

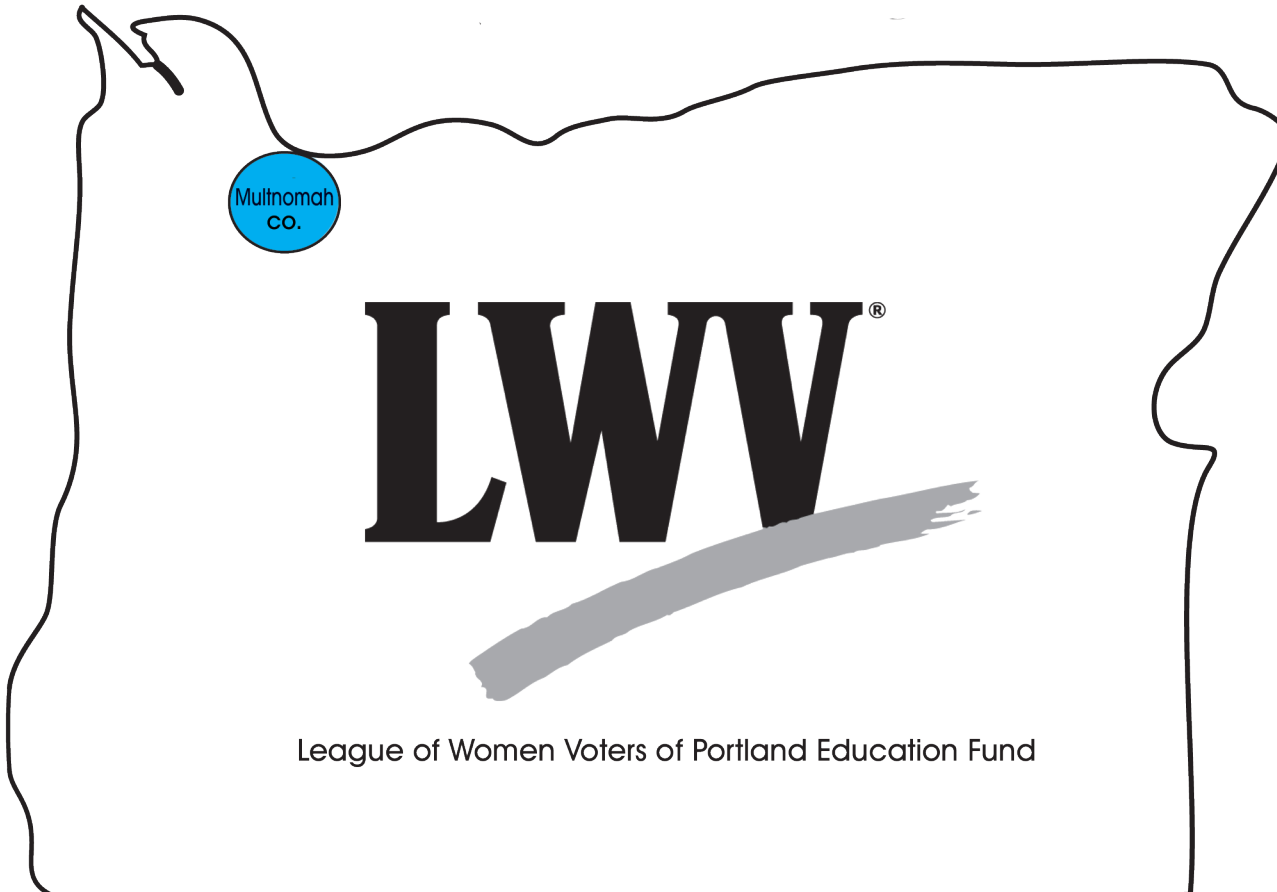
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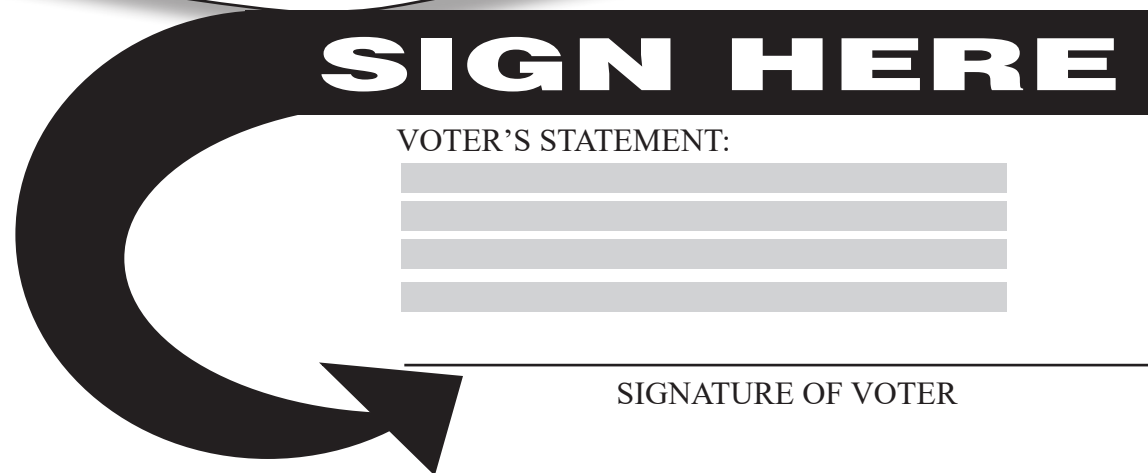
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May 21, 2024 is election day, the last day to DROP OFF your ballot at an official drop-off site by 8:00 PM.

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Voters may return their ballots by mail or in person at an official drop site. Your ballot must be postmarked by Election Day, May 21, to be counted. Alternatively, voters should use one of the official drop sites, which will be available until 8:00 PM on Election Day, **May 21, 2024.**



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Flood Bonds Ballot Measure 26-243

Bonds to upgrade levees, floodwalls, water pumps, natural floodplain restoration

QUESTION: *Shall Flood Safety District issue bonds to upgrade infrastructure, protect water quality, communities, businesses, environment from flooding and require independent oversight of the bonds?*

FINANCIAL IMPACT: *The measure authorizes up to \$150,000,000 of general obligation bonds for flood control. The estimated annual tax rate for bonds would be 11 cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. The owner of a home with an assessed valuation of \$246,712, which is the average assessed value of a home in the District, would pay \$26.27 a year.*

Note: Assessed value (AV) is the value used to calculate property tax. It is shown on the property tax statement. It is NOT the same as real market value which is the market price of the home. See explanation of "Property Taxes, Compression & Ballot Measures" on the LWVPDX website at <https://lwvpdx.org/vote/property-taxes-compression-ballot-measures/>.

