canby

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THESE MEASURES WERE FILED.**

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MEASURE 3-47

BALLOT TITLE

THREE YEAR SERIAL LEVY FOR POLICE SERVICES IN CANBY

QUESTION: Shall the City of Canby levy \$.44/\$1,000 in 1995-98 outside the Tax Base for Police Services?

SUMMARY: Over the past several years, the City has seen an increase in the number of crimes related to drugs, gangs and domestic violence. Growth in population has seen an increase in traffic and traffic accidents. The funding received will help hire two officers in the first year, one for drug investigation and one for patrol, establish a full time Community Policing program and replace equipment. Funding in the second year and third year would be used to maintain these programs and in the third year one additional patrol officer would be hired.

The rate of the Levy will be \$.44 cents per thousand of assessed value. The levy is expected to raise approximately \$200,000 in FY 1995, \$220,000 in FY 1996 and \$250,000 in FY 1997. The levy is subject to the limits of Section 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution and would be used exclusively for Police Services.

Explanatory Statement

During the past five years, the City of Canby has increased in population from 9,000 to a current level in excess of 10,500 citizens. During this same time period, the Police Department has added two new officers. Both were hired in 1992. One of these officers was assigned to Crime Prevention and Drug Abuse Resistance Education, providing drug awareness education in the public school, establishing neighborhood watch programs, and working with community groups to identify innovative ways to reduce crime. The other officer was assigned to work full time on drug investigations.

Increases in activity forced the department to reassign this officer to uniform patrol in 1993, temporarily eliminating our drug investigation program. Other than this, the department has not added any new manpower resources in the past five years. Over these past years, the community has seen an increase in the number of crimes related to drug usage, as well as youth gangs and domestic violence. The growth in population has resulted in an increase in vehicular traffic on virtually every street in the City and, with this, an increase in traffic accidents.

The City is proposing a three-year, rate-based Serial Levy to help the Police Department respond to these demands. The rate of the Levy will be 44 cents per thousand of assessed value. An owner of a \$100,000 property would pay no more than 44 dollars per year for the three years of the Levy. The Levy is expected to raise approximately \$200,000 in the first year. The funding received during the first year of the three year Levy would enable the department to hire two officers to do the following:

1. Replace the Drug Investigation Unit. One officer would be hired to replace the officer that was reassigned in 1993 to uniformed patrol.
2. Establish a full time Community Policing Program. With the help of 75% of matching Federal funding, the department would be able to hire a full time officer who would concentrate on building Community Policing Partnerships with specific high risk neighborhoods in an effort to improve and maintain the highest level of safety and livability possible.

In addition to the hiring of two full time officers, the balance of the revenue generated during the first year of the Levy would be used to improve or replace radio and computer equipment, along with vehicle replacement and maintenance.

Funding received during the second year of the Levy would be used to maintain these programs. The third year of the Levy would provide the funds necessary to maintain the already existing programs, as well as adding one additional uniformed patrol officer. This would allow us to maintain our current shift coverage and response levels as the community continues to grow.

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City of Canby

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CITY OF ESTACADA

MEASURE 3-46

BALLOT TITLE

REPEAL OF INCREASE IN CITY WATER RATE

QUESTION: Should increase in basic water rate be repealed?

SUMMARY: The City Council raised the basic water rate from \$1.00 per thousand gallons to \$1.50 per thousand gallons. The increase was needed so rates would cover the cost to operate the system. If this passes, the basic rate would return to \$1.00 per thousand gallons.

Explanatory Statement

WATER RATES REFERENDUM

The Estacada City Council approved an Ordinance to increase water rates. The usage charge was increased from \$1.00 per 1,000 gallons to \$1.50 per 1,000 gallons.

The increase in water rates was passed so water receipts would meet the current cost of maintaining and operating the City's water system. Revenue generated by the increase will be applied to meet the costs of operating the water system in three areas: To meet service obligations to City water customers; To meet state and federal water quality standards; and To pay the City's 1972 bonded debt for the water system. The last increase in water rates was a 20% increase in September of 1991.

Approval of this measure will return water rates to their previous level. Defeat of this measure will approve the City Council's increase.

