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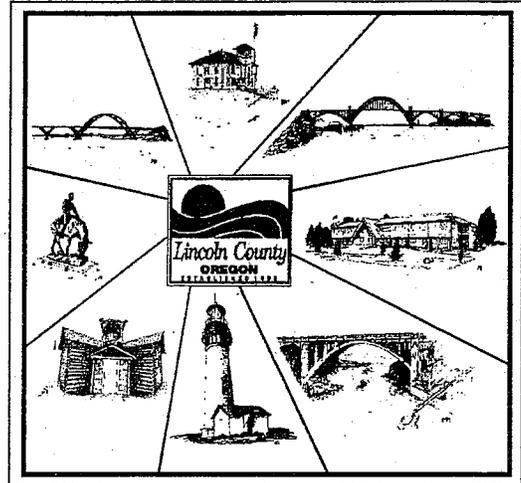
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Special Election
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Carmel-Foulweather
Sanitary District

Dana W. Jenkins
Lincoln County Clerk

Measure No. 21-49

Carmel-Foulweather Sanitary District

BALLOT CAPTION:

A 3-year local options operating levy for local sanitary control

Question:

Shall the C.F.S.D. levy \$.46/\$1000 valuation annually beginning 1998-99, for 3 years to develop sanitary solutions at the local level?

This proposed local option levy tax is to be imposed for a total of 3 years.

This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

Summary:

This measure may be passed only at an election with at least a 50 percent voter turnout. The existence of the Carmel-Foulweather Sanitary District allows for local control of sanitary issues in our communities. The last levy requested, and passed by voters, was in 1975. The C.F.S.D. has operated on that money since then. Now the District's operating budget has become critically depleted. With new funding the budget would allow the District, with input of ideas from the local community, to continue to develop strategies to maintain the health and the environmental well-being of the District. This levy, of \$.46/\$1000 valuation would raise approximately \$29,000/year for three years, for a total of \$87,000. Without funds from this levy the District is in danger of dissolution, which would result in county-level control of our community's sanitary issues. 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 the estimate.

Explanatory Statement:

This levy, of \$.46/\$1000 valuation would raise approximately \$29,000/year for three years, for a total of \$87,000. Without funds from this levy the District is in danger of dissolution (would cease to exist), which would result in county-level control of our community's sanitary issues.

At present the Carmel-Foulweather Sanitary District (CFSD) represents the local community concerning sanitation issues. CFSD typically meets once per month for meetings that welcome the public. The meetings are a forum that invites input from the community and discusses issues that are a concern to the District. CFSD's board consists of five elected community residents. The board members do not receive compensation for their time and services. It is strictly a volunteer basis. If CFSD did not exist then decisions concerning sewer systems and sanitation methods would be made outside the community, at the county level. Funding from this levy would ensure the existence of the CFSD, since monies are required to carry out month-to-month activities of the board. However, the major use of the funds is for developing solutions that will work to solve any of the community's sanitary problems.

The monies for any activities of the CFSD will come from the funds of this proposed levy, plus the small amount of carry-over funds from the 1975 levy.

IF EVER ANY ADDITIONAL MONEY WERE NEEDED A COMPLETELY SEPARATE VOTE OF THE COMMUNITY IS REQUIRED. THE CFSD CANNOT IMPOSE ITS OWN FEES OR TAXES WITHOUT SUCH VOTE OF THE COMMUNITY.

The purpose of this levy will be explained further at any of the CFSD meetings to be held before this election.

Submitted by:

Brian Wichner

Carmel-Foulweather Sanitary District

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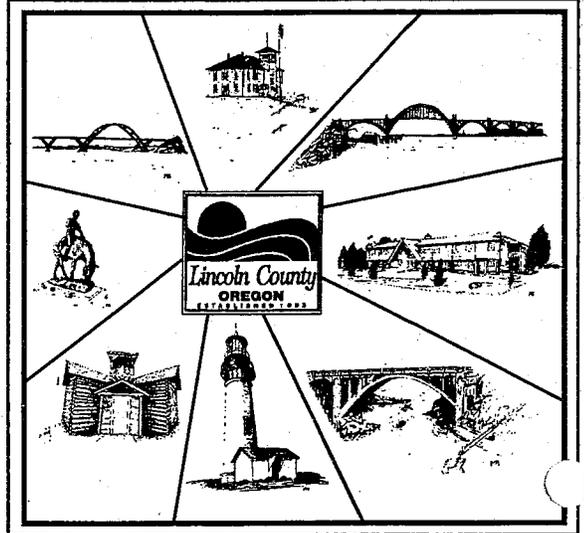
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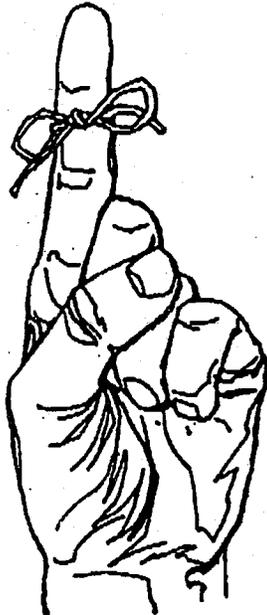
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remember...