If the bonds are approved, the tax will be included in property taxes that are not subject to the limits of Section 11 and 11b of Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

PROBABLE RESULTS OF A YES VOTE

If the levy passes, the funds will be used to improve flood safety along the Columbia River by repairing and improving old facilities and restoring natural floodplains. The funds can be used as a "local match" to access federal flood control dollars.

PROBABLE RESULTS OF A NO VOTE

If the levy fails, funds will not be available to update and repair flood control facilities that are underbuilt for today's flood threats and the increased risks from climate change; increased flood insurance costs may force homeowners and businesses to relocate.

BACKGROUND

About 13,000 acres of Multnomah County is in a natural flood plain, protected by 27 miles of levees, flood walls, drains, pumping stations, and wetlands. The floodplain includes residential areas, Portland International Airport, and the largest industrial employment area in Oregon.

The Urban Flood Safety and Water Quality Management District was created by the Oregon legislature in 2019 to replace several smaller districts and manage the flood control system as a whole. This is the new district's first request for issuance of bonds.

SUMMARY

Deteriorating infrastructure has increased the risks of severe flooding along the Columbia River, which could release toxic chemicals, raw sewage, and other hazardous materials into rivers and streams and onto public and private property. The flood control system, much of which is over 100 years old, no longer meets federal safety and resilience standards, which means that property owners could face increases in flood insurance costs, or difficulty in obtaining mortgages

Levy funds would be used in part to raise and repair sections of levees and floodwalls, upgrade

pumping stations to increase capacity and provide back-up power in case of electricity failure. Projects would be designed to improve energy efficiency, climate resilience, and fish and wildlife habitat.

A project would also need to address the cultural history of the flood plain and equity issues.

Twenty-seven million dollars would be spent on natural protection from flooding through floodplain restoration and resilience projects to slow and store floodwater and improve flood safety outcomes.

Oversight of these bonds will come from an independent community oversight committee via annual reports and from an independent public accounting firm that will perform annual audits. An elected board of directors will oversee projects funded by these bonds, including managing annual budgets.

The owner of a home assessed at \$246,712 would pay approximately \$2.19 per month, or \$26.27 annually. This is the average assessed home value in the district, according to the Multnomah County Assessor.



SUPPORTERS SAY

- The bond funds are needed to reduce serious flood hazards that endanger important parts of our community.
- Much of the flood control system is over 100 years old and is inadequate to protect the extensive development that has occurred over that time.
- Climate change has also increased the number of extreme weather events, and therefore, the risks.



OPPONENTS SAY

As of April 2, 2024, there was no known public opposition to this measure.

**Metro Bond
Ballot Measure
26-244**

Bonds to protect animal health; provide conservation, education; increase sustainability

QUESTION: *Shall Zoo protect animal health; save water, energy; provide conservation, youth education; issue bonds estimated not to increase tax rate?*

FINANCIAL IMPACT: *The measure is a renewal of a previous bond passed in 2008. It is not estimated to increase tax rates. The estimated property tax rate from this bond is about 8.5 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value to the tax bills of people living in Multnomah, Washington and Clackamas counties. In total, the measure could raise \$380 million.*

Note: Assessed value (AV) is the value used to calculate property tax. It is shown on the property tax statement. It is NOT the same as real market value (RMV), which is the market price of the home.

**PROBABLE RESULTS OF A
YES VOTE**

If the measure is passed, it would fund a second phase of continued improvements to the zoo, focused on areas including animal well-being, inspiring educational experiences, and infrastructure health. Some proposed investments include replacing outdated habitats for sea otters, penguins, giraffes and other species; increasing sustainability by reducing energy and water consumption; and improving accessibility for visitors through updates to key areas such as the zoo entry and pathways.

**PROBABLE RESULTS OF A
NO VOTE**

Without the additional funds provided by the bond, the Oregon Zoo would be unable to carry out the proposed projects listed in "Probable Results of a Yes Vote," above. A property owner would no longer pay a portion of the taxpayer's property bond assessment for this purpose.

BACKGROUND

The Oregon Zoo was founded in 1888, and moved to its current location on the south end of Washington Park in 1959. An Oregon Zoo bond measure was first on the ballot in November 2008, and it was approved by nearly 60 percent of voters. In total, that measure raised \$125 million to be spent on providing more space and improving the habitats of elephants, polar bears, chimpanzees, and other animals.

The 2008 bond resulted in improvements to about 40 percent of the zoo's campus, with a strong track record of completing project plans on time and on budget. The Oregon Zoo Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee, in its 2020 annual report, outlined successes in the bond's target areas. The report noted a focus on opportunities for minority-owned and women-owned enterprises. In total, \$4.1 million in construction projects went to minority-owned businesses, \$4.1 million to women-owned businesses, and \$7 million to emerging small businesses.

The zoo is working on outlining all its priorities in a 20-year campus plan. The Metro Council approved the plan's concepts in October 2023. After a review by the City of Portland, the plan will be presented to the Metro Council for final approval. This is expected to occur in the summer of 2024.

Bond investments are limited to physical infrastructure, such as buildings, facilities, pathways, plazas and significant landscaping. They cannot be used to support daily operations or staffing.

SUMMARY

The following priorities will guide Phase 2 bond investments:

- **Animal well-being:** Enhance the lives of animals in the Zoo's care.
- **Inspiring educational experiences:** Connecting community to the wonders of wildlife.
- **Infrastructure health:** Replace aging and/or failing infrastructure.
- **Risk and readiness:** High return on investment and project value.
- **Strategic alignment:** Alignment with conservation, financial sustainability, and staff experience.
- **Community oversight:** Inclusion of a community oversight committee.

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Bonds to protect animal health; provide conservation, education; increase sustainability

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SUPPORTERS SAY

- Over one million visitors come to the Oregon Zoo each year, but revenue from ticket sales and memberships aren't enough to fund major improvements to infrastructure.
- The Zoo's campus plan would guide the allocation of revenue from the proposed bond, including modernizing outdated habitats, supporting its conservation education programs, and improving accessibility. There would be no increase in current tax rates.
- The campus plan was created after significant community engagement with groups including visitors, community organizations, staff, and experts in animal care and well-being. It was also validated with input from landscape architects, civil engineers, structural engineers, geotechnical engineers, mechanical/electrical plumbing engineers, sustainability consultants, cost estimators and community engagement consultants.
- The bond would advance equity through a commitment to increase access to the zoo for people of color and other historically marginalized people. In addition to discounted tickets and other programs to ensure that more visitors are able to access the zoo, the bond would fund expanded contracting opportunities for firms led by people of color.