Submitted by:
Greg Ellis, City of Estacada

**NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST
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Argument in Favor

Vote YES for Fire Protection and Safety

Most of us assume that when we call, the Fire Department will respond. But what if they didn't? What if they couldn't? Probably that's something you've never thought about. It may seem impossible, but it's not -- especially now.

The reality is that our Oak Lodge Fire Station, and the firefighters who work and sleep there, may not be able to respond to emergencies and disasters. Why? Because even though the fire station has been well maintained as a taxpayer investment for over 40 years, it is an old building, not designed to handle today's modern firefighting equipment. It doesn't have the structural strength, nor does it meet safety standards to withstand earthquakes and other dangers -- standards we demand and have in our own homes.

Extensive engineering and operational efficiency examinations prove that to protect the lives and safety of the firefighters, enable them to respond to our call for help in emergencies, protect our own investments as taxpayers and homeowners, and help save money by reducing operating costs, we must act now. Now is the time to replace the old, unsafe, inefficient buildings with a new, well-designed and efficient one.

As a result, we will protect our fire equipment and firefighters. That means you and I are protected too. Each of us can do this for about \$32.00 per year*. That's only \$2.60 per month. You simply can't buy ANY other kind of insurance for that low price. It's a good investment in our public fire district. It's for the protection of our homes and our loved ones.

Please join us. Vote YES on Measure 3-49.

Ris Bradshaw Jessica Williamson Irma V. Knapp
Chuck Petersen Punky Scott Milo Haas
Bert Cranston Jim Graves Bill Brooks
Mary E. Beisley Terry L. Mohr Harland M. Krause
Jim Edwards Bill Foelker Paul A. Casebeer and
many more friends and neighbors...

* on \$100,000 assessed valuation

Submitted by:
Paul A. Casebeer
Citizens for Oak Lodge Fire Protection and Safety

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OAK LODGE FIRE MEASURE 3-49 BALLOT TITLE

OAK LODGE FIRE DISTRICT NO. 51 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND AUTHORIZATION

QUESTION: Shall the district be authorized to contract 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 constructing, acquiring, installing, and equipping of a new fire station headquarters, including site preparation, and paying all costs incidental thereto. Bonds maturing over a period not to exceed ten years. The estimated tax levy for the bonds is anticipated not to exceed \$32.00 annually per \$100,000 of assessed value.

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 District's 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 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.

The new station will cost about \$2.8 million. This includes site preparation and bond costs.

If approved, this measure would authorize the District to issue \$2,875,000 in general obligation bonds to be paid over the next 10 years. The first year would cost approximately \$0.32 per thousand of assessed valuation, or \$32 on a one hundred thousand dollar house. Each additional year this amount will decrease if assessed values increase.

Submitted by:
James E. Kefalas
Oak Lodge Fire District

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CITY OF WILSONVILLE (JT)

MEASURE 3-50

BALLOT TITLE

AUTHORIZES ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR WILSONVILLE LIBRARY EXPANSION

QUESTION: Shall the city be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$3,900,000? 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: If this measure is approved, proceeds will be used to pay for an approximate 17,500 square foot expansion and improvements of the Wilsonville Library. The library has an immediate need to expand in order to keep pace with growth. Bond proceeds would finance the land acquisition, construction, remodeling, equipping and furnishing of the expanded library and pay all costs incidental thereto. General obligation bonds would be issued in a principal amount not to exceed \$3,900,000. Bonds shall mature in not more than 20 years.

Explanatory Statement

When the Wilsonville Public Library was built in 1988, it was expected that the city would reach "build out" population of 16,500 in the year 2010 and that the 7,500 square foot building might not have to be expanded until that time. However, growth has occurred much faster than anticipated and it now appears that build out will be reached by the year 2000. As a result, there is an immediate need to expand the Library, whose growth in circulation and collection size has far outstripped the city's population growth. In the six years from 1988-1994, the city's population grew by 93%, while the library's circulation grew by 336%.

In 1994, a citizens' Library Expansion Task Force recommended a major expansion of the library building. An architect was subsequently hired to produce preliminary designs and cost estimates for such an expansion. The design plan calls for the library to expand to the east and south, in an area currently used as the building's parking lot. The new wing would provide additional space for the adult and reference collections, as well as larger study and reading areas. The existing building would be used for a larger children's library, expanded meeting space and office space for the library staff. It is anticipated that this expansion would serve the city's needs until the year 2020 or beyond.

