2006 General Election

Official Local Voters' Pamphlet for Clark County

Vote. Let your voice be heard.

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Dear Clark County Voters

This general election is the sixth time we have used our new voting system here in Clark County and we have been very pleased with how well voters have adapted to the new ballot. However, we would like to remind you that in order to make sure your vote is counted as you intended please use a black or blue ink pen to mark your ballot by completely filling in the box by your choice(s).

If you make a mistake voting your ballot, please contact the Elections Department at (360) 397-2345 or e-mail elections@clark.wa.gov. Staff will issue you a replacement ballot. You can also refer to the instructions on page 42 in this pamphlet or the secrecy envelope.

If you are a registered voter and have not received your general election ballot in the mail by Friday, October 27, I urge you to contact the Elections Department to obtain a replacement ballot. Please be sure to mail your voted ballot back to us in time to get it post marked by Election Day, November 7, or take it to one of the 35 ballot drop off locations in the county before 8 P.M. Election Day. A complete listing of these ballot drop off locations can be found on page 41 of this voters' pamphlet.

Again this year, preliminary election results will be released in Gaiser Hall at Clark College (1800 E McLoughlin Blvd., Vancouver) at approximately 8:30 P.M. on Election Day. We appreciate Clark College's cooperation in providing this service to the community. Election results are also available online at www.clarkvotes.org

This local voters' pamphlet is designed to help you make important decisions in this year's general election. You have the opportunity to vote for candidates and depending on where you live in the county, on issues that will affect you and your family. I not only urge you to read this pamphlet but to also seek out more information. The best decisions are made by informed voters.

Voting demonstrates respect for the sacrifices made by our parents, grand-parents, children and others who have gone to war for the United States to protect our precious constitutional rights. Your vote does make a difference. I encourage you to join me in exercising one of the most precious rights we have as Americans – the right to vote.

Sincerely,

Greg Kimsey

Clark County Auditor

Participating jurisdictions:

Clark County, Public Utility District No. 1 of Clark County and Fire Protection District No. 11

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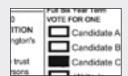
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A reminder to vote: It's really simple

Registering to vote

Registering takes only a few minutes, and you can do it by mail. Registration forms are available during business hours at public libraries, schools when they are open, city and town halls, and the County Elections Department.

Who is eligible to vote

The requirements for registering to vote are simple. You must be a United States citizen, 18 years or older, and live in Clark County 30 days prior to the election.

How to vote

Beginning with the 2005 primary, and for all future elections, the voters in Clark County will receive their ballots by mail. If you are a registered voter in Clark County, we will mail you a ballot for every election in which you are entitled to participate.

Clark County purchased a new voting system which has replaced the old punch-card system that had been in use for many years. The new voting system is quite simple – color in a box with blue or black pen to select your choices.

The page "Voting instructions" (page 42) in this pamphlet explains

how to vote using this new voting process. Please read the instructions in this pamphlet. We want your vote to count!

If you lose your ballot, or it becomes damaged, you can obtain a replacement ballot by contacting the Elections Department:

Phone: (360) 397-2345

E-mail: elections@clark.wa.gov

Mailing address: PO Box 8815, Vancouver, WA 98666-8815

Street address: 1408 Franklin

Street, Vancouver

Be an informed voter. Here's how.

There are many sources of information for citizens wishing to know more about candidates, issues, and coverage of the upcoming November 7 general election

Read all about it.

■ The Columbian.

Web site: www.columbian.com.

■ The Oregonian.

Web site: www.oregonlive.com/elections/oregonian/clarkcounty.

■ The Camas/Washougal Post Record.

Web site: www.camaspostrecord.com.

■ The Reflector.

Web site: www.thereflector.com.

League of Women Voters

For a schedule of events or candidate forums, see their Web site at www.washingtonvoter.org or call (360) 693-9966.

Cable TV

CVTV Clark-Vancouver Television on Comcast cable channel 23. Election coverage will include candidate forums and interviews of candidates in various races. See TV listings in The Columbian, cable channel 2, and the CVTV Web site, www.cvtv.org or call (360) 696-8233.

If you do not have cable TV you can obtain video tapes of any program at any Fort Vancouver Regional Library

branch or from CVTV.