OPPONENTS SAY

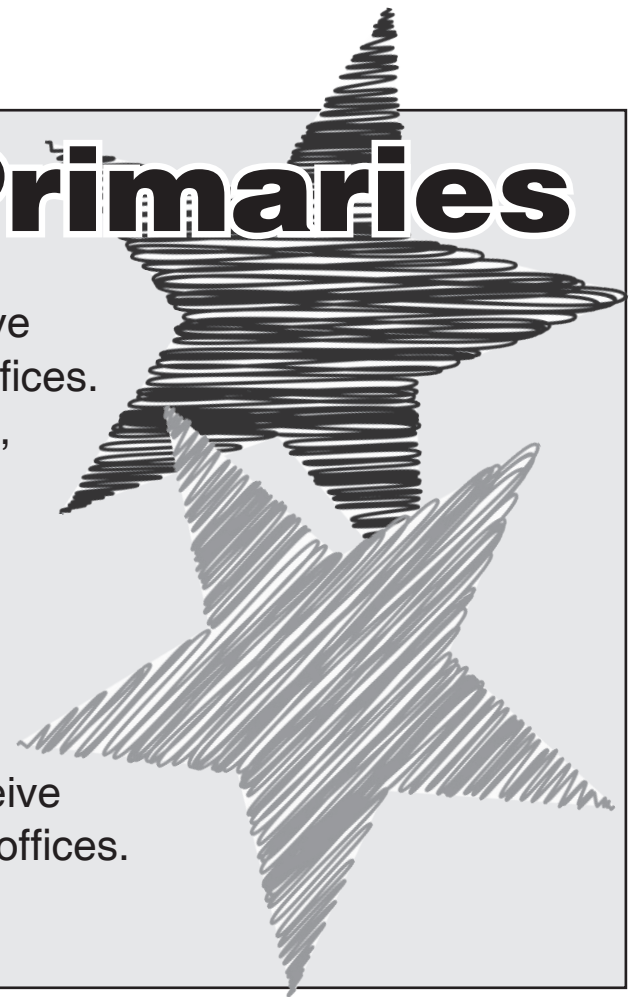
- The concept of a zoo is wrong – it is a prison for wild animals. Access to the internet, movies, and videos gives people the ability to view wild animals in their natural settings. The days of circuses and zoos are ebbing. Some animals are mistreated.
- The Zoo's current 640-acre campus could be used for other constructive purposes. Our limited bonding capacity should be conserved for transformative infrastructure investments, such as high-speed rail.
- Previous bond funds provided to the Zoo have been mismanaged.
- The Zoo's attendance has been declining, the Zoo's costs have increased, and the Zoo will make future requests for additional funding.

Closed and Open Primaries

The Democrat and Republican parties in Oregon have chosen to have a closed Primary for nominating their party candidates for partisan offices. To vote for Democratic or Republican candidates in the May Primary, you must register with one of the parties by the registration deadline.

Voters registered as non-affiliated, or with a minor party, will receive a May Primary ballot with non-partisan offices and ballot measures.

Major political parties choose their candidates in the May Primary. In the November 2024 General Election all registered voters will receive a ballot with all of the nominated candidates as well as non-partisan offices.



**City of Portland
Ballot Measure
26-245**

Renew Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax for Street Repair, Maintenance, Safety

QUESTION: *Shall Portland renew a four-year, 10 cents per gallon fuel tax for maintenance (paving, potholes) and safety (crossings, lighting, sidewalks)?*

FINANCIAL IMPACT: *The tax is estimated to raise \$70.5 million over four years, beginning January 1, 2025. Positive financial impacts include performing earlier preventive maintenance, avoiding more costly future repair costs. Long-standing safety needs will reduce fatalities and injuries. New contracts will allow Portland to meet equity contracting goals. The Oregon Dept. of Transportation (ODOT) will be a partner in the collection of the fees.*

**PROBABLE RESULTS OF A
YES VOTE**

Portland's 10 cents per gallon fuel tax will be renewed for another four years (January 2025 through the end of December 2029).

**PROBABLE RESULTS OF A
NO VOTE**

Portland's 10 cents per gallon fuel tax will end on Dec. 31, 2024. Basic transportation improvements the tax would have funded will not be made by means of that tax.

BACKGROUND

In 2016 (56% in support) and, again, in 2020 (77% in support), Portland voters approved a 10-cent-per-gallon fuel tax. The tax has been used to repair and maintain streets and to make safety improvements. Such improvements include street repair, safe routes to schools, sidewalk completion, high crash corridor safety improvements, reducing bicycle/car conflicts, and intersection safety improvements. Spending from the program has been overseen by the Fixing Our Streets Oversight Committee, which is a Portland citizen oversight committee.

SUMMARY

The tax raises funds for basic improvement of Portland city streets. The measure was placed on the ballot by the City of Portland. Accountability is provided by a citizens' oversight committee. The Portland Bureau of Transportation estimates the tax, if renewed, will cost average Portland drivers with gas-powered vehicles about \$2.50 per month.



SUPPORTERS SAY

- Street repair and maintenance will be allocated \$23.5 million for paving, with programs focused on busy and neighborhood streets.
- Fund allocation for safety measures is suggested at \$9 million for safety on busy streets, \$6 million for safety on neighborhood streets, \$6 million for safe routes to school projects and \$2.5 million for additional safety measures.
- Community street services include \$17 million for potholes, gravel streets, pavement base repair, signal and street light maintenance and \$6.5 million for basic safety improvements, including intersection safety improvements and traffic calming.
- Without this tax, listed projects may be delayed or never completed.



OPPONENTS SAY

- There is a lack of community involvement in determining the projects that are funded by the tax.
- Some of the projects do not benefit drivers because a portion of the fund is for enhancing bike lanes.
- Electric car owners do not contribute to the fund.
- Oregonians have the fifth highest gas prices among all states.

