

# SPRINGFIELD ELECTION INFORMATION

## General Information

Welcome to the 2016 *Springfield Election Information*. This *Springfield Election Information* is to provide you with valuable information about candidates and measures that will appear on your ballot in Springfield, Oregon. Printed copies of the *Springfield Election Information* are available at the Springfield City Manager's Office, Springfield Public Library, and Springfield Justice Center.

## Candidates

Candidates for the City of Springfield Mayor and Council, Springfield Utility Board, Springfield Public Schools Board, and Willamalane Park and Recreation District Board may submit information for the *Springfield Election Information*. No other candidates will be included in the *Springfield Election Information*.

**Candidate statements are printed as submitted. The City does not correct punctuation, grammar, syntax errors or inaccurate information. The City may, but is not required, to correct spelling errors if the word as originally submitted is in the dictionary.**

## Measures

Measures, as well as arguments for or against measures, for the City of Springfield, Springfield Utility Board, Springfield Public Schools, and Willamalane Park and Recreation District may be submitted for inclusion in the *Springfield Election Information*. No other measures will be included in the *Springfield Election Information*.

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## Registering to Vote:

You may register to vote online at [www.oregonvotes.gov](http://www.oregonvotes.gov) or you can get a voter registration card at Lane County Elections, the City Recorder's Office (225 5th Street, Springfield, OR), the DMV, or other locations around the community. However, your voter registration card must be postmarked no later than 21 days before the election at which you intend to vote. In order to vote in Oregon, you must be at least 18 years old, a resident of Oregon and a citizen of the United States. An Oregon driver's license or state ID card issued by the Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is required. Registration Cards are available at Lane County Elections, the City Recorder's Office at the City of Springfield, and other locations around the community.

For the November 8, 2016 General Election, your completed voter registration card must be either:

- postmarked by Tuesday, October 18, 2016;
- delivered to a county elections office by Tuesday, October 18, 2016; or
- delivered to any voter registration agency (e.g. DMV) by Tuesday, October 18, 2016

If you register to vote online, your registration must be submitted by 11:59pm on Tuesday, October 18, 2016.

To check on the status of your voter registration or ballot, go to [www.oregonvotes.gov/MyVote](http://www.oregonvotes.gov/MyVote)

To find out more about how and where to register to vote, go to <http://sos.oregon.gov/voting/Pages/voteinor.aspx>

## Voter Information

In Oregon, elections are all vote-by-mail. Registered voters are mailed a ballot approximately two weeks before an election. To vote, follow the instructions on the Ballot Secrecy Envelope. Your return identification envelope must include your signature. Return your ballot by mail to any official ballot dropsite location or by mail to Lane County Elections, 275 West 10th Avenue, Eugene, OR 97401.

A list of drop site locations is included with your ballot material. Dropsite locations in Springfield include:

- Springfield City Hall, 225 5th Street: At the north end of the covered parking lot between 5th and 6th Streets
- Lively Park Swim Center, 6100 Thurston Road: Just past the front of the building to the left of the driveway.

Drop-boxes are open 24 hours a day up until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

## Resources

- Oregon Secretary of State's Office: [www.oregonvotes.gov](http://www.oregonvotes.gov) or call 1-866-ORE-VOTE (1-866-673-8683)
- Register to Vote: Register online by going to <http://sos.oregon.gov/voting/Pages/voteinor.aspx> or pick up a Voters' Registration Form at Lane County Elections (275 West 10th Avenue, Eugene), Springfield City Manager's Office or Springfield Public Library, 225 5th Street, Springfield. The deadline to register to vote for the November 8, 2016 General Election is October 18, 2016.
- City Recorder's Office: For information about the Springfield Election Information, contact the City Recorder at 541.726.4666 or [asowa@springfield-or.gov](mailto:asowa@springfield-or.gov), or visit the City Manager's Office at 225 5th Street, Springfield, Oregon. Office hours are 8:00am-5:00pm Monday through Friday.
- Lane County Elections: For information about your ballot and local voting processes, contact Lane County Elections at 541-682-4234 or visit their website at <http://www.lanecounty.org/Departments/CAO/Operations/CountyClerk/elections/Pages/default.aspx> Public office hours at Lane County Elections are 9am-Noon and 1:00-4:00pm Monday through Friday, and 7:00am-8:00pm on election day.

## **November 8, 2016 General Election**

### **Candidates:**

The positions on the November 8, 2016 General Election ballot include Springfield City Councilor Ward 3 (a runoff from the May 17, 2016 Primary), Springfield Utility Board Position #1, Springfield Utility Board Position #3, and Springfield Utility Board Position #5. The information in this guide was provided by the candidates who are scheduled to be placed on the ballot or their treasurer per the Springfield *Voter's Pamphlet Policy*.

