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Notice of Measure Election *Amended* District

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Notice			
Date of Notice 8/23/2017	Name of District Newberg Rural Fire Protection	Name of County or Counties Yamhill County	Date of Election 11/7/2017

Ballot Title Prepare with assistance from the district attorney or an attorney employed by the district.

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

Authorizes Dissolution of Newberg Rural Fire Protection District

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

Shall Newberg Rural Fire Protection District be dissolved in order to be annexed by Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue?

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

See attached.

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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 district governing body; or
→ any initiative or referendum, if required by local ordinance.

Explanatory Statement Attached? Yes No

Authorized District Official Not required to be notarized.

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By signing this document:
→ I hereby state that I am authorized by the district elections authority to submit this Notice of Measure Election and I certify the above ballot title is true and complete.



8/23/2017

Signature

Date Signed

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Newberg Rural Fire Protection District Dissolution Measure

August 22, 2017

Submitted to: Yamhill County Elections

Submitted by: Cassandra Ulven on behalf of NRFPD

BALLOT TITLE

Authorizes Dissolution of Newberg Rural Fire Protection District (8 words)

QUESTION

Shall Newberg Rural Fire Protection District be dissolved in order to be annexed by Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue? (19 words)

SUMMARY

This measure dissolves Newberg Rural Fire Protection District (Newberg Rural) so that its territory may be annexed into Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue (TVF&R).

Newberg Rural does not have any fire stations, land or personnel. Since July 1, 2016, TVF&R has provided fire protection and emergency medical services to Newberg Rural under contract.

Dissolution is contingent upon voter approval of a separate annexation measure. If Newberg Rural voters approve dissolution and annexation, all assets and liabilities of Newberg Rural shall be transferred to and assumed by TVF&R under the plan of dissolution available for inspection at the office of the Yamhill County Board of Commissioners. TVF&R will reinvest any proceeds from Newberg Rural's cash assets into future infrastructure that will serve the area.

Newberg Rural's permanent tax rate of \$.4329 per \$1,000 of assessed property value would be eliminated. TVF&R's permanent tax rate of \$1.5252, a local option levy of \$0.45 that expires on July 1, 2020, and bonded indebtedness of \$0.1047 (total combined rate of \$2.0799) would be levied beginning July 1, 2018. (174 words)

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Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet

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Filing Information

Election: Primary 20____ General 20 17 Special 11/7/2017 Measure # 36-187

Ballot Title Caption

Authorizes Dissolution of Newberg Rural Fire Protection District

Name of Person responsible for content of 'Explanatory Statement' (as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):

Cassandra Ulven

Name of Jurisdiction/Organization Person is authorized to represent (as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):

Newberg Rural Fire Protection District

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SIGNATURE

8/22/17

Signature of person responsible for content of 'Explanatory Statement'

Date

MEASURE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

See attached for 'Measure Explanatory Statement' (500 word/number MAX).

For Office Use only:

County: _____

Word Count (500 max): _____

Signed? Yes No

Digital copy? Yes No

'Measure Explanatory Statement' attached?

Review Staff Initials: _____

Yes No

Intake Staff Initials: _____

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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This measure dissolves Newberg Rural Fire Protection District (Newberg Rural). Dissolution is contingent upon Newberg Rural's voters approving a separate measure to annex into Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue (TVF&R). Under Oregon law, TVF&R may not annex properties within Newberg Rural unless Newberg Rural dissolves.

For decades, Newberg Rural had an agreement with the City of Newberg for the provision of fire and emergency medical services. The City of Newberg approached TVF&R for contract services in 2016 due to funding limitations that made it difficult to sustain adequate staffing, maintain equipment, and comply with national standards given increased service demands.

When the City of Newberg began contracting with TVF&R, services were extended to Newberg Rural to honor the historic arrangement. Since there are no fire stations in Newberg Rural's area, the City of Newberg subsidized fire and emergency services by having resources respond from the City. As part of the contract, TVF&R has provided additional firefighters, apparatus and equipment to improve coverage, response and medical transport services to the City and Newberg Rural areas. The City of Newberg is now seeking approval from its voters in the November 7, 2017 election to annex the City's territory into TVF&R.

Newberg Rural's board of directors hired an independent consultant to research options for Newberg Rural's future. Under most of the options considered, Newberg Rural would likely have to ask voters to approve a levy and/or bond since the existing rate of \$0.4329 per \$1,000 assessed value does not generate enough revenue to hire staff, invest in infrastructure, and cover operational costs. Newberg Rural's board decided that dissolution of the district and annexation to TVF&R would provide the most stable solution for long-term service to the area. TVF&R will reinvest proceeds from Newberg Rural's cash assets into future infrastructure that will serve the area.

If approved, Newberg Rural's permanent tax rate of \$.4329 per \$1,000 of assessed property value would be eliminated. TVF&R's permanent tax rate of \$1.52, a local option levy of \$0.45 and bonded indebtedness of \$0.1026 (total combined rate of \$2.0799) would be levied beginning July 1, 2018. TVF&R's local option levy expires on July 1, 2020. (357 words)

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