Surf the Internet.



- Information about candidates for statewide offices can be found on the Secretary of State's Web site at www.secstate.wa.gov/elections.
- Election coverage can be found on the Clark County Elections Department Web site: http://clarkvotes.org.
- The Fort Vancouver Regional Library has computers with Internet connections available for public use.

Join Clark County residents on election night

On election night at approximately 7 P.M. gather in Gaiser Hall at Clark College to hear and see election results. The college is located at 1800 East Mcloughlin Blvd., Vancouver.



If you wish to return your voted ballot in person **before Election Day**, take it to the:

- Clark County Elections Department, 1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver. 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. Monday through Friday. If you lose your ballot or it becomes damaged, you can obtain a replacement ballot only at this location.
- Red permanent ballot drop box West 14th and Esther streets, Vancouver (One-half block east of the Elections Department) Available 24 hours a day

Election Day is Tuesday, November 7, 2006. If you wish to return your voted ballot in person **on Election Day** take it to the red ballot drop box before 8 P.M. In addition, election workers will be present to accept completed ballots only on Election Day from 7 A.M. to 8 P.M. at these locations:

Clark County Elections
Department
1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver

Battle Ground High School 300 W Main Street, Battle Ground

Burton Elementary School 14015 NE 28th Street, Vancouver

Camas High School 26900 SE 15th Street, Camas

Chinook Elementary School 1900 NW Bliss Road, Vancouver

Ballot drop-off locations

Crestline Elementary School 13003 SE 7th Street, Vancouver

Dorothy Fox Elementary School 2623 NW Sierra Street, Camas

Eleanor Roosevelt Elementary School 2921 Falk Road, Vancouver

Felida Elementary School 2700 NW 119th Street, Vancouver

Fisher's Landing Elementary School 3800 SE Hiddenbrook Drive, Vancouver

Glenwood Heights Primary School 9716 NE 134th Street, Vancouver

Grace Foursquare Gospel Church 717 SE Everett Road, Camas

Hazel Dell Elementary School 511 NE Anderson Road, Vancouver

Helen Baller Elementary School 1954 NE Garfield Street, Camas

Hockinson Middle School 15916 NE 182nd Avenue, Brush Prairie

Image Elementary School 4400 NE 122nd Avenue, Vancouver

La Center Community Center 1000 E 4th Street, La Center

Lieser Early Childhood Center 301 S Lieser Road, Vancouver

Lincoln Elementary School 4200 Daniels Street, Vancouver

M.L. King Elementary School 4801 Idaho Street, Vancouver Mill Plain Elementary School 400 SE 164th Avenue, Vancouver

Minnehaha Elementary School 2800 NE 54th Street, Vancouver

Pleasant Valley School 14320 NE 50th Avenue, Vancouver

Prune Hill Elementary School 1601 NW Tidland Street, Camas

Ridgefield Nazarene Church 747 Pioneer Avenue, Ridgefield

Riverview Elementary School 12601 SE Riveridge Drive, Vancouver

Salmon Creek Elementary School 1601 NE 129th Street, Vancouver

Sarah J. Anderson Elementary School 2215 NE 104th Street, Vancouver

Sifton Elementary School 7301 NE 137th Avenue, Vancouver

Sunset Elementary School 9001 NE 95th Street, Vancouver

Vancouver School of Arts and Academics 3101 Main Street, Vancouver

Walnut Grove Elementary School 6103 NE 72nd Avenue, Vancouver

Washougal Community Center 1681 C Street, Washougal

Yacolt Primary School 406 W Yacolt Road, Yacolt

Voting instructions

Your ballot packet will be mailed to you about 20 days before the November 7 general election. It will contain:

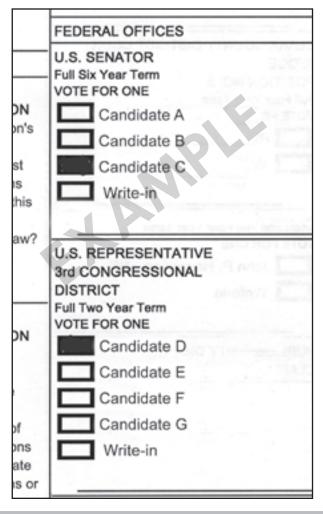
- An instruction sheet that explains the voting process.
- The official ballot where you will mark your choices (it will be folded).
- A yellow secrecy envelope with instructions printed on it.
- A return affidavit envelope with green stripes that is addressed to the county Auditor.