Springfield City Councilor, Ward 3  
Sean Dunn



OCCUPATION: Senior Mortgage Specialist, *NMLS# 1254960*

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Chief of Staff in the Oregon State Senate;  
Business Development and Marketing

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from  
University of Oregon

PRIOR GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCE: Springfield Planning Commission;  
Springfield Transportation System Plan Code Implementation Project; Chief of Staff in the Oregon State  
Senate

I am passionate about Springfield, and I am asking for your vote so that together we can invest in  
Springfield's future while building upon its strong past.

**ENDORSED BY:**

**Recently re-elected Springfield Mayor Christine Lundberg  
Springfield City Councilors Joe Pishioneri, Marilee Woodrow, and Sean VanGordon**

I believe the Springfield City Council can work together to bring all parties to the table, regardless of  
political affiliations or differing views, in creating strong partnerships and effective policy for us all. I am  
passionate about local government and the direct impact it has on our day to day lives.

**I promise to bring a unifying approach to the Council.**

I want more families like mine to choose Springfield because of what we have to offer: our great  
hometown feel, strong schools, inviting parks, public safety, and family wage jobs.

**Springfield is open for business, and as a City Councilor I will work to bring this notion to life.**

Springfield is full of opportunity. With your vote, I will work actively for:

- Continued public safety that makes Springfield a great place for families.
- Proactive efforts in attracting family wage employers to our city.
- Supporting further revitalization of downtown and completion of the lighting project.
- Glenwood becoming the place we all know it can be, a beautiful river path and healthy  
environment anchored with jobs and community.

I am running for City Council because I am proud to live in Springfield, and want to be an active part of our  
future. I chose to live here, start my family here and I'm lucky to call Springfield home.

Learn more at [www.iSupportSean.com](http://www.iSupportSean.com) and stay in touch at [www.facebook.com/FriendsofSeanDunn](https://www.facebook.com/FriendsofSeanDunn).

STATEMENTS OF ENDORSEMENT: Christine Lundberg, Sean VanGordon, Marilee Woodrow, Joe  
Pishioneri

*This information provided by Friends of Sean Dunn*

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Springfield City Councilor, Ward 3  
Sheri Moore



OCCUPATION: Springfield City Councilor 2010-2016

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Elementary Teacher  
(26 years)

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: MS University of Oregon,  
BS University of Oregon, Tigard High School

PRIOR GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCE: Currently: Lane Workforce Board,  
LTD Emx Steering Committee, Springfield Budget Committee, Springfield Economic  
Development Committee. Council Liason to: Springfield Planning Commission,  
Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee, Springfield Historic Commission.  
2007-2010 I served on the Springfield Planning Commission.

**Civic Involvement:** Springfield Chamber of Commerce, Springfield City Club, Rotary, U of O Alumni  
Association, Lane County Master Gardeners, Eugene Christian Fellowship.

It has been a privilege to serve Springfield citizens these last six years. During my tenure the city in collaboration with local business has made amazing progress; a revitalized downtown with new businesses and murals, an \$80 million major renovation and addition at McKenzie-Willamette Medical Center, a \$45 million investment in The Shoppes at Gateway, Swansons Lumber and International Paper committing to our Lumber Industry, Roseburg Lumber moving their IT headquarters to our city. We continue working with our partners at Team Springfield as we support the new bike trails and park development at Willamalane and Springfield School District's renovations and a new Hamlin Middle School. The City has developed a downtown parking program to open up patron parking at businesses and this summer will begin working on a major redesign of Franklin Boulevard as a part of the Glenwood redevelopment.

I continue to look for ways to make our city great while keeping costs as low as possible and partnering with local businesses.

A special thank you to the amazing volunteers in our city and the many churches and nonprofits that contribute to the health and well-being of the community.

My husband and I have lived in Springfield for over thirty years. It has been my privilege to be a Springfield fan and promoter. I am asking for YOUR VOTE to continue serving you and moving Springfield forward.