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VOTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR MARCH 10, 1998 SPECIAL ELECTION

Examine your ballot packet to make certain it is complete. It should contain the following items:

- A printed ballot on which you may vote your choices;
- A secrecy envelope with voting instructions printed on it;
- A pre-addressed blue return envelope in which to return your ballot.

If any items are missing, contact the Lincoln County Clerk, 265-4131 and a replacement ballot will be sent to you.

VOTING YOUR BALLOT

Follow the instructions printed on your Secrecy Envelope.

If you make an error on your ballot, spoil it in any way or lose it, you may obtain a replacement ballot by contacting the Clerk's Office at 265-4131.

RETURNING YOUR VOTED BALLOT

Follow the instructions on the Secrecy Envelope. Fold your ballot along the pre-scored folds and insert it into the Secrecy Envelope.

Seal the Secrecy Envelope and insert it into the blue pre-addressed Return Envelope.

Seal the Return Envelope and **SIGN THE VOTER'S STATEMENT on the back of the envelope. Your ballot will not be counted if your envelope is not signed.**

Place appropriate first class postage on the Return Envelope and mail it so that it is received in the Lincoln County Clerk's Office by 8:00p.m. on March 10, 1998 or deposit your ballot at a designated drop site listed in this pamphlet.

IMPORTANT: YOUR BALLOT WILL NOT BE COUNTED IF IT IS NOT RECEIVED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE, OR A DESIGNATED DROP SITE BY 8:00p.m. ON MARCH 10, 1998.

Measure No. 21-50

City of Lincoln City

BALLOT CAPTION:

Amends Charter Allocation of Lodging Tax;
Restricts and Revises Uses

Question:

Shall City Charter dedicate 2/7 of lodging tax to VCB Fund tourism marketing, 4/7 to streets, parks, celebrations, visitor facilities?

Summary:

Charter presently provides 7 % lodging tax. 1/7 of tax pays bond debt. 3/7 goes to the Visitors and Convention Bureau Fund. 3/7 is for streets and parks. Charter does not restrict the use of funds going to the VCB Fund.

Amendment reduces VCB Fund share to 2/7, with use limited to marketing Lincoln City tourism. Amendment increases to 4/7 the share for streets and parks and allows use for celebrations, visitor signs, and visitor facilities.

Does not create new tax. Does not increase tax.

Explanatory Statement:

In 1991, the Lincoln City voters adopted a City Charter provision that established a 7% lodging tax. The Charter provision states that the tax revenues, after deduction of administrative expenses, shall be used as follows:

- 1/7 for payment of bond debt related to purchase and construction of the Library and Civic Center at Lincoln Square.
- 3/7 for deposit into the Visitors and Convention Bureau Fund.
- 3/7 for street, park, and related facilities construction and maintenance.

The Charter provision does not specifically restrict use of the 3/7 portion that goes to the VCB Fund. A City Attorney opinion states that this portion may be used to enhance or promote the City as a place attractive to

tourists, visitors, or conventions, including marketing the City as a tourist destination and providing services and facilities that significantly benefit tourists.

Since 1991, most of the 3/7 VCB Fund portion has been used to market the City as a tourist destination. The amount received from the 7 % lodging tax, however, has grown since 1991. As that amount has grown, there has been pressure to use some of the VCB Fund portion to provide services and facilities that benefit both tourists and year-round City residents. This has resulted, in recent years, in time-consuming and potentially divisive debates, during the annual City budget process, over whether, and to what extent, the VCB Fund should be used for purposes other than marketing the City as a tourist destination. The purpose of the Chapter amendment is to resolve this issue over the long term by doing the following:

- Reducing the portion of lodging tax net revenues going to the VCB Fund from 3/7 to 2/7.
- Restricting use of the VCB Fund 2/7 to marketing Lincoln City as a tourist destination.
- Increasing the the portion going to street, park, and related facilities construction and maintenance from 3/7 to 4/7.
- Authorizing the 4/7 also to be used for celebrations (such as the Fourth of July), for visitor-oriented signs, and for visitor-oriented facilities (such as additional port-o-potties at beach access points during the peak tourist season).

Using expected 1997-98 lodging tax revenues as an example, the use of funds under the present Chapter compares to the use under the proposed Charter amendment as follows:

Present Charter

Total Tax Revenues	\$2,210,000
Administrative Expenses	<u>120,000</u>
Net Tax Revenues	\$2,090,000

1/7 Lincoln Square Bonds	\$298,572
3/7 VCB Fund	\$895,714

Any purpose which will enhance or promote City as attractive to tourists, conventions.

3/7 Street, park, and related facilities construction and maintenance.	\$895,714
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Amended Charter

Total Tax Revenues	\$2,210,000
Administrative Expenses	<u>120,000</u>
Net Tax Revenues	\$2,090,000
1/7 Lincoln Square Bonds	\$298,572
2/7 VCB Fund	\$597,142

Marketing City as tourist destination.

4/7 Street, park, and related facilities construction and maintenance; and celebrations, visitor-oriented signs, and visitor-oriented facilities.	\$1,194,286
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The Charter amendment does not create any new taxes. It does not increase any taxes. The amendment will be effective beginning July 1, 1998.