To make sure your vote is counted please follow the steps below when you receive your ballot package.

- **Read the following instructions** that explain how to vote in this election.
- **2** Unfold and read the ballot. It contains all the races and resolutions that you can vote.
- Mark your ballot by completely filling in the box to the left of your choice with a black or blue ink pen.

Example: Candidate C has been chosen in the U.S. Senator race, and Candidate D has been chosen in the U.S. Representative race.

One candidate has been marked in each race and the box is filled in completely.



Optional. If you want to vote for a candidate not appearing on the ballot, completely fill in the box to the left of the Write-In choice and use the line provided. Write-in votes cast for partisan offices must include the candidate's party affiliation.

5 Check your ballot to be sure you have voted for all the candidates and measures you intended. Make sure you voted for only one candidate in each race. If you vote for more than one candidate, your votes in that race will be rejected. Your other votes will be counted if they are done correctly.

Refold the ballot in the same way you received it and place it inside the yellow secrecy envelope. Then seal it. Don't write on this envelope.

Place the yellow secrecy envelope into the white affidavit envelope with green stripes.

Read the oath on the affidavit envelope flap, then sign and date it.

If you make a mistake marking your ballot, please contact the Elections Department at (360) 397-2345 or e-mail elections@clark.wa.gov, for a replacement ballot. You can also correct it by crossing it out and then marking your new choice.

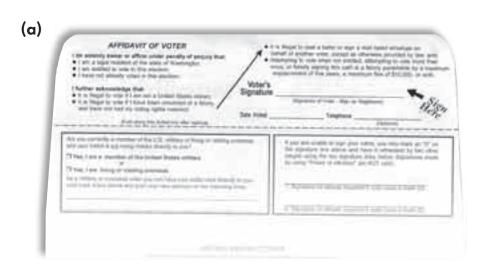
Polding the affidavit envelope has changed this year. Please follow these instructions carefully.

- Start with the front of the envelope facing down. *See (a) below.*
- Fold the envelope flap in half, along the dotted line, so that your signature is hidden. *See (b) below.*
- You will see two glue strips. These need to be lightly moistened.
- Fold the flap over again, and you will see a message along the edge that asks you to press firmly. See (c) below.

Put a first class stamp (39¢) on the envelope and mail it so it is postmarked no later than Election Day, November 7.

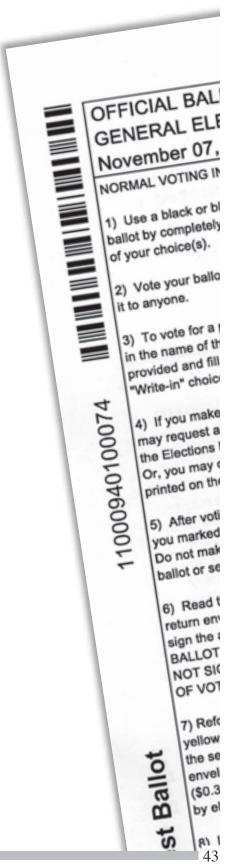
You may also deliver your envelope in person. Please turn to page 41 for information about ballot drop locations.

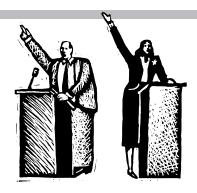
If you need help, call the Elections Department at (360) 397-2345.











Candidate statements

This pamphlet describes all the offices and issues up for election in Clark County, but where you live determines which of those offices and issues you may vote for. The ballot guide that you receive with your mail ballot envelope packet shows the offices and issues for which you are entitled to vote.

CLARK COUNTY COUNTY ASSESSOR

Linda Franklin
Democrat



With 4 years as your Assessor and 24 years as Chief Deputy Assessor, I have the experience to lead this office in providing fair assessments of all properties. As an accredited appraiser, with an MBA, I have the knowledge to effectively manage a staff of professional appraisers as we build new technologies to increase productivity. As a life-long county resident, I am personally committed to providing outstanding customer service to all county residents.

