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tient advisory group, which includes a combination of patients and former patients – were emphatic that the clinic should stay in close-in northeast Portland.

“Many of our patients still live in this neighborhood,” Ginsberg said. Even those who now live in East Portland or other outer Portland neighborhoods generally favored keeping the clinic in Northeast, she added.

The new location is more spacious and will allow the clinic to serve more patients and hire more staff, Ginsberg said. The clinic will also be able to do

blood draws onsite. Previously, patients had lab work done at Legacy – and adding that extra leg to their visit created some additional difficulty for patients who come to the clinic from outside the neighborhood. The clinic has also switched to electronic health

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records, allowing providers to send prescriptions directly to a pharmacy, so patients don’t have to come to the clinic to pick up prescription forms.

Ginsberg said the building’s owners could easily have sold the property to a developer, and that she’s happy the new

space will be able to offer something positive for community members.

“We wanted to be a positive force in the community. Hopefully other changes will follow that will be good for the neighborhood.”

Ginsberg co-founded North by North-

east in 2006 with Pastor Mary Overstreet-Smith, who passed away in August.

The clinic’s first location was on North Williams Street and then moving to Garlington Center on MLK Boulevard. The clinic has always focused

on providing culturally competent care to African American patients, though patients of all races receive treatment there.

“I’m just excited to watch the patients come in and see their faces,” Ginsberg said. “It’s going to be beautiful. It’s for them and that’s a really good feeling.”

There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony at 2 p.m. Friday at 714 NE Alberta St. The Rev. T. Allen Bethel, Mayor Charlie Hales, PDC director Kimberly Schneider Branam, state senator-elect Lew Frederick, building owner Hasan Artharee, North by Northeast Board Chair Charlene McGee and patient John Washington will all be present for the event.

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DeLong specifically sought a grant to help pay for African American spiritual leaders to receive this training.

The clinical pastoral education department has also changed its usual education requirement for this internship.

Normally these graduate-level courses require bachelor’s and master’s degrees, but in this case, those who have been engaged in meaningful ministry regardless of education are welcome in the internship.

Guinn said that leaders in African American congregations often have a huge variety of schooling, from those who felt the call to preach but had no formal training to those who had gotten Ph.Ds in divinity.

DeLong said the requirements reflect this range of experience.

“I don’t want to say no to people who have been pastoring a congregation

and have all these skills and gifts, simply because they didn’t get a bachelor’s degree,” DeLong said.

Those who are interested in becoming chaplains are encouraged to contact DeLong at Legacy Emanuel Medical Center Spiritual Care and Education, (503) 413-4151 or visit [www.legacyhealth.org/cpe](http://www.legacyhealth.org/cpe).

Candidates can expect to meet with DeLong and pastoral education staff to undergo a vetting process to make sure they are the right fit for the role.

“Because this training program works with real people in real life situations, we really are concerned and careful about who we allow to have that kind of access to our patients, to our families,” DeLong said.

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defendants violated Fontaine Bleu patrons’ right to freedom of association. The initial tort claim also includes several case histories of Black-owned clubs being shuttered by the city, and alleges a historical pattern. Acosta ruled the historical allegations are immaterial to the substance of the case.

“The court finds Plaintiffs’ allegations relating to the City’s treatment of other nightclubs owned by and catering to black individuals, and playing music that attracts primarily black patrons, are material and pertinent. However, Plaintiffs’ purely editorial comments...are not relevant to a nightclub but, rather, relate to the treatment of black citizens of the City in general and are stricken,” the order reads. However, a paragraph of the complaint establishing that music is protected speech will not be stricken from the

suit.

But the other motions to dismiss were denied.

Attorney Jesse Merithew, who represents DeWalt Productions, which owned the club in the case, told The Skanner he expects to confer next week about scheduling a jury trial.

“We’re happy with it,” Merithew said. “The whole case is still there. We’re looking forward to getting this case before a jury.”

The city of Portland did not respond to a request for comment on this case.

The Fontaine Bleu, owned by African American promoter Rodney DeWalt, closed in 2014 following the fatal shooting of Portland resident Durieul Harris inside the club.

DeWalt Productions seeks economic damages in the amount of \$2.5 million, \$5 million in and punitive damages in the amount of \$15 million.

## Measure 97: a \$6 billion tax on sales – with no guarantee of how politicians would spend the money

**Measure 97 would impose \$6 billion in new taxes** on the sales of goods and services in Oregon, including everything from food, clothing, housing, utilities and gas to medicine and healthcare. The state of Oregon’s own nonpartisan study found that **Measure 97 would increase costs for a typical family by \$600 per year** and especially hurt those who can least afford higher living costs.

Despite Measure 97’s deceptive wording, there’s **no guarantee** that the money would go to education, healthcare or anything else. Measure 97 is **not a constitutional amendment**, so under state law, it cannot bind the Legislature’s spending decisions. The Legislature’s own top legal authority, the Legislative Counsel, stated that **the Legislature could spend the money “in any way it chooses.”**



**Kevin Richards**  
Fox Hollow Ranch, Madras

“Measure 97 would increase prices for all consumers and operating costs for every farm and small business. That’s why the Oregon Family Farm Association, the Oregon Small Business Association, and other groups representing farmers and small businesses statewide urge No on 97.”



**William D. Rutherford**  
Former Oregon State Treasurer

“Since it is not a constitutional amendment, Measure 97 cannot guarantee how the money from its tax on sales would be spent. The legislature could spend the money from Measure 97 any way it chooses.”



**Bobbi Frost**  
Harrold’s Dairy, Creswell

“Measure 97 would tax the sales of the basic things every family needs, like food, gas, utilities and medicine. That means all Oregon families would pay more and have less, and those who can least afford it – like seniors and those on a fixed income – would be hurt the most.”

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