

COUNTY COURT JOURNAL



BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

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In the Matter of Calling for an Election to Submit to the Voters the Question of Renewing the Five-Year Veterans' Services Operating Local Option Tax ORDER

#17-<u>015</u>

This matter came before the Board of Commissioners on February 1, 2017 at the request of Bill Hatton, Veterans' Services Coordinator.

The Board being fully apprised of the records and files herein, finds as follows:

1. The Board of Commissioners of Tillamook County, Oregon (the "County"), has determined that there is a need to renew the five-year Veterans' Services Operating Local Option Tax.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 2. An election is hereby called for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the County the question of renewing the five-year Veterans' Services Operating Local Option Tax.
- 3. The election hereby called shall be held in the County on Tuesday, May 16, 2017. The election shall be conducted pursuant to ORS 254.465 et seq.
- 4. County staff shall cause to be delivered to the County Clerk of the County the attached Notice of Election and Receipt of Ballot Title, not later than 61 days prior to the election. The County Clerk is requested to give the electorate of the County appropriate notice.

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DATED this 1st day of February, 2017.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

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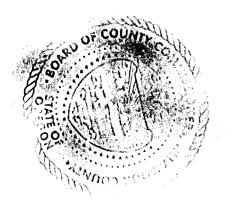
Tim Josi, Vice-C

David Yamamoto, Commissioner

ATTEST: Tassi O'Neil County Clerk

By:

Special Deputy



| Aye | Nay | Abstain/Absent |
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

William &. Sargent, County Counsel

NOTICE OF ELECTION & RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE

Published pursuant to ORS 255.085 (4b)

Notice is hereby given that a ballot title for a measure referred by the Tillamook County Board of Commissioners has been filed with the County Clerk of Tillamook County, Oregon on ______, 2017. The May 16, 2017 Special Election will be conducted by mail pursuant to ORS 254.465. An elector may file a petition for review of this ballot title in Tillamook County Circuit Court no later than 5:00 p.m. February <u>10</u>, 2017 pursuant to ORS 255.155.

CAPTION: RENEWAL OF FIVE YEAR VETERAN'S SERVICES OPERATING LOCAL OPTION TAX

QUESTION: Shall Tillamook County levy a five-year tax of \$.05 per \$1000 assessed value for County Veteran's Office beginning 07-01-17? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

SUMMARY: Approximately 2,500 veterans reside in Tillamook County. The Veterans Service Office assists local veterans, their dependents, or widowed spouses, obtain and manage federal Department of Veterans Affairs benefits. This assistance has annually returned more than twelve million dollars of federal benefits to local veterans and their dependents. A five-year levy provides sustained funding for managing a program that makes available direct disability compensation or pension benefits to 693 veterans. It is estimated that the \$.05 per \$1000 assessed value will raise \$220,000 in 2017-18, \$226,600 in 2018-19, \$233,398 in 2019-20, \$240,400 in 2020-21 and \$247,612 in 2021-22. The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of estimate and may reflect the impact of early payment discounts, compression and the collection rate. The cost of the serial levy for a person owning a home valued at \$200,000 would be \$10.00 annually. The serial levy provides the Veteran's Service Office funding for two full-time Veterans' Benefits Counselors and a part-time office specialist.