It is vital I remain your Clark County Assessor while we build a new shared Assessment and Treasury system which will serve us far into the future.

Address: P.O. Box 905, Ridgefield 98642; Telephone: (360) 281-8131; Web site: www.voteLindaFranklin.org

Bill Jameson Republican



I have worked in the assessor's office the last 12 years, have 21 years experience in private industry, with a background in accounting, appraisal, and management.

Government should work for you, and the assessor is no exception. I will bring leadership and create efficiencies for this office, form effective government alliances, and build positive relationships with people and businesses.

I will be active in the community making sure your property is fairly assessed by promoting *all* tax reduction programs and making key property valuation components available to you, so you pay only your fair share.

Thank you for your vote!

Address: Committee to Elect Bill Jameson, 903 W 43rd Street, Vancouver 98660;

Telephone: (360) 694-7350; E-mail: jameson2006@comcast.net;

Web site: www.Jameson2006.com

CLARK COUNTY COUNTY AUDITOR

(No Democratic Party candidate filed)

Greg Kimsey Republican



It has been a great privilege to serve as your County Auditor these past eight years.

Accomplishments include: Washington State Auditor of the Year 2006; administration of 2004 Presidential election, and recounts of the Governor's race, with no serious problems; successful implementation of new voting system.

My commitment is to provide the highest possible level of service to "customers" of the Auditor's Office.

I have been, and will continue to be, an advocate for taxpayers in county government.

I appreciate the confidence voters had in me four years ago. I hope you will honor me with your vote this year.

Telephone: If you have questions, or for more information, please call me at (360) 521-6685, or via **E-mail:** gkimsey@comcast.net

CLARK COUNTY COUNTY CLERK

Sherry Parker
Democrat



The Clerk provides public access to an accurate and independent record of all court proceedings, not an interpretation of the law. My 15 years experience working in the Superior Court system means I understand that responsibility. I have experience working with the county budget process and managing people.

As Clerk, I promise you – fiscal responsibility, reliable record keeping and a continued tradition of the latest technological innovations.

I am endorsed by Al Bauer, Val Ogden and retiring Clerk, JoAnne McBride. They believe that Clark County needs a Clerk who has a vision for the future. I am that person.

Address: Committee to Elect Sherry Parker, PO Box 61652, Vancouver 98666; Telephone: (360) 695-7514; E-mail: parkerps@comcast.net; Web site: www.parker4clerk.com

Baine Wilson Republican



As County Clerk, my goal is to provide the most efficient and effective services possible for the present while planning now for the impacts of our growing county of the future.

Objective One: recover the \$48,000,000 currently owed to crime victims in Clark County. Enabling payments by credit and debit cards will help increase the amount of money collected.

I have worked in local government for several years, and in several supervisory roles, including inside the Clerk's Office. I know how it operates and I can hit the ground running. I'm Baine Wilson, and I'm asking for your vote.

Address: Committee to Elect Baine Wilson, PO Box 587, La Center 98629; Telephone: (360) 901-9866

CLARK COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT No. 3 COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Steve Stuart

Democrat



Clark County is a great place to live. County Commissioner Steve Stuart is working hard to keep it that way.

He's getting results. During his first year on the commission, he's made developers pay for roads and schools, hired nine new deputies to keep neighborhoods safe, completed eight internal audits to cut government waste, and focused public road building dollars to attract hundreds of good-paying industrial jobs.

"I'm asking for your vote because our work isn't done. With my energy and ideas I can help create and implement a vision for Clark County's future that will make us proud."

Web site: www.stuartforclarkcounty.com

Bruce Hagensen
Republican



Clark County Citizens, you and I face critical challenges in growth management, transportation, education and economic development. Dealing with these issues requires strong, decisive leadership with experience, vision, and wisdom.

As a longtime owner of a business in Clark County, I understand the impacts of governmental regulations. My years in public office as a Councilmember and Mayor taught me how to conduct the public's business, and my record demonstrates that positive results can be achieved.

We can do better, and with your support, we will. Vote for Bruce Hagensen for Clark County Commissioner.

