

## NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Josephine County Clerk has received a ballot title for a county measure, filed December 21, 2016, for inclusion in the May 16, 2017, election. The following ballot title has been provided by the Josephine County Board of Commissioners:

**Caption:**

Renewal of Local Option Tax Levy for Animal Shelter, Control

**Question:**

Shall Josephine County impose \$0.08 per \$1,000 assessed value for Animal Control and Animal Shelter for five years beginning 2017-2018?

This measure renews current local option taxes.

**Summary:**

Renewal of this tax levy would continue funding for the County Animal Shelter and Animal Control Services countywide. The five-year levy would replace the expiring three-year levy that ends in June 2017. The renewed levy would continue a fixed tax rate of \$0.08 cents per \$1,000 of assessed property value, which is unchanged from the current rate, and would run from July 2017 through June 2022.

Funds can only be used for the County Animal Shelter and County Animal Control Services.

The Animal Shelter provides food, care, and temporary shelter for homeless dogs, cats, and other animals impounded under law. The shelter also provides animal adoption services.

Animal Control investigates cases of animal abuse, neglect, hoarding, and abandonment. Animal Control enforces state and local laws that regulate dogs running at large and dogs that are dangerous or a public nuisance.

The approximate tax increase for a home valued at the Josephine County median residential property value of \$154,440 would be approximately \$12.36 per year.

The proposed rate will raise approximately \$596,900 in 2017-2018, \$618,090 in 2018-2019, \$640,030 in 2019-2020, \$662,750 in 2020-2021, and \$686,280 in 2021-2022, for a total of \$3,204,050.

The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of the estimate and may reflect the impact of early payment discounts, compression and the collection rate.

ANY VOTER dissatisfied with this ballot title may petition the Josephine County Circuit Court pursuant to ORS 250.195, no later than 4:00 p.m., January 3, 2017 (7 business days after filing of the ballot title with the County Clerk).

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