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Hayward:

In favor of new public service building, proposed jail, increasing board size

By ANNE KERN
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Nancy Hayward is the incumbent contender for County Commissioner Position Number one and is running on her past record and present stands.

Hayward, a Democrat, comes out strongly in favor of the new public service building, the proposed jail and county library measures, and increasing the board size to five or more members.

In defense of the public service building, Hayward says it's warranted because the courts need use of the entire courthouse. She also says the building would "create space to offer more efficient services and better access to the public."

She adds that by constructing this building first, the county received much "unfair criticism" for neglecting the jail construction. Hayward insists there has been no negligence.

"When the plans for the public service building were made in the 1960's, the jail was under city administration.

We've only had the jail under country administration since 1973," she says.

Hayward, who seeks a second six-year term, favors the



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proposed jail ballot measure which she says is "the least expensive proposal which offers the resources we need."

Hayward also considers the extension of library services as "basic services." She says

she has supported consistently county-wide library services and worked to get this measure before the public.

On increasing the board size, Hayward says she has always supported a larger board mainly because "five people are more conducive to discussion and debate than three." In her opinion the present number of three people often get "locked in certain positions" and there's "little opportunity for reasonable debate."

She also says a larger board would allow "more opportunity for a variety of points of view to be represented."

Hayward stresses that she isn't sure five is "the magic number" and she would welcome any variations on the present board size.

In other issues, Hayward says she favors relying on an income tax to finance local government. She also supports the 1990 Plan but she says she believes "the plan needs to be under constant review."

Flynn:

'Do-what-the-people-want is campaign platform of former firefighter lobbyist

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Pat Flynn, retired firefighter and former lobbyist, is running for the Democratic nomination for Lane County Commissioner Position Number One because, "I find people are disgusted with government — concerned but disgusted, because government isn't listening."

Flynn is running on a "do-what-the-people-want" platform. He advocates "re-establishment of credibility with the people of Lane County."

Flynn says he favors broader representation though he adds it would be unwise to move to a larger board during the present "financial crisis." He says the present number of

three commissioners can effectively handle the jobs if they "spend their time doing the jobs they're charged with in the charter."

Instead of raising or adding taxes, Flynn advises the commissioners to "get a rapport with the public and then the financial problems can be dealt with."

Flynn, a cherry orchardist, says the 1990 Plan is too rigid and the courts are holding it as



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law, stating, "We need to develop something we can live with."

He also has a definite stand on the solid waste issue.

"Burying isn't the total answer to waste disposal," Flynn says, "but it will suffice for now." Although in his opinion there is a need to utilize waste, he says he doesn't think Lane County should foot the bill for research.

"As a county commissioner, I would build any building the public supported. I wouldn't hold back money or engage in any construction the public didn't want," Flynn says.

The "mathematics" of the jail proposal make Flynn opposed to it, and according to him, the proposed \$11.7 million bond issue will grow to \$20 million in 10 years. Outside of the mathematics of the matter, Flynn says he's not sure Eugene needs a big jail, emphasizing there are other options to look into, such as night courts.

Leuttich:

Demo doesn't think present board size an issue; sees big business as alternative revenue source

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Fred Leuttich, Democratic candidate for Lane County Commissioner, Position Number One, does not consider the size of the present board a campaign issue.

He says he sees "big business" as an alternative revenue source for the county, and feels that the influx of businesses would help with the unemployment rate, tax funding and the housing industry. He stresses that environmental controls would be required over businesses encouraged to come to this area.

Although he admits not knowing enough about the 1990 Plan and the Lane Council of Governments (L-COG), Leuttich says that planning is essential if the plan is flexible

enough to change. He says he is unsure about L-COG's effectiveness and wants to research the agency before he takes a stand.

Leuttich lists services for the elderly and public safety programs as prime fiscal concerns.

Leuttich says the county will need a new sewer system due to growth, and stresses cost comparisons between county and area districts as vital.

In his opinion the present compacting plant, an operation which he says could be self-supporting as scrap metal and other resaleables are marketed, will solve most of the future solid waste problems.

He believes county construction should be opened to private bid because the



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"county should not be in the building business."

Leuttich says the proposed county library is not a campaign issue and feels the peo-

ple of the county should decide its fate.

Concerning the jail proposal, Leuttich says that a new facility is needed, but according to him the commission has not proven that the people are getting the best buy for the proposed \$11.7 million bill.

Leuttich, a Lane County Sheriff's deputy since 1966, is running for public office for the first time. He was born in Van Nuys, Calif., grew up in Washington State, and moved to the Eugene area in 1962.

Leuttich attended Lane Community College and studied law enforcement and personal management. He was a reserve officer for the Lane County Sheriff's office from 1963 until he became a regular deputy in 1966.