#### STATEMENTS OF ENDORSEMENT

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Springfield Utility Board, Position #1  
David C. Willis

OCCUPATION: Agent State Farm Insurance –  
David C. Willis Insurance Agency, Inc.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:  
CASL/Chartered Advisor for Senior Living  
CLU/Chartered Life Underwriter  
ChFC/Chartered Financial Consultant

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:  
University of Utah, BA  
University of Utah, Masters of Social Work

Member: National Association of Insurance and Financial Auditors, Eugene Estate Planning Council,  
Society of Financial Service Professionals  
Member of Springfield Twin Rivers Rotary  
Member of Eugene and Springfield Chambers of Commerce, Government Affairs Committee  
Charter Representative Troop 91 Boy Scouts of America  
Active member of my Church, Husband, Father, Grandfather

Current Springfield Utility Board Member seeking another 4 year term to provide to our SUB clients **safe and excellent customer service, to keep rates low and affordable, and to support the community SUB serves.**

STATEMENTS OF ENDORSEMENT:

*This information provided by David C. Willis*

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Springfield Utility Board, Position #3  
John DeWenter



OCCUPATION: Retired since January 2014

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:

- October 1975-December 2013: Practiced law in Springfield, representing workers injured on-the-job and persons injured in accidents off-the-job
- January 1975-June 1975: Legal Counsel to Oregon Senate's Committee on Judiciary
- August 1973-December 1974: Deputy District Attorney for Multnomah County
- December 1972-June 1973: Legal Counsel to Oregon Senate's Committee on Judiciary
- October 1966-August 1969: U.S. Army (Infantry)-Advanced from Private to First Lieutenant and served with the Fifth Special Forces Group in Vietnam

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

- Purdue University (W. Lafayette, IN): Graduated in 1966 with a Bachelor of Arts degree, having majored in American History and minored in Economics
- Georgetown University (Washington, D.C.): Graduated in 1972 with a Doctor of Jurisprudence degree

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: I currently am a member of the Springfield Utility Board, having been appointed to fill a vacancy in April 2015. If elected, I will continue to work to provide safe, reliable and cost-effective electricity and water to the residents and businesses of Springfield.

Besides serving as a member of the Springfield Utility Board, my community service activities have included the following:

- President, Vice-president and member of the Board of Directors of the Springfield Academy of Arts & Academics
- Member of the Board of Directors of PacificSource Health Plans
- Chair and member of the Springfield Education Association
- Chair, Vice-chair and member of the Board of Directors of McKenzie-Willamette Hospital
- Chair of the Springfield Downtown Commission
- Member of the Board of Directors of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce
- Member of the Springfield City Club and the Eugene City Club

I have lived in Springfield continuously since 1975. I am married and have two children and two grandchildren. Both children completed grade school through high school in the Springfield School District.

*This information provided by John DeWenter*

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Springfield Utility Board, Position #5  
Pat Riggs-Henson



**Occupation:**

Semi-retired  
Northwest Youth Corps, Public Relations  
Chief Officer of the Lane County Labor Council, AFL-CIO (Volunteer)

**Occupational Background:**

Lane County 29 years, Retired 2008

**Educational Background:**

Graduated Roosevelt HS  
Virginia, Minnesota  
LCC 16 months Social Service/Art  
U of O Labor Relations Courses

**Governmental Experience:**

SUB Utility Board	Current Chair	
Lane Community College Board of Directors		Total of 15 years
PERS Board of Directors		10 years
Democratic Party of Lane County Chair		2 years

**Civic Experience:**

Springfield Rotary Executive Board

It has been a great pleasure serving on the Springfield Utility Board.

Our utility rates are one of the lowest in the State of Oregon and my goal is to keep the cost reasonable and the service there when you need it.

**Family**

Husband: Rick Henson  
Children: Monica Moonen, Robert Riggs, Zen Henson and Katie Henson  
Grandchildren: Kayla, Shawn, Nathan, and Ian  
Great Grandchildren: Conner, Aniyah and Calvin

I really enjoy serving you and look forward, if elected, to serving you for another 4 years

**STATEMENTS OF ENDORSEMENT:**

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There are two Springfield measures on the November 8, 2016 General Election ballot. The information in this guide was provided by the City per the Springfield *Voter's Pamphlet Policy*.

Ballot Measure No. 20-252

Caption: Imposes a 3 cents per gallon motor fuel tax increase

Question: Shall Springfield increase its motor vehicle fuel tax from 3 cents to 6 cents per gallon?

Summary: The City is responsible for maintaining a street system that provides safe and reliable travel, and supports business. Existing funding is inadequate to address the backlog of street repair and preservation projects. A 2015 street condition report determined that 51% of Springfield's streets are in poor condition. The proposed tax increase would raise approximately \$1.1 million per year and would be dedicated to the reduction of the backlog of street repair and preservation projects.

Approval of this Measure would increase the tax rate on motor vehicle fuel sold, used, or distributed in the City from 3 cents per gallon to 6 cents per gallon. An annual report would be published to document projects funded by the increased fuel tax revenue.

