

## NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE

Notice is hereby given that a ballot title for a measure has been received by the City Elections Officer, on July 20, 2015 for inclusion in the November 3, 2015 Special Election conducted by mail.

The ballot title caption is: **RENEWAL OF FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY SERVICES LOCAL OPTION LEVY**

An elector may file a petition for review of this ballot title in the Lane County Circuit Court not later than the seventh business day after the title is filed with the elections officer, deadline of 5:00 p.m., July 29, 2015.

## NOTICE OF CITY MEASURE ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, November 3, 2015, an election will be held within the City of Springfield, Oregon. The election will be conducted by mail. Lane County Elections will be open from 7:00 am to 8:00 p.m. The following shall be the ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the city's voters on this date:

**CAPTION:** **RENEWAL OF FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY SERVICES LOCAL OPTION LEVY**

**QUESTION:** Shall Springfield levy \$0.36 per \$1,000 of assessed value for five years beginning 2016/17 to staff fifth fire engine crew? This measure renews current local option taxes.

**SUMMARY:** Approval of this Measure would renew the Fire and Life Safety Local Option Levy that provides funding for personnel to maintain and operate one of the five fire engines crews serving the City. The current \$0.36 levy expires on June 30, 2015. All five engines are staffed with firefighter/ paramedics that respond to calls for emergency medical services and fire suppression.

The renewal of the levy at the same rate of \$0.36 would continue to provide personnel at one of the five stations. The staffing and operation costs include wages and benefits, safety equipment, vehicle and equipment expenses, dispatch and required fire academy training. The full cost of the operation of the fifth fire engine crew may actually be greater than the resources provided for by this levy.

A home in Springfield with an assessed value for tax purposes of \$144,000 pays \$51.84 in property taxes to support the current \$0.36 levy. The \$0.36 rate would not change under this proposal. Total estimated payments over the 5-year life of the special levy would be \$260.

The estimated total amount of the money to be raised by this levy each year are 2016/17 - \$1,525,115; 2017/18 - \$1,582,033; 2018/19 - \$1,661,389; 2019/20 - \$1,729,260; 2020/21 - \$1,804,571 for a total of \$8,302,368.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2015  
Amy Sowa  
City Recorder  
City of Springfield