The total project cost for a 17,500 square foot expansion has been estimated at \$3,900,000 (1996 dollars), including all direct construction costs, site preparation, utility relocation and connection, furnishings, materials, equipment, and all costs incidental thereto. Bond proceeds may also be used for land acquisition and/or trade with adjoining property owners for parking and alternative access. It is anticipated that the bond measure will add approximately \$.39 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation to a Wilsonville property tax bill, or about \$58.40 for a \$150,000 home.

Submitted by:
Linda Boeckman, Deputy Elections Officer
City of Wilsonville

Argument in Favor

In 1988 the population of Wilsonville was a little over 5,000. September of that year marked the dedication of the present building for the Wilsonville Public Library. Since then, Wilsonville's population has doubled. After just seven years in the current building, the Library's circulation is over five times greater. A library which once seemed adequate is sorely outgrown.

An expansion of the Library is urgently needed. Why?

- The library building is already inadequate in terms of "population served". The present building, which is adequate by library standards to serve a population of

10,000, now serves approximately 14,000 city and County patrons. By library standards, the proposed expansion should serve a population of up to 30,000 which is anticipated to be adequate until the year 2020 or beyond.

- Without more space, the size of the collection would probably become static within a couple of years. With additional space, the depth and variety of the Library collection could continue to be developed, resulting in increased on-site availability of Library materials patrons want.
- The collection is already difficult to access because of crowded shelves. The proposed expansion would allow for easier physical access to the collection with wider aisles and uncrowded shelves.
- Without expansion, the space now used for children and adult programs, quiet study areas and public meetings would eventually be eliminated. This space would need to be used for shelves. With the proposed expansion, the Library would be able to continue to offer to community space for these valuable purposes.
- The proposed expansion would allow for more computer terminals for patron use which would increase access to electronic information sources.

The proposed Library expansion would provide space for increased library resources for citizens of all ages in our community. It is money well spent.

THE WILSONVILLE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Submitted by:
Russell S. Jones, President
The Wilsonville Friends of the Library

NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

CITY OF WILSONVILLE (JT)

MEASURE 3-51

BALLOT TITLE

AUTHORIZES ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR MEMORIAL PARK IMPROVEMENTS

QUESTION: Shall the City be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$940,000? 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: If this measure is approved, bond proceeds will be used to finance construction of a multi-use amphitheater, a new softball field with lights, a new soccer field, two new tennis courts with lights, the addition of lights to an existing field, modifications to the park's road system and pay all costs incidental thereto. General obligation bonds would be issued in a principal amount not to exceed \$940,000. Bonds shall mature in not more than 20 years.

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CITY OF WEST LINN MEASURE 3-52 BALLOT TITLE

WEST LINN CHARTER AMENDMENT CONCERNING CITY PURCHASING PROCEDURES

QUESTION: Shall Section 23 (c) (4) of the West Linn Charter be amended to clarify the City Manager's duties regarding city purchases?

SUMMARY: If approved, Section 23 (c) (4) will read:

"The City Manager shall ensure that all expenditures of public funds, including the purchase of goods and services, are made in accordance with city policies, state budget and public contract law, and generally accepted financial management practices."

Currently, this section requires the City Manager to make all city purchases by purchase order. This requirement can be impractical. The amendment deletes the purchase order requirement. However, it ensures that all expenditures are made according to applicable state and local laws.

Explanatory Statement

This measure would change a City Charter requirement that all purchases be made by written purchase orders. A purchase order is a form that lists the quantity, price and description of an item to be purchased. Copies go to the vendor, the finance department and the receiving department. They must be signed by the City Manager, or someone so designated. The Charter requirement provides for no exceptions.

If this measure is approved, the purchase order requirement would be replaced with a new rule. Purchases of goods as well as services would be covered. All purchases would have to comply with:

- 1) City purchasing and finance policies.
- 2) State budget and public contract laws.
- 3) Generally accepted financial management practices.

The City Council proposed the change. It is meant to cut down on paperwork for routine, small purchases. In many cases, issuing a purchase order can be impractical, time consuming and unnecessary when compared with the value of an item being purchased.