For more information go to [www.springfield-or.gov](http://www.springfield-or.gov)

Explanatory Statement:

Measure raises an additional \$1.1 million annually and allows the City to reduce a backlog of street repair and preservation projects through 3 cents per gallon motor fuel tax increase.

If approved by voters, the tax rate on motor vehicle fuel sold, used, or distributed in the City increases from 3 cents per gallon to 6 cents per gallon.

Street preservation is less expensive than street reconstruction. City repair and preservation projects would include slurry seal, overlay, restriping, crack seal, and other preservation projects to extend the usable life of the roadway on local, collector, and arterial streets within the City.

Revenue generated from a fuel tax increase would reduce the backlog of repair and preservation projects. No additional City staff would be employed as a result of this measure. Annual project reports published.

The 3 cents per gallon tax increase implemented no earlier than January 2017.

For more information about street repair and preservation projects go to [www.springfield-or.gov](http://www.springfield-or.gov)

*(Explanatory Statement provided by the City of Springfield)*

Vote Yes to Fix Our Roads Now!

Springfield has a long and proud history of maintaining our streets to keep citizens safe and ensure the free flow of traffic. However, over time, funding has not kept pace with our needs and the backlog of repairs is growing faster than we can fix.

Replacing streets costs taxpayers 10 times more than it costs to simply maintain them, and our streets are rapidly crumbling. In 2008, 19% of our roads were in poor condition – today that figure is much higher, at 51%, and an additional 29% are only in fair condition.

Measure 20-252 adds a 3 cent increase to the existing fuel tax and will raise an estimated \$1.1 million per year for our roads. This small increase is the most streamlined and fair method for generating the revenue we need to keep our roads in a safe condition.

Measure 20-252 includes common sense parameters:

- Funding will only be used for road repairs; not to fund new projects.
- The city will publish an annual report of projects completed.
- A list of the names of the streets to be repaired will be posted in the approximate order in which repairs will be initiated. The public can view and have an opportunity for input.
- The tax will provide a stable and consistent funding source to maintain our streets into the future.
- Local, private sector jobs will be created.
- This increase will make sure that everyone who uses the roads helps pay for them, including those traveling from out of town.
- The 3 cent increase will ensure that repairs are made along residential streets as well as high use roads.

As our community looks to the future, it is vitally important that we invest in things like our roads to ensure Springfield remains a place where businesses want to expand and where individuals and families can enjoy our hometown feel.

Paid for by the Fix Our Roads Now! campaign

Ballot Measure No. 20-254

Caption: Imposes 3% tax on marijuana retailers' sale of marijuana items

Question: Shall the City of Springfield impose a 3% tax on the sale of marijuana items by a marijuana retailer?

Summary: Under state law, a city council may adopt an ordinance to be referred to the voters of the city imposing up to a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items in the city by a licensed marijuana retailer.

The Springfield City Council enacted an ordinance imposing at 3% tax on the sale of marijuana items by a recreational marijuana retailer. The ordinance does not become effective unless approved by the voters.

If approved, this measure imposes a 3% tax on the sale of marijuana items sold within the City of Springfield by a licensed marijuana retailer. The tax would be collected at the point of sale and remitted by the marijuana retailer.

If approved, Section 7.1002 would be amended to add a subsection (3):

- (3) The amount of tax levied for recreational marijuana shall be 3% of the gross taxable sales of marijuana items by a marijuana retailer.

Explanatory Statement:

Approval of this measure imposes a 3% tax on the sale of marijuana and marijuana items sold within the City of Springfield by state-licensed recreational marijuana retailers. Medical marijuana items sold to registered medical marijuana cardholders under the Oregon Medical Marijuana Program would not be taxed. There are no restrictions on how the City may use the revenues generated by this tax.

Measure 91 was adopted by Oregon voters in November 2014 and amended by the Oregon Legislature in 2015. Under Measure 91, the Oregon Liquor Control Commission must license the retail sale of recreational marijuana. ORS 475B.345 provides that a city council may adopt an ordinance imposing up to a three percent tax on the sale of marijuana items (which include marijuana concentrates, extracts, edibles, and other products intended for human consumption and use) by retail licensees in the city, but the council must refer that ordinance to the city's voters at a statewide general election. The City of Springfield city council has adopted an ordinance imposing a 3% tax on the sale of marijuana items by an OLCC-licensed recreational marijuana retailer in the City of Springfield, and, as a result, has referred this measure to the voters. This ordinance does not become effective unless approved by the voters.

*(Explanatory Statement provided by the City of Springfield)*