

Notice of Measure Election

City

3-521

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Name of City or Cities

West Linn

Date of Election

November 7, 2017

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.

Highway 43 road improvements in Hidden Springs Open Space

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

Shall the City use a portion of the Hidden Springs Open Space to construct road improvements to Highway 43?

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

If approved, this measure would allow the eastern portion of Hidden Springs Open Space to be used for road improvements, including required grading to install sidewalks and separated bike lanes along Highway 43. Highway 43 road improvements are proposed in this area to provide improved facilities that are safer for pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists.

The 2016 West Linn Transportation System Plan ("TSP") identified a need for bike and pedestrian routes that connect parks, schools, and retail. The TSP includes bicycle and pedestrian facilities along Highway 43 as high priorities. The City is putting this measure on the ballot because Section 46 of the City Charter requires West Linn voters to approve any use of City owned open space for a "nonauthorized use," including "construction of facilities that are not directly required for the use of the open space." If this measure passes, the City can impact a portion of the Hidden Springs Open Space along Highway 43 to provide sidewalks, separated bike lanes, and road improvements.

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.**Name**

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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

Date Signed

8-16-17

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 2017 Special 11/2017 (JD) Measure # 3-521

Ballot Title Caption

Highway 43 road improvements in Hidden Springs Open Space

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

Eileen Stein

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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: _____

Signed? Yes No

'Measure Explanatory Statement' attached?

Yes No

Intake Staff Initials:

Word Count (500 max):

Digital copy? Yes No

Review Staff Initials:

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

About this Measure

If approved, this measure would allow a portion of the Hidden Springs Open Space ("Open Space") along Highway 43 ("HWY43") to be used to complete improvements to HWY43, such as sidewalks and separated bike lanes (cycle tracks). Pedestrian and bike access is proposed in this area to provide safer facilities for pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists along HWY43. The City is placing this measure on the ballot because the Highway 43 Conceptual Design Plan ("HWY43 Plan") included in the TSP will result in the construction of road improvements that impact this location.

This is not a Funding Measure

This is not a funding measure for road, sidewalk and bike improvements along HWY43. Chapter XI, Section 46 of the West Linn Charter states that "[o]nly facilities directly necessary for the use of open space shall be considered authorized." Therefore, to comply with the Charter there must be a public vote to determine if the Open Space should be used to construct road improvements along HWY43. The HWY43 Plan has been approved, but the final design is not complete; so, the exact location of the road improvements has not been determined.

Why this Measure is Proposed

HWY43 is a road running through West Linn, connecting Oregon City at the south and Lake Oswego at the north. Currently, some areas have one vehicle travel lane in each direction without a center turn lane. There are sidewalks and bike lanes along parts of HWY43, but many areas lack these facilities. Crossing opportunities are also limited. The goal of the HWY43 project is to add improvements along HWY43 in accordance with the HWY43 Plan to better connect commercial areas to the rest of the community and provide safer transportation facilities for all users, while improving access to City parks and open space.

To construct road, sidewalk and bike improvements along HWY43 would take additional limited City-owned park and open space. If this measure passes, the City will use a portion of the Open Space to grade and construct these improvements.

Research & Background

The HWY43 Plan and the 2016 West Linn Transportation System Plan ("TSP") update resulted in a conceptual design that provides pedestrian and bike access along HWY43 so residents can safely travel by foot, bike, or vehicle. The TSP found that there is limited pedestrian and bike connectivity with significant gaps in the sidewalk network that results in residential areas that are not consistently connected to commercial centers, bus routes, schools, or other pedestrian destinations. The TSP identifies sidewalks and bike lanes along HWY43 as a high priority.

If This Measure is Approved

This measure is not a bond measure to fund road improvements. However, if this measure passes, road, sidewalk and bike facilities would be allowed in the eastern portion of the Hidden Springs Open Space. More information on the HWY43 Plan and the proposed locations of road, sidewalk and bike facilities are available online at: www.WestLinnOregon.gov/elections.