Submitted by:
Christopher P. Thomas
City Attorney, City of Lincoln City

Argument in Opposition:

This measure clarifies the use of the Visitors and Convention Bureau's funds and reduces the funding from 3/7ths to 2/7ths of the transient room tax. While we agree this proposed language will clarify the City Charter and prevent the inappropriate transfer of funds from the VCB to other City Departments, we strongly disagree with the 33% reduction of the VCB funding and recommend a **NO** vote on this Measure.

Tourism is very significant to the economic health of Lincoln City. A recent study by an economist indicated 2500 jobs with a total payroll of nearly \$30 million is attributed to tourism in Lincoln City. There are by far more people earning a living from tourism businesses and from other companies serving the tourism businesses and their employees than any other business sector. In addition, tourism contributed nearly \$1.5 million to the 1997/98 City Treasury through the transient room tax after deducting 3/7ths of the room tax for funding the VCB. Tourism is the engine that drives our local economy and marketing is the fuel that powers this engine! With a growing tourism economy, we should be working to increase our marketing effort, not decrease it.

The VCB plays a critical role in our collective efforts to keep our economy healthy. Our local economy is primarily made up of small businesses. Their limited revenues do not allow them to advertise their businesses outside of the local area, or to promote Lincoln City as a vacation destination. It is the VCB's advertising and promotional programs that brings the customers for these businesses to Lincoln City during midweek and off-season periods.

The VCB's Visitor Center and printed brochures provide information and directions for these out-of-town visitors. For many businesses, the VCB is the sole means for marketing.

Keep Lincoln City's economy healthy. Vote **NO** on this Measure to maintain VCB funding at 3/7ths of the transient room tax.

(This information provided by Henry G. Gerdes, Lincoln City Lodging Association)

The printing of this argument does not constitute an endorsement by Lincoln County, nor does the county warrant the accuracy of truth of any statement made in the argument.

NO ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

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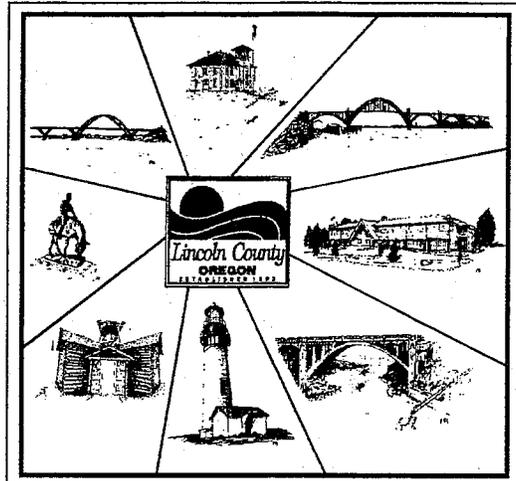
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CITY OF WALDPOR

**CITY COUNCIL, POSITION 1
TERM EXPIRES JANUARY 2001**

VOTE FOR ONE

HONEY SEARCEY

**CITY OF WALDPOR
SPECIAL RECALL ELECTION**

**21-R1 RECALL OF DAN
SAGAITIS, CITY OF WALDPOR
COUNCIL MEMBER**

**STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR
DEMANDING THE RECALL OF
DAN SAGAITIS, CITY OF
WALDPOR COUNCIL MEMBER:**

- Citizen lack of confidence.
- Lack of respect for his fellow councilors and citizens during city council meetings. Refusing to yield the floor when councilors and citizens are trying to speak.
- Voted for double taxation by multiple fire districts.
- Author of and voted for original sewer surcharge fee to include city fines and legal fee to be charged to sewer users based on water usage. Voted against removal of said fees. Claimed this surcharge was fair and equitable.
- Insensitive to citizens needs with a statement of "don't flush your toilet" to avoid higher water, sewer and surcharge fees.
- Apposition stance admirable and beneficial when the goal is public interest, carried to extreme it becomes detrimental.
- Voted both ways, Yes and No, on a issue brought before council.

**JUSTIFICATION OF HIS COURSE
IN OFFICE BY DAN SAGAITIS,
CITY OF WALDPOR COUNCIL
MEMBER:**

I serve on Waldport City Council with one purpose, to make lawful decisions in the best interest of the citizens. I spend numerous hours researching the issues to make well-considered decisions for the citizens.

In one year I have:

- Straightened out Waldport's financial chaos which had been going on for six years. The city now complies with local budget law and issues credible monthly financial reports.
- Stopped free business use of City property by a private corporation. This abuse had gone on for years.
- Stopped Waldport's use of incorrect sewer charges; overcharging low volume users for the last five years.
- Stopped formation of a rural fire protection district which did not include a tax base and tax rate. We have a right to know the cost of a proposed taxing district.
- Dissented on issues which violated law or were not in the best interest of the citizens. This is a democratic government where opposition views are expressed, not fascism which suppresses opposition.

Vote no! Keep Dan Sagaitis on Waldport's City Council.

QUESTION: Shall Dan Sagaitis, City of Waldport Council Member, be recalled?

YES

NO

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