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ORS 251.355

CLACKAMAS COUNTY

MEASURE ARGUMENT FOR COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET

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Election Date: November 5th, 2013 Ballot Measure Number: 3-433

Argument in Favor       Argument in Opposition       Original Argument       Amended Argument

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Dear Citizens of Damascus,  
If we disincorporate we will have...

**NO** voice in the future of our community - **NONE!**

**NO** input on Metro's high density Stack-N-Pack apartment cities!

**NO** control in the multiple times more industrial lands than any city draft plan to date. Metro's 2013 Concept Map makes this abundantly clear. Your voice? - **Zero.**

**NO** current level of police protection to protect us without a significant tax increases if we disincorporate - effectively minimizing any perceived tax reduction.

**NO** voice in our wonderful community having any special consideration from the county and Metro? - none!

**NO** stopping the Damascus area as the next **INDUSTRIAL FRONTIER** as shown on Metro's 2013 Growth Map.

**NO** property rights protections, again no voice, and no city charter!

**NO** compensation for the regulatory taking of private property, just ask Boring, again no city charter!

**NO** voice on "increased taxes, charges or fees without your vote", again no city charter!

**NO** protections without being a city, there are reasons some citizens in Boring are considering incorporating as a city and being removed from Metro's jurisdiction.

**NO** city charter that will stop this nonsense!

**NO** significant tax savings! Add higher county tax rates for unincorporated areas, maintaining the same level of police services, the transfer of the city's \$5.5 million cash assets, the city's \$2 million fixed assets distributed outside of Damascus and of course the county's SDC charges on top of that! Any real savings? Minimal if any.

**NO** reasons why these same pro Metro tax and spend people want to disincorporate - other than to remove the best limited government property rights city charter in Oregon!

Please don't let nine years, tens of thousands of volunteer hours and millions of your tax dollars go to waste. And please don't let us succumb to Metro's high density Stack-N-Pack Portland Creep agenda that will ruin our community!

**NO** on 3-433, Stop the disincorporation of our city.

Steve Spinnett, Mayor, City of Damascus

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On the subject of preserving or abolishing our city and specifically the short and long term impact our vote will have on our beautiful city, our individual and communal land – property stewardship, financial and family management concerns – I sense my over riding appreciation for the value of a local voice. As cynical as it is, my vote will not be based primarily on what appears best for us individually and collectively but rather what is least bad or restrictive. My general premise is that the larger a jurisdictional domain, the less say each individual citizen has on impacting and voicing his/her opinions and any action requested. For example, if I have a specific concern about my tree farm management I will be listened to most attentively and respectfully by our own city council rather than addressing my views to the maze of Metro, Clackamas County, the state bureaucracy or up the line to the federal government. The revised comprehensive plan permits more latitude and discretion of land use, stewardship, and establishment of family legacy. Like most citizens of Damascus, I am a property owner who lives on my property. I appreciate the plan's safeguards against mismanagement and disregard of community interests. Laws, ordinances and codes are established to maintain our constitutional rights, protection from abusive and destructive behavior, and maintenance of social order. This is, in my strong opinion, best achieved locally through the jurisdictional management of our community, the city of Damascus, and not enveloped by a larger venue. I vote to keep Damascus intact. I vote NO to ballot number 3-433.

Lawrence Franks, M.D.

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Vote No

**Measure 3-433 Road to Nowhere**

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**Don't surrender your property rights!**

Right now our city hall does not have the right to enact land use regulations that diminish fair market value of your property without full monetary compensation to the property owner. This is a protection in our City Charter. Do you feel comfortable giving that up? **We don't!**

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**No caving in to Clackamas County and Metro's hunger for Industrial Land!**

The County and Metro are in dire need of heavy industrial lands. Upon disincorporation Damascus would be open to forced replacement of some residential neighborhoods into apartment and industrial sections.

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**Enough taxing and spending!**

The disincorporation proponents will boast about property taxes being lower by disincorporation. But up front, upon disincorporation, the County will require *our taxpayers to turn over \$7 million dollars of cash and property* to the County. Give millions now to save some in the future? There are no guarantees that Clackamas County and Metro will ignore the bounty of Damascus resources. Clackamas County and Metro are deep in debt and need a lot more money. Our City has the protection of a spending limit year to year. We have **NO DEBT** as a City.

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**No to giving up the quality of Police service!**

Right now we have a City Police Department. Our Budget Committee, with the approval of your city council, allocates the level of police protection the City is to receive for each coming fiscal year. Besides cost, we look at what is required for area coverage and response time. If disincorporation occurs, we will go to Clackamas unincorporated coverage and response time. And the County will increase property tax to cover that.

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**Vote NO on 3-433 Road to Nowhere**

Bill Wehr, Damascus City Councilor  
Yvonne K. Wehr  
Mel O'Brien, Damascus City Councilor  
Jane M. O'Brien

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## Five Good Reasons

Over the last few months several have taken the view that the only way forward for Damascus is to go backward, to kill it. They ask: Why should Damascus stay a City?