CLARK COUNTY COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

Art Curtis

Democrat



It has been an honor for me to serve as the elected Prosecuting Attorney for 25 years. During that time we have expanded services to crime victims; helped child sexual assault victims by establishing the Child Abuse Intervention Center; helped victims of domestic violence by establishing the Domestic Violence Prosecution Center; created a Vulnerable Abuse Task Force to address cases involving the financial and physical abuse of our elderly citizens; helped local merchants obtain restitution on "bad checks" by creating an NSF check program; and worked with local and state officials to build a full-service crime lab in Vancouver.

(No Republican Party candidate filed)

CLARK COUNTY COUNTY SHERIFF

Timothy Shotwell

Democrat



Timothy Shotwell is not a politician. He is a dedicated public servant, a Vietnam combat veteran with 22 years in the military and nearly a decade in the Sheriff's office.

Tim will provide better communication between law enforcement and the community. He will provide strong leadership within the Sheriff's office to ensure a high degree of professionalism. He will not waste taxpayer's money.

Tim has a bachelor's degree in Automation, as well as extensive military leadership training. He was involved with Operation Enduring Freedom and is enthusiastic about this new challenge.

Married 34 years, Tim and Audrey have four children.

Garry Lucas
Republican



We are experiencing growing issues surrounding identity theft, methamphetamine use, and sex offender monitoring. These issues are top priorities. Adequate staffing levels and appropriate facilities are Sheriff's Office challenges. I am resolved to find collaborative solutions for these issues. As a major regional player, Clark County residents must focus on professional leadership as we look towards the future. Through collaborative problem solving, in partnership, we can find solutions. We will address issues at the local, state, regional, and national level, seeking permanent solutions. I ask for your vote and seek to serve you as sheriff for the next four years.

Address: Garry Lucas for Sheriff, PMB 330, 800 Tenney Road, Ste 110, Vancouver 98685; Telephone: Joe Dunegan, Campaign Manager (360) 606-5948; Web Site: www.garrylucasforsheriff.com

CLARK COUNTY COUNTY TREASURER

Doug Lasher
Democrat



As your Treasurer for 22 years, I've been honored to provide innovative treasury management featuring investment pooling, a joint remittance processing center and a special treasury website for taxing districts. Our popular one-stop service center for Treasurer, Assessor, and Auditor affirms that customer service is my priority. The next two years are critical as we replace 30 year-old software with state-of-theart assessment, taxation and cashiering computer systems. Among numerous other benefits, they will help taxpayers conduct business over the internet, providing ever more efficient, effective service. Your continued trust, support and vote is deeply appreciated.

Address: Citizens for Doug Lasher, PO Box 864, Vancouver 98666; Telephone: (360) 576-9783; E-mail: citizensforlasher@msn.com; Web site: www.votedouglasher.com

(No Republican Party candidate filed)

CLARK COUNTY DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, Position No. 1

Vernon L. Schreiber Nonpartisan



Judge Schreiber is a graduate of the United States Merchant Marine Academy and received his law degree from Lewis and Clark College. He has practiced law in Clark County since 1972. In 1987 he assumed the bench in District Court as the Magistrate and was elected to the bench as District Court Judge in 1998.

During his time on the bench he helped initiate the Driver License Restoration Program, which has helped legalize and insure many unlicensed drivers. He also started a specialized criminal non support docket. Presently, he presides over the Domestic Violence Court full time.

CLARK COUNTY DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, Position No. 2

James P. Swanger Nonpartisan



Judge Swanger has served in District Court for 8 years, as Court Commissioner and Judge. A third generation resident of Clark County, he's received awards for distinguished service in public legal education and court improvement. The Washington Women Lawyers, Clark/St Helen's Chapter, rated Judge Swanger "exceptionally well qualified." Jim and Mary, his wife of 32 years, have 3 children and 2 grandchildren.

"It's an honor and a privilege to serve the people of Clark County. I am committed to ensuring fair and equal access to justice in every case, and continuing to work to improve the Court."

CLARK COUNTY DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, Position No. 3

Darvin J. Zimmerman Nonpartisan



Judge Zimmerman is an honors graduate with both a Master's Degree and Law Degree. He has taught college law classes and is a frequent lecturer including being a guest speaker for the American Judges Association.

