

Notice of Receipt of Ballot Title for the November 5, 2019 Special Election

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on July 16th, the City of Happy Valley Elections Officer received a ballot title for a measure referred by the Happy Valley City Council to voters at the November 5, 2019 election.

Any elector may file a petition for review of the ballot title with the Clackamas County Circuit Court no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 25th (the 7th business day after the ballot title was filed with the City Elections Officer) under ORS 250.296. The elector must notify the City Elections Official (City Recorder) in writing that the petition has been filed. That notice must be given no later than 5:00 p.m. on the next business day following the day the petition is filed.

The ballot title is:

CAPTION: APPROVAL OF HAPPY VALLEY POLICE SERVICES LEVY FOR FIVE YEARS

QUESTION: Shall Happy Valley maintain a five year \$1.38/\$1,000 assessed value levy for dedicated police services beginning Fiscal Year 2020/21?

This measure renews current local option taxes

SUMMARY: The measure would renew a local option levy that City voters approved in 2002, 2006, 2010, and 2015 to provide funding for dedicated police services. The rate for all three levies was the same: \$1.38/\$1,000 of assessed value.

The current levy (2015) expires June 30, 2020. That levy has funded police services dedicated to the City of Happy Valley, which are provided through an agreement with Clackamas County Sheriff's Office. These services include emergency response, 911, dedicated police patrols, major crime investigations, crime prevention, drug enforcement, school safety, community policing and traffic enforcement in the City.

This proposed levy maintains the \$1.38/\$1,000 rate and provides funding for dedicated police services in the City for five additional years. These dedicated services have been provided since 2002 through this local option levy.

The amount of money to be raised by this proposed levy for each of the five fiscal years is estimated to be as follows: FY 2020/21 \$4,533,804; FY 2021/22 \$4,851,170; FY 2022/23 \$5,190,752; FY 2023/24 \$5,554,105; FY 2024/25 \$5,942,892.

Should this levy fail, the City will not have dedicated police services beyond June 2020.