The City Council decided that purchase orders were not needed for all items, like pencils and paper clips. Other examples where purchase orders are not practical: buying stamps, publishing legal notices, paying phone bills.

The city's financial records are audited every year. After the last audit, the auditor recommended that the purchase order requirement be changed.

City policies ensure that all purchases are properly controlled and documented. Records of all purchases, large or small, are required. That will continue. Receipts or invoices must accompany any billing or request for payment. City purchases must comply with state laws and with City policies. And they must meet state budget law.

The Charter change would not eliminate purchase orders entirely. Under City policy, they will continue to be required for items over \$500.

Submitted by:
John Atkins, City of West Linn

**NO ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST
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Explanatory Statement

Wilsonville is currently unable to meet the demand for athletic field space created by the 1,800+ participants involved in youth and adult sports leagues, and unable to provide an adequate location for outdoor musical and theatrical performances. If this bond measure is approved, new and/or improved fields in Memorial Park will allow the city to meet current demand by scheduling an additional 32 games per week, allowing an additional 768 children and adults access to baseball/softball fields and will allow the 600+ youth soccer players access to a regulation soccer field year round. In addition, the bond measure will provide for the development of an amphitheater in Memorial Park for music, plays and other performances.

In 1994, the Wilsonville City Council adopted a Parks and Recreation Master Plan that identifies current and future needs in park improvements and expansion projects throughout the city. The plan identifies Memorial Park as the number one priority for Wilsonville to meet the needs of the community. The Wilsonville Parks and Recreation Advisory Board has recommended that a general obligation bond be used to fund the Memorial Park improvements.

Specific projects that would be funded by this bond measure include:

- a new multi-use amphitheater
- one new baseball/softball field with lights
- addition of lights to an existing field
- one new soccer field
- one expanded field (with lights)
- addition of two new tennis courts with lights
- modify the park road system

The total project has been estimated at \$940,000 (1996 dollars), including all direct construction costs, site preparation, utility relocation and connection. It is anticipated that the bond measure will add \$.09 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation to a Wilsonville property tax bill, or about \$13.50 for a \$150,000 home.

Submitted by:
Linda Boeckman, Deputy Elections Officer
City of Wilsonville

Argument in Favor

Do you want to benefit the youth of our community?
Would you enjoy watching musicals and plays in the park?

Here is a wonderful opportunity to provide the youth of our community the facilities they need to participate in local sports and the means to provide music and other cultural performances in an attractive outdoor amphitheater. This measure benefits the entire community, not just a certain segment of the population.

Sports are proven to build team-work, self-esteem, and good health. Youth that participate in sports are more likely to stay in school and build essential social skills. The park fields are in such high demand that scheduling for everyone's needs are virtually impossible. The improvements measure 3-51 will provide will meet many of the community's needs for years to come.

In addition, the bond measure will provide for the development of a natural amphitheater in Memorial Park for lectures, plays, music and other performing arts. The existing large shelter near the river will be remodeled to accommodate both picnics and performances. The surrounding area can be naturally terraced allowing for comfortable grass seating and optimal viewing. The addition of an outdoor amphitheater will bring to the community an element that has been missing. The opportunity for families to enjoy music and theater in the beautiful surroundings of Memorial Park. This will help provide the city with the sense of community that many of us have been looking for.

For only \$9 per year on a \$100,000 home, less than the cost of a pizza, this plan will become reality. Shouldn't we seriously consider benefiting the city's most valuable resources, our children and open space, and develop the sense of community that we all long for?

Wilsonville Measure 3-51 is supported by the following organizations:

- Wilsonville Babe Ruth Association
- Wilsonville Theater Company
- West Linn/Wilsonville Soccer Association
- Wilsonville Men's Softball Association
- Wilsonville Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

Submitted by:
Joyce M. Campbell
Support Kids Recreation Arts & Parks Committee

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CLACKAMAS COUNTY

VOTERS' PAMPHLET

SPECIAL ELECTION September 19, 1995

BALLOTS MUST BE RETURNED TO:

**CLACKAMAS COUNTY ELECTIONS
825 PORTLAND AVE.
GLADSTONE, OR 97027-2195**

BY 8:00 P.M., SEPTEMBER 19, 1995

**JOHN KAUFFMAN
County Clerk**

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