**Portland
Public Schools
Ballot Measure
26-246**

Levy Renewal to Maintain Teachers and Classroom Support Staff

QUESTION: *Shall the Portland Public School (PPS) District maintain teachers, classroom support staff; renew levy of \$1.99 per \$1,000 assessed value for five years beginning 2025? This measure renews current local option taxes.*

FINANCIAL IMPACT: *Levy rate remains \$1.99 per \$1,000 assessed property value, the same as the 2019 levy. The proposed levy will raise an estimated \$101.5 million in 2025-2026; \$103.0 million in 2026-2027; \$106.0 million in 2027-2028; \$109.3 million in 2028-2029; and \$112.5 million in 2029-30. For a home at the current average assessed value of \$275,706, the levy cost is \$45.72 per month, or \$548.65 per year.*

Note: Assessed value (AV) is the value used to calculate property tax. It is shown on the property tax statement. It is NOT the same as real market value (RMV), which is the market price of the home. See explanation of "Property Taxes, Compression & Ballot Measures" on the LWVPDX website at <https://lwvpdx.org/vote/property-taxes-compression-ballot-measures/>.

**PROBABLE RESULTS OF A
YES VOTE**

If this measure passes, Portland Public Schools would be able to continue funding the teaching positions that have been in place since the current five-year period began in 2020. The number of positions funded each year is expected to be 660 teaching and classroom staff positions during the next five years. The rate per \$1,000 of a property's assessed value would remain the same at \$1.99.

**PROBABLE RESULTS OF A
NO VOTE**

If this levy is rejected by voters, PPS could lose some or all of the 660 positions expected to be funded by the levy. If the levy fails, the rate of \$1.99 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation will no longer be charged to property owners.

BACKGROUND

PPS has one of the largest annual budgets of any Multnomah County local government entity. Its last adopted budget (2023-2024) was \$2.17 billion. This levy would be a renewal of an existing five-year local option levy which provides funding annually for approximately 660 teaching and classroom support positions in the Portland Public Schools. The previous levies were passed in 2019 (by 77 percent of the voters), 2014 (72 percent), and 2011 (58 percent). The levy rate has not been increased since at least 2011.

The Community Budget Review Committee, designated by the PPS board as the community body to perform the levy oversight function, found that all levy funds were being spent as approved by voters as of fiscal year 2022-2023. That is, the added teaching positions were helping maintain and lower class sizes that permit more individual attention for students, helping to support a well-rounded program, with enrichments for elementary and middle grades and electives in varied interest areas and disciplines for high school students, and providing funding equivalent to at least the 851 teaching positions initially projected.

According to the PPS District Notice of Measure Election for this levy, PPS currently serves over 44,000 students in 81 schools and other programs throughout the neighborhoods of Portland. PPS's graduation rate of 84.5% remains above the statewide average, and has risen 26 percentage points since 2010. PPS is subject to regular independent financial and performance audits to monitor effective use of taxpayer resources.

- Continued investments are needed in our schools to continue to build career and technical programs, prevent class-size increases, and better support struggling students, especially coming out of the pandemic.
- The proposed levy renewal:
- Funds teachers at every school in the District
- Supports a well-rounded education, with enrichments for elementary and middle grades, and electives in varied interest areas for high school students.
- Helps support career, technical, science, technology, engineering, and math programs, including computer science education, so students can graduate with the skills necessary to be career or college ready.

- Provides academic supports, such as reading specialists for students working to recover from learning loss.
- The levy is projected to fund teaching positions / classroom supports at every school in the district, approximately 660 positions annually over five years—nearly one-fifth of all teaching positions in the district.
- Allows funding for other classroom support positions
- The levy revenue could also fund other classroom support positions across the District, such as educational assistants, reading specialists, and special education certified personnel to help identify and support students with mental or behavioral health issues, academic issues, or other needs.
- Continues to provide fiscal accountability and independent oversight

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SUMMARY

- This local option requires

independent community oversight so that tax dollars are used only for purposes approved by local voters; funds will be placed in a separate account to ensure their correct use and accurate reporting; no funds from this local option levy will be used for district administration.

Portland Public Schools' local option levy was approved by voters in 2019 to provide funding for schools over five years. The renewed levy will provide an estimated \$101.5 million in the first year, and is projected to fund approximately 660 teachers and classroom support staff annually over five years.

This renewed local option levy would fund teaching and other positions to:

- Support a well-rounded education, including career and technical programs and enrichments and electives, so students graduate with the skills they need to be career or college ready.
- Provide classroom supports, such as educational assistants and reading specialists for students struggling with academic or mental/behavioral health issues.
- Help maintain class sizes and prevent significant increases across the district.



SUPPORTERS SAY

- In serving the students of Portland, the district continuously strives to be fiscally responsible with taxpayer resources. Through many years of volatile budgets and the pandemic, school district leaders have worked to preserve classroom education and class sizes.
- PPS has advocated for a greater level of state investment by the Legislature and worked to ensure that dollars are spent well and focused on the classroom.
- The levy rate has not been increased since 2011.
- Losing nearly 20 percent of our educators would have a devastating effect on our kids.



OPPONENTS SAY

- PPS enrollment is down, and the number of PPS employees has risen.
- The graduation rate is inflated, as the state has lowered graduation requirements.
- Portland's high taxes are already driving taxpayers/revenue out of the county.
- Most PPS teachers will be making more than \$100,000 a year.

**City of Gresham
Ballot Measure**

26-247

Five-year operating levy, retain and hire firefighters and police officers

QUESTION: *Shall Gresham improve fire, police, and public safety responsiveness with a five-year levy, \$1.35/\$1,000 assessed value, beginning July 1, 2024?*

FINANCIAL IMPACT: *The average cost of the levy on a Gresham home would be \$25.65 per month (\$307.80/year) based on an average assessed, not market, residence value of \$228,000, beginning July 1, 2024.*

Note: Assessed value (AV) is the value used to calculate property tax. It is shown on the property tax statement. It is NOT the same as real market value (RMV), which is the market price of the home. See explanation of "Property Taxes, Compression & Ballot Measures" on the LWVPDX website at <https://lwvpdx.org/vote/property-taxes-compression-ballot-measures/>.

**PROBABLE RESULTS OF A
YES VOTE**

If the levy passes, funding will be used for staff and services in the following departments: police and fire. This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

**PROBABLE RESULTS OF A
NO VOTE**

If the levy fails, property owners' tax rates will not change.

BACKGROUND

According to information provided by the City of Gresham in proposing this levy:

To meet the growing need and demand for additional fire and police services and to better serve and protect all Gresham residents, the City Council is asking voters to support a dedicated five-year levy to fund 13 new firefighters and 9 new police officers. If passed, voters will decide in five years whether or not to renew it.

