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Nov. 3 General Election Endorsements of the NW Oregon Labor Council

BEAVERTON CITY COUNCIL

Councilor, Position 6: **NADIA HASAN**

CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner, Pos. 4: **KEN HUMBERSTON**

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner, Position 1: **MARGARET MAGRUDER**

GRESHAM CITY COUNCIL

Mayor: **EDDY MORALES**

Council Pos. 1 : **DINA DiNUCCI**

Council Pos. 3 : **VINCENT JONES-DIXON**

Council Pos. 5 : **DAVE DYK**

HILLSBORO CITY COUNCIL

Councilor, Ward 2 : **ANTHONY MARTIN**

Councilor, Ward 3 : **KIMBERLY CULBERTSON**

LAKE OSWEGO CITY COUNCIL

Mayor: **THERESA KOHLHOFF**

Councilor: **EMMA BURKE**; Councilor: **MELISSA FIRESIDE**

Councilor: **MASSENE MBOUP**

METRO COUNCIL

Councilor, District 3: **GERRITT ROSENTHAL**

Councilor, District 5: **MARY NOLAN**

SUPPORT MEASURE 26-218 GET MOVING 2020

\$5.2 billion bond includes safety improvements and public transportation expansions throughout 17 investment corridors across the Portland region. Funded by a 0.75% payroll tax on companies with more than 25 employees.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

Circuit Court Judge: **RIMA GHANDOUR**

SUPPORT MEASURE 26-214 UNIVERSAL PRESCHOOL NOW!

Add 1.5% income tax on households with income over \$200,000; 3% income tax on households with income over \$400,000; additional rate for households with income over \$200,000 to 2.3% in 2026.

SUPPORT MEASURE 26-211 LIBRARY BOND

Authorizes the county to issue \$387 million in bonds to finance library renovations. Funded by a property tax of \$61 per \$100,000 of assessed value to repay the bonds.

PORTLAND

Mayor: **TED WHEELER**

SUPPORT MEASURE 26-213 PORTLANDERS' FOR PARKS

5-year operating levy, \$0.80 per \$1,000 assessed value, beginning 2021, to fund recreation programs and park services.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

Commissioner, District 1: **NAFISA FAI**

Circuit Court Judge: **KELLY LEMARR**

WOOD VILLAGE

City Council, Position 2: **JAIRO RIOS-CAMPOS**

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Don't fall for fearmongering. Our ballots are more secure than ever.

Oregon's and Washington's mail-in voting is a model for other states.

By Don McIntosh

For more than six months, President Donald Trump has tried to sow doubt about mail-in voting. In tweets, mass texts, and public appearances, he's claimed voting by mail will lead to widespread fraud; that mailboxes will be robbed, ballots will be fraudulently signed, and millions of mail-in ballots will be printed by foreign countries and others; that the U.S. Postal Service, and election offices, won't be able to handle it. There's no evidence for any of that, and Trump hasn't offered any.

In fact, all the while, the Trump campaign has made a major effort to get Trump sup-



Photo by Motoya Nakamura, courtesy of Multnomah County

In the sorting room at the Multnomah County elections office, incoming ballot envelopes are placed in high speed sorters. AFSCME Local 88 member Roxanne Shive, a County Library employee helped in the May 2020 primary.

porters to vote by mail, sending them to a Trump campaign website that helps them request absentee ballots. Trump himself voted by mail this year in the Florida primary, and in 2018.

Of course, Oregonians have been voting entirely by mail since 2000, and Washingtonians since 2010. Colorado, Hawaii,

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New Pearl District neighborhood: union-built

Portland Mayor Ted Wheeler called it one of the most complex and ambitious development projects the City has ever taken on. In a 5-0 vote Sept. 23, Portland City Council approved a set of agreements on how to redevelop a massive former USPS mail processing facility. The agreement includes a commitment by the City's private development partner, Continuum Partners of Denver, to pay prevailing wage on construction, and have its general contractor negotiate a Project Labor Agreement committing to use union labor. It's projected that Prosper Portland and City Bureaus will contribute \$134 million over the life of the project,



The former mail processing facility at NW Seventh and Hoyt will be replaced with 12 blocks of affordable housing, parks and commercial space—built by union workers, and especially women and minority workers and contractors.

including \$38.6 million for demolition, site preparation, and relocation of the post office; \$12.4 million for streets, signals,

and utilities like sewers; \$36.6 million to extend the Park Blocks and construct part of a planned Green Loop linear park.