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There are five good reasons why disincorporation is not a good idea. (1) Lower taxes. The City Council is now considering the lowering of everyone's tax rate below the present \$3.10 per thousand. (2) Change the Charter. There is a growing consensus that the restrictive amendments to our City Charter, that hobble, not help, our City, should and can be modified. (3) Preserve much of our rural setting by protecting existing farms in our special Comprehensive Plan. Without a City, neighboring cities (Happy Valley; Gresham) will be free to annex substantial portions of Damascus, and they provide no rural atmosphere. (4) Protect the environment and natural resources as few other cities have done. Our Comprehensive Plan calls for every residential and business development to set aside perpetual open space; it fixes substantial setback from streams; and property owners so affected will be compensated equitably. (5) Control our own character and destiny. There will be special provision for home businesses and auxiliary housing. If the City disincorporates, outside, unknown forces of County and State government and Metro will determine our taxes, our density and zoning, our level of police protection, where new roads and parks will go, how and where development occurs, and whether we protect our natural resources. We will have no local government to appeal to.

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We are forming a special City not just for ourselves but for our children and grandchildren. A new Comprehensive Plan is within our grasp. Let's not throw away millions of dollars, and thousands of hours of toil after having once begun. Patience reminds us that it's always too early to give up, to quit.

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Citizens for Moving Damascus Forward. Richard Johnson, director; Keith Pugh, treasurer; James and Pat De Young; and others.

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Argument in opposition to 3-433  
by Daniel Phegley

All agree that disincorporation will transfer city assets of about \$5.2 Million in cash and another \$1.8 million in saleable property to a county struggling to pay for light rail. 30

As the NorthWest Connection pointed out in a september page one article, "It seems a funny way to save taxpayers money by first throwing away \$7 million."

"If saving taxpayers money is the goal of dis-incorporation why not first return at least some of the city cash to taxpayers? Or, why not simply lower the tax rate?" 57

These options are allowed by our City Charter.

But this measure will give all 7 plus million away. 8

Ironically the dis-incorporation movement claims the city spending limit is why we need to dis-incorporate. **This section of the charter specifically allows the city to return tax funds while neither the county or Metro have such a provision.**

All savings to be had in dis-incorporation depend on Metro and Clackamas County not raising taxes, while both are deeply in debt. 60

**The folks wanting to dis-incorporate Damascus have often claimed that the state will mandate a plan if we do not quickly pass one but, this has proven to be another false claim.** 32

For residents of Damascus, **your Home Rule City Charter is literally the only law guaranteeing that you get a voice in the taxation and planning process.** While you do not need to be a city to have Metro plan your future, only a city can stand up to their dictates. 56

Do we really want the folks that tried to make us pay for the Sellwood Bridge dictating our future?

Spending 7 million dollars to have Metro and Clackamas County do our planning, taxing and voting for us, certainly seems absurd.

Don't pay millions to have the county and Metro do your voting !

VOTE NO ON 3-433

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Should Damascus remain a city? I recommend local control where ever possible. My experience in Oregon has taught me that local government is superior to regional government. To this end I support keeping Damascus as a city. I believe the Founding Fathers would have agreed as well.

**“Here, sir, the people govern; here they act by their immediate representatives.”** – Alexander Hamilton

If you do not have local control from your own city, the homes in your area will be constantly in play to be annexed for revenue by other cities needing the “clients” to pay for their projects.

**“The rights of persons, and the rights of property, are the objects, for the protection of which Government was instituted.”** - James Madison

This quote is the defining reason why Damascus was incorporated in 2004. Damascus was incorporated to protect your property rights. It should be preserved for this same reason.

To dissolve the city, moving control to Clackamas County and Metro will not improve the result it will just move the meetings effecting Damascus' future to conference rooms at Clackamas County's Oregon City offices. The government that answers closest to the voters governs best.

**“My reading of history convinces me that most bad government results from too much government.”** - Thomas Jefferson

Cities exist for a reason. To retain Damascus as a city government, will mean less complexity and therefore less government in your life. You will have local control removing the several layers of Metro and Clackamas County.

Protect Local Control. Protect YOUR Property Rights. Retain Damascus!

I urge you to vote NO on 3-433.

I urge you to keep future decision making local in Damascus.

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Mark Fitz  
Damascus Resident  
Planning Commissioner, Volunteer

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Dear Damascus residents,

Your young city deserves to not only survive but to grow in ways you decide. I have heard many times in my political life about the struggle to keep hold of local control and self determination without big government interfering.

As one of your Clackamas County Commissioners, I feel obligated to share my concerns and my county perspective on what may be best for the City of Damascus.

In considering the impacts of dis-incorporation and my role in governing the county, I can say with confidence that a NO vote will best serve your community.

In stark contrast, surrendering your city with a YES vote on dis-incorporation, will result in county and regional interests guiding and likely determining the destiny of your community.

Although our county and regional governments strive to accommodate the needs of local communities, these county and regional interests often involve priorities which devalue or even conflict with local desires and plans. The most powerful way for your residents to protect and advocate for your local interests is to preserve and strengthen your city. Not abandon it.