Gresham's population has grown 19% over the past twenty years, while daily minimum firefighter staffing only increased 9%. Gresham has one fewer sworn police officer than twenty years ago.

Over the same time, calls for fire service have increased 69% and shootings in Gresham have spiked 400% in recent years. The combination of rising need and fewer personnel means slower emergency response times and fewer patrol officers to prevent crimes.

The current \$15 per month Police, Fire and Parks fee only funds 9% of public safety services and is not enough to meet the growing demand for services. A dedicated levy will enhance fire and police protection and responsiveness. The levy will not replace the existing fee.

An independent taxpayer committee will ensure oversight, accountability, and annual audits. Levy revenue will be placed in a dedicated and protected account overseen by a 7-member committee of Gresham residents. The committee will make annual reports to the City Council and levy spending will be audited each year.

A dedicated levy will mean more neighborhood patrols to prevent, engage, and investigate drug related crimes and property and violent crimes that threaten community safety.

A similar proposed levy was defeated by a 51 percent "No" vote (476 votes) in May 2023 (Measure 26-239).

SUMMARY

This levy will retain existing positions, fund 13 new firefighters and 9 new police officers. By law, the levy can only be used for police and fire services.

Estimated revenue from levy if adopted:

\$12,100,000 in 2024/25

\$12,450,000 in 2025/26

\$12,800,000 in 2026/27

\$13,200,000 in 2027/28

\$13,600,000 in 2028/29

Five-year total: \$64,150,000



SUPPORTERS SAY

- The demands on our first responders have increased as our community's needs have increased. It is imperative that we begin to address our financial challenges and ensure our ability to keep our community safe.
- Even while higher taxes aren't always welcome by property owners, spending money on public safety is pretty much as fundamental as it gets.



OPPONENTS SAY

As of April 2, 2024, there was no known public opposition to this measure.

State Senator - Democrat

Term: 4 Years
Salary: \$32,839

Would you support or oppose the creation of an independent redistricting commission to redraw state and congressional election districts?
Please explain your answer.

Would you support lowering the legislature's quorum requirement to 50% of its members?
Why or why not?

What changes, if any, would you support in the state legislature to address the issue of climate change?

District 21

Kathleen Taylor

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 22

Lew Frederick

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 23

Khanh Pham

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 25

Chris Gorsek

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

State Senator - Republican

Term: 4 Years
Salary: \$32,839

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Would you support lowering the legislature's quorum requirement to 50% of its members?
Why or why not?

What changes, if any, would you support in the state legislature to address the issue of climate change?

District 22

Michael Saperstein

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 25

Raymond E Love

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

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State Representative - Democrat

Term: 2 Years
Salary: \$32,839

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Please explain your answer.

Would you support lowering the legislature's quorum requirement to 50% of its members?
Why or why not?

District 28

Dacia Grayber

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 33



Brian Duty
briandutyfororegon.com

I am proud to be the climate candidate in this race with official endorsements from the Oregon League of Conservation Voters and The Street Trust Action Fund. I support an environmental justice approach to climate change, which combines a rapid transition away from fossil fuels with policies that uplift communities most impacted by the climate crisis and other systemic inequities. We need a green infrastructure revolution, bringing housing, transportation, and industry to net carbon neutrality, while also providing hundreds of thousands of good-paying, union jobs. We must sufficiently fund our natural resource agencies, invest in wildfire prevention and mitigation, pass robust clean water policies, and rapidly phase out single-use plastics.

Gerrymandering is wrong. Period. I support the implementation of independent redistricting commissions because no political party should be able to manipulate the outcome of our elections. It is deeply inappropriate to have elected officials drawing their own districts. An independent commission would take that power away from these partisan officials and give it to neutral actors who can make unbiased decisions. Unfortunately, ending gerrymandering alone will not fix our democracy. We must also protect voting rights, especially for BIPOC communities, restore voting rights to disenfranchised individuals, pass automatic voter registration, protect mail-in voting, and pass robust campaign finance reform legislation.

Democracy operates on the principle of majority rule, not minority rule. The reality of democracy is that you win votes and you lose votes, but you take a principled stand and continue fighting for what you believe in. Walkouts, caused by Oregon's abnormal quorum requirement, are inherently undemocratic because they allow a minority to halt legislation from even being considered by the legislature. I reject walkouts by either party and would not participate in them as a representative. Oregon should join the vast majority of other states by establishing a simple majority (50% + 1) for quorum.

Pete M Grabiell

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Shannon Jones Isadore

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 42

Rob Nosse

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 43

Tawna Sanchez

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 44

Christine E Nair

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Travis Nelson

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

State Representative - Democrat - *continued*

Term: 2 Years
Salary: \$32,839

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Please explain your answer.

Would you support lowering the legislature's quorum requirement to 50% of its members?
Why or why not?

District 45

Thuy Tran

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 46



Willy Chotzen
chotzenfororegon.com

I'm running for the State House to ensure we address climate change urgently and equitably. As a father to two young children, I want my kids (and all of our kids and grandkids) to grow up on a safe and healthy planet. We must act quickly to combat climate change.

I believe the state should take a multifaceted approach to addressing climate change, including:
Strengthening conservation efforts
Investing in multi-modal transportation infrastructure
Ensuring an equitable transition to renewable energy

We are already feeling the impacts of a changing climate, from wildfires ravaging our forests to unpredictable weather patterns affecting our agriculture and communities. To combat this crisis, we need courageous and inclusive leadership.

I wholeheartedly support this idea. Our democracy thrives when every voice is heard and every vote counts, but partisan gerrymandering undermines these principles by allowing politicians to manipulate district boundaries for their own political gain.

An independent commission would help ensure fair and impartial district maps that accurately represent the diverse voices and interests of Oregonians. Additionally, placing this process in the hands of a commission composed of nonpartisan experts and community members would help restore the trust in our electoral system. To protect the integrity of our democracy and prevent the kind of partisan manipulation that leads to uncompetitive districts and disenfranchisement of voters, we must act now

I support lowering the state legislature's quorum requirement to 50% of its members. We deserve a legislature that works for the people. Recent legislative walkouts have highlighted the need for reform to ensure that our democratic processes are not disrupted by political gamesmanship. We need to pass a simple majority quorum so that a small fraction of legislators can't hold our government hostage. Lowering the quorum requirement would help prevent future gridlock and ensure that the business of the people can proceed even in the face of partisan obstructionism.