Judge Zimmerman has been the innovator of many improvement and cost saving measures, some of which include longer business hours for the public, reduced legal fees, and deferred traffic findings.

His extensive community involvement includes: Hospice, Special Olympics, Blind School Volunteer and youth coaching. For the past 12 years he has served as a volunteer grief counselor for children who have lost parents and siblings.

CLARK COUNTY DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, Position No. 4

Kenneth R. Eiesland
Nonpartisan

(No photograph or statement was submitted)

CLARK COUNTY DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, Position No. 5

Rich Melnick Nonpartisan



Judge Rich Melnick is dedicated to serving the public. With twenty-five years as judge and prosecutor Judge Melnick has demonstrated high integrity, strong work ethics, and excellent organizational skills. He runs the Substance Abuse Court.

Judge Melnick remains active in community affairs by coaching and assisting in many youth and athletic programs.

"It is a privilege to be your Clark County Judge. I will continue to decisively resolve cases using common sense and my legal knowledge. I promise to provide fair and equal justice to Clark County and to always remember my decisions have real impact on people's lives."

CLARK COUNTY DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, Position No. 6

John P. Hagensen Nonpartisan



Judge Hagensen brings to the bench the common sense values he learned growing up in Clark County. A current District Court Judge, Hagensen has a proven record of treating court participants fairly and with respect, while maintaining a no nonsense approach with criminals.

With experience in prosecuting, criminal defense, and civil law, along with his experience on the bench, Judge Hagensen has the broad based legal background necessary to make sound legal decisions.

Judge Hagensen has served our community as a school board member, port commissioner, youth baseball/basketball coach, and volunteer firefighter. Married 28 years, he has four children.

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF CLARK COUNTY COMMISSIONER, District No. 1

Carol Curtis Nonpartisan



Customers are my priority. Clark Public Utilities is one of the most customeroriented, cost-effective, innovative, public utilities in the nation. My business experience and knowledge of our community contribute to the utility's notable successes. I have helped our utility develop and provide a reliable, ample supply of power, maintain stable rates, provide unparalleled customer service, and champion environmental sensitivity. I believe it is critical that our utility maintain its leadership position in the region. Keep me a part of the team that has made Clark Public Utilities reliable and responsive today and ready for the future: Vote Carole Curtis.

Address: Committee to Re-Elect Carol Curtis Clark Public Utilities Commissioner, 1514 Columbia Street, Vancouver 98660; Telephone: (360) 921-3211;

Web site: www.electcarolcurtis.com

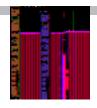
Jim Malinowski Nonpartisan



Your electric rates, once among the lowest in the state, now are among the highest. Clark PUD commissioners established policies that have resulted in rates over 40% higher than necessary. They also established policies which denied ratepayers information we were entitled to have. Vote for a qualified engineering professional to represent you on the board. I have the technical background and the electric industry experience to improve board decision processes, to protect your public power rights and to promote efficient, reliable operations. To learn more about my qualifications and the need for change at the PUD, go to www.jim-malinowski. com.

Address: Committee to Elect Jim Malinowski, PO Box 127, Amboy 98601;

Telephone: (360) 247-6404: E-mail: j.malinowski@ieee.org



Ballot measures

PROPOSITION NO. 1

Clark County Fire Protection District No. 11 – Board of Commissioners – PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING INCREASE OF EXISTING PROPERTY TAX LEVIES

The proposition will authorize the Board of Commissioners of the District to restore its regular property tax levy to an amount not to exceed \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation. (This shall not be construed to authorize an excess levy and shall be subject to other applicable statutory limits.)

Should this Proposition be enacted into law?	
☐ YES	
□ NO	

Statement for:

In 2004 the voters approved a measure to restore the District's levy rate back to the \$1.50, the rate originally approved by voters in 1993. That LID lift allowed the District to accomplish a number of projects including the purchase of two new rescue tools (jaws-of-life), replacement of outdated cardiac monitors, the purchase of personnel protective equipment for fire-fighters and the remodel/addition to the Charter Oak fire station.