The county alone is not sufficient to either support your local needs or replace what dis-incorporation will sacrifice.

As with all other Clackamas County cities, Damascus should continue to work toward a future your residents envision while partnering with county and regional bodies.

I am very aware of the many difficulties and turmoil you have faced while amending your city charter and crafting your comprehensive plans. But you are not alone in these municipal struggles. Most other cities continually face similar conflicts. These challenges have always been part of the municipal process and should not be used as a means to terminate any Clackamas County city.

Please vote NO on Dis-incorporation and keep your local control.

I believe you will come to realize that keeping your city is good for Damascus and the Clackamas County.

Tootie Smith, Clackamas County Commissioner

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Dear Damascus voters,

Save your city.

As a fellow Clackamas County resident, a proponent of local control and the Chair of Clackamas County, I feel obligated to provide my perspective on your upcoming vote on Dis-Incorporation.

I recognize Damascus has been working through a lengthy (sometimes contentious) process to determine the destiny of your new city. Disagreements on what that destiny should look like have delayed the adoption of a comprehensive Plan and the control it would provide.

However, I also recognize that many of the disagreements and delays will ultimately be shown to have been a healthy process of achieving the best comp plan possible.

It is important to get a plan approved by voters sooner, rather than later. I believe the current effort to amend the latest draft and take it directly to the voters will soon be successful and appreciated by most Damascus voters. By removing the most excessive and rigid provisions while providing ample property rights and environmental protections, Damascus will be able to grow with the flexibility, density, and pace that its residents most prefer. I believe your voters will give overwhelming approval to that plan soon.

This is no time to quit. By retaining your city charter (and quickly passing a plan) Damascus will preserve local control and enjoy the highest potential for becoming a healthy city.

A very concerning detriment to quitting is the projected loss of **"just over \$1 million from Damascus for law enforcement services"**, according to county staff.

As the Clackamas County Chair I recently voted to approve this year's Sheriff Office budget. I can easily anticipate great challenges to Damascus if Dis-Incorporation passes and area residents wish to restore their law enforcement levels to the protection they currently enjoy.

You want to preserve your self-determination and voice about growth.

Don't give it up because others say you have to!

Vote NO on Dis-Incorporation.  
Save your city!

John Ludlow, Clackamas County Chair

Signature Redacted



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# CLACKAMAS COUNTY MEASURE ARGUMENT FOR COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET

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Election Date: November 5, 2013 Ballot Measure Number: 3-433

Argument in Favor     Argument in Opposition     Original Argument     Amended Argument

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Date Signed

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The P.O.L.I.C.E PAC and Clackamas County Sheriff Craig Roberts urge you to vote "NO" on Measure 3-433, in order to preserve the enhanced level of police protection currently provided to the City of Damascus.

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Since becoming an incorporated city, Damascus has contracted with the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office to provide law enforcement services for the community, much like Wilsonville and Happy Valley. This arrangement has made it possible for the sheriff's office to assign four and a half deputies to Damascus full time.

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They drive City of Damascus patrol cars and wearing City of Damascus uniforms, but what matters most is the relationships that these police officers build with the community. Working every day in Damascus, they get to know the neighborhoods and the local businesses. They know who belongs in the community, and when a stranger is on the prowl.

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These personal connections are just as important as the number of deputies who are dedicated to the city, but the citizens of Damascus will lose both if Measure 3-433 passes on November 5.

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Regardless of the outcome, Sheriff Craig Roberts and the members of the Clackamas County Peace Officers' Association are committed to providing the highest level of protection possible to the local community. However, if Damascus once again becomes unincorporated county land, it will only receive a basic level of patrol services from deputies assigned to cover a much larger territory.

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So that you can continue to receive a high level of law enforcement from dedicated police officers who know the community, now and in the future, vote "NO" on Measure 3-433.

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CLACKAMAS COUNTY

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Mary Olson **Signature Redacted** 9/9/13  
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# MEASURE ARGUMENT FOR COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET

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Dear Damascus Voters,

As elected city councilors and citizens of Clackamas County, we have observed contentious issues which have, on occasion, seemed insurmountable. Even when we differ on issues, collectively our city council and our citizens want what is best for our community. Yes, politics can be "messy," but persistence moves us through some issues, while others require re-examination of underlying goals and priorities.

Although difficult at times, the city government structure provides your community with the benefit of self-determination. It is hard to imagine having the County or Metro resolving differences and guiding your community if Damascus were to dis-incorporate.

It is not our intention to interfere, but rather to simply offer our experience as a reminder that you are not alone in having internal disagreements. A certain amount of turmoil is not unusual during a city's growth cycle.

Other cities, both in Clackamas County and elsewhere, have faced obstacles to smooth growth and progress. We are confident that essentially all of those cities would join us in encouraging Damascus to stay the course.

Preserve your city and its immense potential. Preserve your local control.

The city of Damascus is important to the future of Clackamas County.

Please vote NO on dis-incorporation.

Sincerely,

Karen Bowerman – City Councilor, Lake Oswego

Mary Olson – Former City Councilor, Lake Oswego

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