Mary Lou Hennrich

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 47

Andrea Valderrama

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 48

Hoa H Nguyen

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Elizabeth A Petersen

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

State Representative - Democrat - *continued*

Term: 2 Years
Salary: \$32,839

What changes, if any, would you support in the state legislature to address the issue of climate change?

Would you support or oppose the creation of an independent redistricting commission to redraw state and congressional election districts?
Please explain your answer.

Would you support lowering the legislature's quorum requirement to 50% of its members?
Why or why not?

District 49



Zach Hudson
electzachhudson.com

There are many things we can do to combat climate change. I would support upgrading building codes, increasing electric vehicle infrastructure and incentives, supporting renewable energy projects, expanding public transportation and phasing out fossil fuels.

I would support it so long as it was well planned. It's very hard to design something to be nonpartisan and independent. How would the commission be selected, and how would that selection itself be unbiased? There is a lot to consider.

Absolutely. Most other states only require 50% of a legislative body to be present to hold a vote. Oregon's 2/3 quorum requirement allows a minority of the legislature to block a vote whenever they don't like a bill. That's not majority rule.

District 50

Ricki Ruiz

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

State Representative - Republican

Term: 2 Years
Salary: \$32,839

Would you support or oppose the creation of an independent redistricting commission to redraw state and congressional election districts?
Please explain your answer.

Would you support lowering the legislature's quorum requirement to 50% of its members?
Why or why not?

What changes, if any, would you support in the state legislature to address the issue of climate change?

District 28

Charles (Chick) Mengis

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 33

Stan Baumhofer

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 43

Tim LeMaster

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 48

John Masterman

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Andrew Morrison

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 49

Terry A Tipsord

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 50

Paul Drechsler

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 52

Jeff Helfrich

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Judge of the Circuit Court, 4th District

Term: 6 Years
Salary: \$158,556

Explain your view of the relative roles of punishment, deterrence, and rehabilitation in sentences for conviction of offenses affecting the homeless.

How would you suggest voters evaluate Circuit Court candidates?

When, if ever, is it appropriate for a court to punish a defendant convicted of a crime of domestic violence by prohibiting possession or use of a gun?

Position 4

Shelley D Russell

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Position 7

Andrew M Lavin

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Position 10

Katherine von Ter Stegge

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Position 15

Christopher A Ramras

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Position 16



Michael J Riedel

The role of a judge is to serve our community by ensuring access to justice and conducting fair and impartial proceedings consistent with the law and unique facts of each matter. It's the civic responsibility of a judge to be fair, humble, a good listener and empathetic. A judge should apply a common-sense interpretation of the law in their decision-making while safeguarding fairness, equity and justice for all parties.

Experience and background are important considerations. This position is assigned to family and juvenile court. I have nearly 20 years of courtroom experience between family law and service as a Deputy District Attorney, including juvenile matters. For the past 17 months, I've had the honor of serving Multnomah County as a full-time Circuit Judge Pro Tem. Additionally, my personal background has prepared me to serve with fairness and compassion. Coming from an economically difficult childhood, working alongside my hearing-impaired father as a janitor at a young age and being the first in my family to attend college have all instilled in me the importance of empathy, respect, patience, listening and explaining decisions in this role.

There is always room for growth and improvement in the court's service to the community. Continued work increasing access to justice and implementing the concepts of procedural justice are essential in providing high quality service to the public.

Position 20

Brian B Francesconi

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Position 21

Rima Ghandour

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

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Position 23



Melvin Oden-Orr

I believe every person deserves to be treated with respect as a human being, regardless of their housing status.

Candidate did not answer question.

Treatment courts have a valuable role to play in reducing recidivism.

Position 27

Patricia L McGuire

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Position 28

Judith H Matarazzo

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Position 29

Christine A Martin

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Position 30

Ben N Souede

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Position 31

Cheryl Albrecht

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Position 32

Xiomara Y Torres

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Position 33

Pamela L Haan

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Metro Councilor

Term: 4 Years
Salary: \$52,847

What will be your policy priorities if elected, and why?

What is your reaction to Metro's 2023 Regional Transportation Plan?

What role do you think Multnomah County should play in addressing the supply of housing in the County? Please explain your answer.

District 3

Gerritt Rosenthal

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 5

Mary Nolan

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

District 6

Duncan Hwang

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Multnomah County Commissioner

Term: 4 Years
Salary: \$118,968

What will be your policy priorities if elected, and why?

Are you satisfied with the board's current handling of the 24-hour mental health crisis and sobering center? If not, what changes would you support? Please explain your answer.

What role do you think Multnomah County should play in addressing the supply of housing in the County? Please explain your answer.

District 1



Kevin Fitts
vote4kevinfitts.com

Multnomah County is facing multiple, very visible crises at the intersection of mental health, addiction and homelessness. My policy priorities are mental health, addiction and housing. My record shows tangible results in driving progress on these issues. I'm running for County Commissioner because I have the work experience and productive working relationships with key stakeholders to revitalize the energy among leadership and their community partnerships. As a person with lived experience of these challenges myself, I will bring a fresh perspective to supplement my deep policy knowledge. Additionally, as a community builder at heart, I will work tirelessly to forge a holistic, vibrant, economically sustainable future for Multnomah County.

Overall, I have been unsatisfied with the delays caused by lack of collaboration among key stakeholders. It's good to see progress recently, though. The recent action of sharing the draft plan with the press before the plan is finalized, may encourage faster stakeholder input. The Facilitator Operator Procurement and Community Impact Survey sections of the draft plan shared publicly are still so vague, though-- those elements are really important. I support finetuning center performance measures. Soliciting more input on performance measures from consumers with lived experience of withdrawal recovery could be useful. Performance measures about staff safety solicited from unions could also be added. Moving forward with urgency is important.

In general, policy change ideas are in flux until the outcome of the Supreme Court's pending consideration of *Grants Pass v. Johnson*. For now, I support Oregon's HB 3115 as policy guidelines. I also support improving coordination between housing providers, houseless services and behavioral health. Mental health and addiction difficulties are often major elements in people losing their housing. A coordinated network of crisis response services should also include eviction prevention services as an integral piece that is even included as part of the 988 crisis system planning and implementation. I also support resources for the expansion and additional marketing about the County's eviction prevention services, so more people know they exist.

