Notice of Measure Election

City of Bend

Date of Notice: February 21, 2020
Name of City or Cities: City of Bend
Date of Election: May 19, 2020

Final Ballot Title: The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the city's voters. The ballot title notice has been published and the ballot title challenge process has been completed.

Caption: 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure.

Bonds for Traffic Flow, East-West Connections, and Neighborhood Safety Improvements

Question: 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure.

Shall Bend fund traffic flow, east-west connections, and neighborhood safety improvement projects citywide by issuing bonds up to $190,000,000? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Summary: 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect.

The measure authorizes the City to issue general obligation bonds up to $190,000,000 to fund projects to improve traffic flow, safety, congestion, and east-west connections citywide. A community oversight committee will oversee project proposals.

Projects include:
- Bend Market Road roundabout improvements
- Otsego Road and Roundabout, for use as US 97 Diversion
- Intersection at 2nd Street, Otsego Avenue, Menlo Avenue
- Butler Market Road
- Deschutes Avenue
- Silverton Avenue
- Transit Infrastructure improvements and related funds
- Key corridors and intersections
- Neighborhood safety improvements in cities
- Sidewalks and safe crossings near schools, parks, and jobs
- Protected bicycle and pedestrian network
- Intersection improvements

Bonds may be used only for transportation capital construction projects and related costs. These projects were selected by City Council based on recommendations from an advisory committee over the past two years. Bonds are limited to projects on the following list:

- Bonds would be payable from property taxes. If approved, the tax rate is estimated to increase by $0.47 per $1,000 of assessed value, or $70 per year for the average homeowner.

Explanatory Statement: 500 words that impartially explains the measure and its effect.

If the county is producing a voters' pamphlet an explanatory statement must be drafted and attached to this form for:
- any measure referred by the city governing body; or
- any initiative or referendum, if required by local ordinance.

Explanatory Statement Attached? Yes

Authorized City Official: Not required to be notarized.

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By signing this document:
- I hereby state that I am authorized by the city to submit this Notice of Measure Election; and
- I certify that notice of receipt of ballot title has been published and the ballot title challenge process for this measure completed.

Signature
Date Signed: February 21, 2020
The measure authorizes the City to issue general obligation bonds up to $190,000,000 to fund projects to improve traffic flow, safety, congestion, and east-west connections citywide. A community oversight committee will monitor project progress.

Projects include:

Reed Market Road corridor improvements
Murphy Road and matching funds for other US 97/Parkway on/off ramps
Intersections at 3rd Street, Olney Avenue, Revere Avenue
Butler Market Road
Empire Avenue
Wilson Avenue
Transit infrastructure improvements and matching funds
Key corridors and intersections

Neighborhood safety improvements include:

Sidewalks and safe crossings near schools, parks, and jobs
Connected cross-town bicycle network
Sidewalk infill on key routes

Bond proceeds can be used only for transportation capital construction projects and issuance costs. These projects were selected by City Council based on recommendations from an advisory committee’s two-year public process. Bonds may be issued over time in multiple series.

Bonds would be payable from property taxes. If approved, the tax rate is estimated to increase by $.47 per $1,000 of assessed value, or $170 per year for the average homeowner.