

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE
PETITION NUMBER 3-392

BALLOT TITLE:

Voter Approval of County Resources for Public Rail Transit System

QUESTION:

Shall voter approval be required to use County Resources for financing, design, construction or operation of public rail transit system?

STATEMENT:

This measure requires an election before county resources can be used for the financing, design, construction or operation of any public rail transit system. The measure defines "county resources" to mean any public funds, staff time, lobbying agreements, property interest, tangible or intangible county assets. "Public rail transit system" is not defined in the measure. Any authority to use county resources gained through a voter approved ordinance is strictly limited to the authorization in the ordinance. Any measure submitted for voter approval must provide sufficient public notice of the authority granted. Notice must include the types of county resources authorized, permissible uses of county resources, estimated cash value of county resources used and duration of the authority. Sufficient public notice requires a certified ballot title that accurately summarizes the authority granted and a link to a detailed description hosted on a county website. If this cannot be accomplished, the county must provide such information by mail at least 21 days before the election. This measure would be effective immediately.

This ballot title was filed with the County Clerk of Clackamas County on Monday, January 9, 2012. Per ORS 250.195, a voter may petition for review of the ballot title in the Clackamas County Circuit Court not later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 19, 2012. Any voter filing a petition for review must also file a copy of the petition with the Elections Division, 1710 Red Soils Ct., Ste. 100, Oregon City, not later than 5:00 p.m. on the next business day after the petition is filed with the Circuit Court.