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EXHIBIT A  
BALLOT TITLE

# Notice of Measure Election City

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250.275, 250.285, 254.095, 254.465

**Notice**

Date of Notice	Name of City or Cities City of Damascus	Date of Election November 3, 2015
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The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the city's voters.

**Final Ballot Title** Notice of receipt of ballot title has been published and the ballot title challenge process has been completed.

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

Approve changes to Section 45 of Damascus Charter

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

Shall Damascus approve changes to Section 45 of its Charter relating to spending limitations?

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

If this measure is approved, Section 45 of the Damascus Charter would be revised as follows:

- 1) increase in spending annually would be based on prior year's spending limit and would increase by the larger of two and one-half percent or a percentage increase in City population as calculated by Portland State University, adjusted for inflation. Currently, yearly increases are based on prior year's expenditures and increased by two and one-half percent.
- 2) A majority, rather than unanimous vote of City council, followed by voter approval, would be needed to increase the annual spending limit.
- 3) The measure would create exceptions from spending limitations for grants and pass-through funds, expenditures related to declared emergencies, systems development charge revenue, expenditures related to land use, development, inspection and building plan review, and master plans for infrastructure in the voter-approved comprehensive plan.
- 4) To re-establish a base, the spending limit for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 would not exceed the city's expenditures of fiscal year 2010-2011 reduced by ten percent.

**Explanatory Statement** 500 words that impartially explains the measure and its effect, if required attach to this form

If the county is producing a voters' pamphlet an explanatory statement must be submitted for any measure referred by the city governing body and if required by local ordinance, for any initiative or referendum.

Measure Type	County producing voters' pamphlet	Local ordinance requiring submission	Explanatory statement required
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Referral	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Initiative	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Referendum	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

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

→ 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.

<b>Name</b> Gene Green	<b>Title</b> City Manager Pro Tem	<b>Work Phone</b> (503) 658-8545
<b>Signature</b> Signature Redacted		<b>Date Signed</b> 8-26-15

### Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet

**Important! Please read all instructions before completing this form.** This form is to be used when filing a 'Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet' with your County Elections office. If a local government is located in more than one county, the county clerk of the county in which the city hall of the city or the administrative office of the local government is located shall be the filing officer for the 'Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet'.

#### Filing Information

Election:  Primary 20\_\_\_\_  General 20\_\_\_\_  Special November 3, 2015 Measure # 3-470

#### Ballot Title Caption

Approve changes to Section 45 of Damascus Charter

Name of Person responsible for content of 'Explanatory Statement' (as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):

Gene Green, City Manager

Name of Jurisdiction/Organization Person is authorized to represent (as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):

City of Damascus

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#### SIGNATURE

**Signature Redacted**

8-26-15

Signature of person responsible for content of 'Explanatory Statement'

Date

#### MEASURE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

See attached for 'Measure Explanatory Statement' (500 word/number MAX).

#### For Office Use only:

County: Clack

Signed?  Yes  No

'Measure Explanatory Statement' attached?

Yes  No

Intake Staff Initials:

Word Count (500 max):

Digital copy?  Yes  No

Review Staff Initials:

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MEASURE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

If this measure is approved, Section 45 of the Damascus Charter would be revised as follows (added language underlined, deleted language stricken):

Section 45. Spending Limitations. (a) The purpose of this section is to limit the rate of growth of total spending by the city. Total spending by the City shall not exceed the spending limit established in this section. Except as provided in subsection (b), ~~any increase in total spending by the city from one year to the next~~ the spending limit shall be no greater than the previous year's ~~expenditures~~ spending limit increased by the larger of:

- (1) two and one half percent; or
- (2) The percentage increase in the City population for the most recent previous year, based on figures published by Portland State University Population Research Center, added to the inflation rate for the most recent previous year, based on the most recent annual average CPI-W published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

(b) ~~The limit on total spending limit~~ limit established by this section for any year may be exceeded for that year provided the excess spending is approved by ~~an unanimous~~ a majority vote of the city council and then approved by a majority of electors voting on the issue in a regular May or November election.

(c) For purposes of this section:  
"Total spending" means all disbursements pursuant to all acts by the City Council authorizing the expenditure of public funds, except disbursements of:

- (1) Proceeds from the sale of bonds specifically approved by voters;
- (2) Money to refund any taxes, fees, fines or charges;
- (3) Proceeds from the sale of city property at real market value to non-governmental entities;
- (4) Money voluntarily donated to the city; ~~and~~
- (5) ~~Federal funds.~~ All grants and pass-through funds, not including any matching funds from the City;
- (6) Money used to protect life, limb and property during a state of emergency, when the state of emergency is declared by a Federal, State or County government;
- (7) Revenue from System Development Charges;
- (8) Spending of fees and charges collected for providing inspection services, land use permits, development plans and building plans review;
- (9) Spending on initial infrastructure master plans once the comprehensive plan is authorized by the voters.

(d) For the purpose of re-establishing a base spending limit, ~~total expenditures by the city in the fiscal year immediately following the adoption of this section,~~ the spending limit for fiscal year 2014-15 shall not exceed the city's expenditures of fiscal year 2010-2011 reduced by ten percent.