Chris Henry

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Meghan Moyer

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Vadim Mozyrsky

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Margot Wheeler

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Multnomah County Commissioner - *continued*

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District 2

Sam Adams

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Jessie Burke
jessieburke.com

- 1) Creating a central database of available shelter beds that is public-facing.
- 2) We need to drastically increase the number of walk-in shelter beds. Currently most are reservation based with 2-3 week waiting lists.
- 3) We must use SMART Goals for every budget line item (Specific, Measurable, Actionable, Realistic, Timeline). The public is getting restless with increasing taxes and what seems to be no returns on investment.
- 4) We must develop more tools for our first responders to assist those living outside. This includes the central database of available shelter beds, advocating at the State for a definition for gravely disabled, funding for individuals in need of care facilities or adult foster care.

I work in Old Town. I am surrounded by people in constant mental health crises, and nearly everyone needs to be in a sobering center, but instead they roam the streets. So my guess is this facility is voluntary, not mandatory.

What I would change is that we have to stop normalizing public use of drugs, and stop normalizing people being high walking the streets, or people in a mental health crisis to become the community's responsibility. We all care, but this is not something the public is trained to do. We must begin enforcing some basic standards of behavior in the public realm, and give first responders the tools to transport those in mental health crisis or high on drugs to care.

We must prioritize bond measure dollars for chronic homelessness needs first and foremost. Currently a majority of the dollars are being spent on preventing homelessness by investing in affordable housing, which is why the voter is not seeing much change outside.

We must create a central database of available shelter beds accessible to the public.

We must drastically increase the number of walk-in shelter beds.

We must be able to use housing funding for adult foster care and long-term care facilities.

And we must have public, nonprofit and private sector all building housing simultaneously.

Nicholas (Nick) Hara

Candidate did not respond by deadline.

Dr. Carlos Jermaine Richard

Candidate did not respond by deadline.



Shannon Singleton
shannonsingleton.org

I have three priorities: housing, healthcare/behavioral health and safe communities. Multnomah County sits at the center of these three priorities. I have decades of front line experience, working directly with people to get into treatment, find permanent housing from a shelter or the streets, and providing mental health services. I know what works. We need to shore up our courts and frontline public safety services and get to the bottom of what's driving troubling incidents in our jails.

Honestly, I've never had a client who needed an incentive to get sober, but now that this law is in place I welcome the opportunity to create a deflection system that actually works for the people we serve. What I have experienced is that we build programs in ways that make it almost impossible for people to use them. That has to stop. I had a client at JOIN who asked me to help her get into detox. You had to arrive early to get a bed so I picked her up at 4am at her camp, went to the center, waited in line, and she didn't get in. The next day, we did the same. The third day I went to pick her up and she said she didn't want to be disappointed again and didn't want to go. She later died on the street. We need to do better and I know we can.

We need more of everything, and it needs to be coordinated. We need more housing, we need more shelter, we need more behavioral health interventions and retention services. We have an opportunity in this moment, with the Supportive Housing Services measure in place, to make great strides. It will take focusing on making progress, instead of bickering over the best way forward. We know what works. What we need to do now is show voters progress, and build trust with the people sleeping on our streets that we are serious about turning the corner on homelessness. I want to be clear. This will be hard and it will take time.

Multnomah County Commissioner - *continued*

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What role do you think Multnomah County should play in addressing the supply of housing in the County? Please explain your answer.

District 3



Julie Brim-Edwards
juliabrim-edwards.com

Eleven months ago, you elected me to a partial term to get the County back on track. County leadership had failed to effectively act on the crises in our neighborhoods. If elected, my priorities remain: a) Fund and expand shelter beds and alternative housing to transition people off the streets to basic services, safety, and provide a path to housing. b) End unsanctioned camping. c) Lead the work to re-open a 24/7 Drop Off Sobering Center with connections to detox/drug treatment. d) Improve neighborhood safety, by prioritizing critical community corrections funding and first responder staffing to reduce response times to emergencies. e) Ensure accountability, transparency so tax dollars are effectively spent. f) Advocate for East Portland!

No, much more needs to be done. When I was elected 11 months ago, Multnomah County's mental health system had been underfunded with revolving leadership. There continues to be a lack of access to mental health services, unprecedented numbers of drug-related deaths, unsafe conditions, and individuals without access to addiction treatment. As a County Commissioner, I am pushing for and have supported: creation of a countywide, holistic plan for drug addiction treatment that runs the entire continuum, from prevention to treatment and recovery; expansion of capacity for detox and treatment beds, both inpatient and outpatient; and I led the planning and design work for a new 24-7 Drop Off Sobering Center and helped secure funding for it.

The County had been slow to act and locked in a rigid ideology of thinking that there was one way to address this humanitarian crisis while record number of individuals were homeless on our streets. More urgent action was needed. When I joined the Commission last summer, I pushed hard for immediate action on the millions of unspent funds and to fund--which we did--hundreds of new shelter beds and alternative shelter types to transition people from the street and camps to shelter, basic services, safety and a path to housing. Investments were made in day centers, sober and recovery housing, and treatments beds. That needs to be prioritized. Mental health and addiction treatment services must be integrated with supportive homeless services.



TJ Noddings
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LOWER THE RENT: Demand local rent control to cap rent & utilities such that anyone working full time on minimum wage can afford an apartment with 30% or less of their income.

END EVICTIONS: 90% of evictions in Multnomah are for nonpayment. Only 7% of tenants have representation vs. 82% of landlords. We must provide an eviction lawyer to all.

DECOMMODIFY HOUSING: By creating a public social housing developer, the county should aim to become the #1 provider of housing rather than private equity.

A HOME FOR EVERY UNHOUSED PERSON: Converting vacant offices & other quickly developable permanent housing projects

BUILD TENANT POWER: Pass a Renters' Bill of Rights to cap fees, ban rent hikes when code violations exist, and other protections.

Absolutely not. We have been without a center for 4 years already and the current commissioner in District 3, Julia Brim-Edwards, in charge of planning & designing the new center has failed to put forth a plan that addresses our serious and immediate needs. The first 15 beds are projected to open in July 2025, more than a year from now, but folks living on the streets & going through crisis do not have that long to wait. The 90 day declaration of fentanyl emergency will soon be over. We must open an immediate temporary center with longer limits on stays while we develop the larger permanent facility.

Research shows that the #1 cause & predictor of houselessness is a region's cost of housing. We cannot build lasting change while the private market raises rates every single year. We must keep people that are already housed in their homes, and move unhoused & unsheltered folks into permanent affordable housing immediately.