Now the Board of Fire Commissioners is asking the voters to again restore the District's levy rate back to the \$1.50. The District's current rate is just under \$1.32. The additional 18 cents will generate approximately \$180,000 in additional revenue. Those funds will be used to hire additional career firefighter/EMTs to increase staffing at the Dollars Corner station, as well as, the newly remodeled Charter Oak station. The Charter Oak station will be completed in December 2006.

Several years ago voters adopted Initiative 747, the 1% limitation. That measure requires agencies, such as the Fire District, to get voter approval before increasing their tax revenues, even if restoring to a previously approved rate. District 11 is again asking for your approval. The additional staffing required to meet service demands can not be accomplished without your approval.

Landis Epp Fire and Life Safety Committee

Explanatory statement

Clark County Fire Protection District No. 11 seeks voter approval as provided by the limitations set forth in RCW 84.55 to authorize the Board of Fire District Commissioners to increase its regular property tax levy to an amount not to exceed \$1.50 per thousand dollars of assessed value of property in the district.

No statement against was submitted.

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Complete text of local measures

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 11

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-09-13 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF LEVY (SPECIAL ELECTION)

A RESOLUTION OF THE **BOARD OF COMMISSION-**ERS OF CLARK COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 11, PROVIDING FOR THE SUB-MISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT AT A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE DIS-TRICT ON NOVEMBER 7, 2006, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE STATE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE SAME DATE, OF A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING A LEVY OF A PROPERTY TAX NOT TO EX-CEED \$1.50 PER \$1,000.00 OF TRUE AND ASSESSED VALUA-TION SUBJECT TO OTHERWISE APPLICABLE STATUTORY LIMI-TATIONS.

Background: WHEREAS, it is the judgment of the Board of Commissioners of the District that it is essential and necessary for the protection of the health and life of the residents of the District that fire and emergency medical services be provided by the District. The accelerated demands for, and increasing costs of, providing these services will necessitate the expenditure of revenues for maintenance, operations and equipment in excess of those which can be provided by the District's regular tax revenue levied at the current rate per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation of taxable property within the District as limited by the 101% limitation.

Resolution: NOW THERE-FORE BE IT RESOLVED by the

Board of Commissioners of Clark County Fire Protection District No. 11, Clark County, Washington as follows:

Section 1. In order to provide fire protection, prevention and emergency medical services in the District, it is necessary for the District to obtain, operate and maintain emergency fire and medical aid vehicles and facilities staffed by properly trained personnel equipped with suitable fire fighting and emergency medical equipment.

Section 2. In order to provide the revenue adequate to pay the costs of providing adequate life protection services and facilities as described in Section 1 and to assure the continuation of such services, the District shall, in accordance with RCW 84.55.050, remove the limitation on regular property taxes imposed by RCW 84.55.010 and Initiative 747, and levy beginning in 2006 and collect beginning in 2007, pursuant to RCW 52.16.130, RCW 52.16.140 and RCW 52.16.160, a general tax on taxable property within the District at a rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation subject to otherwise applicable statutory limits.

Section 3. The District currently levies a regular property tax at the rate of \$1.32 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation.

Section 4. There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection, at a special election on November 7, 2006, in conjunction with the state general election to be held on the same date, the question of whether or not the regular property tax levy of the District should be restored to \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of true and assessed valuation, subject to otherwise applicable statutory limitations. The Board of

Commissioners hereby requests the auditor of Clark County, as ex-officio Supervisor of Elections, to declare that an emergency exists and to call such election, and to submit the following proposition at such election, in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

PROPOSITION

Clark County Fire Protection
District No. 11 – Board of Commissioners – Proposition Authorizing
Increase of Existing Property Tax
Levies.

The proposition will authorize the Board of Commissioners of the District to restore its regular property tax levy to an amount not to exceed \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation. (This shall not be construed to authorize an excess levy and shall be subject to other applicable statutory limits.)

Should this Proposition be enacted into law?

Yes No

Adoption: ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Clark County Fire Protection District No. 11, Clark County, Washington, at a regular open public meeting of such Board on the 13th day of September, 2006 the following Commissioners being present and voting:

Commissioners Gerald R. Kolke, Linn S. Dollar, Jr., James R. Johnson. Dennis E. Mason, Secretary

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