In the meantime, we must also stop the disruptive and abusive street sweeps that make it impossible for houseless folks to achieve stability. We need public access to more clean, safe restrooms and showers. We need more permanently subsidized housing vouchers for folks with fixed or no income. We need to fund more case managers & outreach to connect folks with the resources that exist but are underutilized.

Multnomah County Commissioner - *continued*

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Salary: \$118,968

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What role do you think Multnomah County should play in addressing the supply of housing in the County? Please explain your answer.

District 4



Vince Jones-Dixon
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I'm running to be your County Commissioner to bring urgency and accountability to our emergency and safety net systems. The lingering challenges from the COVID pandemic and the surge in fentanyl and other drugs are threatening many in our community.

My top priorities are:
Real solutions to prevent and manage homelessness
Mental health and addiction services
Community Safety

Our community deserves:
Emergency services that provide essential care and respond quickly.
Easy access to information regarding services for those in need or at risk.
Efficient and accountable government that uses its resources effectively.

Facilities for mental health and addiction services need to be expanded in the locations they are most needed. Those in crisis need safe spaces to receive support. The County needs to adequately connect people with these services, and support the hard-working staff dedicated to providing care. I absolutely support and would prioritize re-establishing a sobering center, but if this is going to take up to two years as has been predicted, we need to be nimble and find solutions in the meantime. One example the county can follow is the work done by the Oregon Change Clinic.

A major element of addressing housing affordability includes creating opportunities for better jobs for the community. The County needs to prioritize its ability to create jobs, spur entrepreneurship, and facilitate bringing in federal funding that can support all elements related to alleviating the housing crisis.

We also must support those who are dealing with the housing crisis on the most direct level by ensuring the County is doing everything in its power to help those living on the streets. face an immediate need for an accurate count of shelter beds s power to help those living on the streets. face an immediate need for an accurate count of shelter beds so we can make this information readily available to first responders.



Brian Knotts
gorgetechservices.com

I want to focus county government on its core competencies: namely, public safety and infrastructure. These are things every county resident uses and needs. The roads, in particular, have been allowed to deteriorate over the past 15 years. This will require significant investment, but it is not optional. We cannot rely solely on road taxes for this.

My other priority is going back to the drawing board with our homeless situation, and re-evaluating the current approach. We must consider incentives and disincentives whenever we design a solution, and how they will affect the success or failure of the program.

I am glad that they decided to re-open the sobering center. It should never have been shut down in the first place. I think these programs are, in large part, tied into the homeless situation, and as I have said, the whole approach needs reexamination and reevaluation. Keep what works, reform or reengineer what isn't working.

I think the courts need a county facility that is not jail, but is similar in some ways, but dedicated to providing rehab for people who have committed serious crimes as a result of their addiction. We need to re-affirm the concept of shelter, as opposed to "housing first" which is unattainable and causes delays in helping people out of their immediate situation. We also need to find ways to discourage people from turning down shelter due to no-drug policies.

Multnomah County Commissioner - *continued*

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Salary: \$118,968

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and why?

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Please explain your answer.

What role do you think Multnomah
County should play in addressing
the supply of housing in the County?
Please explain your answer.

District 4 - *continued*

Timothy O Youker

The County, City of Portland, Gresham Non-profit are housing alot of homeless people, including imagrants from other countries in temporary housing. This temporary housing I found out, has extended to 6 months to over a year in our homeless villages. The State of Oregon Vocational Rehabilitation is available to all resident's with a disability. As Commissioner I would love to hand out Vocational Training vouchers to the public, Mt. Hood Community Collage, PCC has Vocational Training, NW Collage of Construction hasa program. I have noticed every person housed are waiting for Direction. We also need more treatment/ Self help programs close to were people are housed. I am on public transportation everyday talking to the public.

I don't understand why the courent Multnomah County Commissioner's are just housing people. I believe a the courent board members are waiting for their term in office to end. I have no idea why the board of Commissioner do what they do.

The homeless solution is currently not working. Management is not moving forward with treatment and education. Residents in the small villages are not moving forward, because all the treatment program for addiction are full. People need more options. If the City ore the private contractors are not able to manage the homeless villages. The County needs to take over and over see the Management of the villages. The County needs more case workers finding education learning needs of everyone involved. Summer only tents, rotation to small houses vocational training for the disabled. Mental Health, education, case worker support helping everyone.

Multnomah County District Attorney

Term: 4 Years
Salary: \$197,940

What do you suggest should be the three most important factors for voters to consider in making their choice between the candidates for District Attorney?

What is your view of the appropriate relationship of the District Attorney's office with the Portland Police Bureau? Please explain your answer.

What will be your policy priorities if elected, and why?



Mike Schmidt
mikeschmidtforda.com

1. Accomplishments:
I partnered with police to reduce auto theft, and led on a state law change to fix Measure 110 and stop public drug use. And I'm standing up to the gun lobbyists and partnering with OHSU to study gun violence as the major public health epidemic that it is.

2. Supporters:
I'm proud to be endorsed by trusted progressives- from Willamette Women Democrats and Basic Rights PAC, to Former Governor Barbara Roberts and Oregon Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum.

Meanwhile, my opponent, Nathan Vasquez, takes money from NRA champion Betsy Johnson and donors with ties to MAGA extremists.

3. Platform:
I'm the only candidate in the race with a clear platform. Read more at mikeschmidtforda.com/priorities

I've proudly partnered with police, launching an auto theft task force which reduced auto thefts, and a retail theft task force to crack down on shoplifting crime rings. I helped secure funding for Portland Police to stop dangerous street races. The District Attorney and the Portland Police must work together to keep us safe- and they are also separate entities for a reason. They are part of a system of checks and balances that prevents corruption of power. I believe we need to support our dedicated police officers who serve the community and keep us safe, and we also must hold our police to the highest standard, demanding full accountability for officers who break the law and violate their powers- because nobody is above the law.

In my second term I will focus on these priorities:
Working with police to enforce new laws against open public drug use and get people off the street and into treatment. Working to reduce gun violence through both prosecution and prevention. Building new programs focused on helping domestic violence survivors. Rejecting Trump & MAGA extremists by protecting immigrant communities and prosecuting hate crimes. Expanding groundbreaking treatment courts I started in my first term, which are proven to prevent future crimes. Standing up for abortion rights- regardless of who is elected President and if MAGA Republicans pass a national abortion ban.

Nathan Vasquez

Candidate did not respond by deadline.



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7238 SE Foster Rd. (in the plaza of the Portland Mercado at SE Foster Rd. and 72nd Ave. - **Walk up Only**)

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