# **EXHIBIT C**

### Caption

Five-year levy to restore park services, repairs, recreation programs.

#### Question

Shall Portland repair, continue to maintain parks, playgrounds, pools; levy \$.39 per \$1,000 assessed valuation for five years beginning 2002? (This measure may cause property taxes to increase by more than three percent.)

## Summary

This measure may be passed only at an election with at least a 50 percent voter turnout.

Since 1997 Portland Parks and Recreation has had to reduce maintenance, repair, safety in parks, playgrounds, play fields, community pools and recreation centers, and reduce park restroom hours because park usage has increased, facilities have aged further, and resources haven't kept up.

The five-year serial levy will repair, restore safety at parks, recreation facilities, natural areas, trails; restore previous cuts and prevent additional cuts to recreation programs.

### Levy funds will:

Restore basic park maintenance including litter removal, restroom cleaning, mowing;
Correct urgent safety problems with playground equipment, play fields, community centers,
pools;
Repair some playing fields around schools in Centennial, David Douglas, Reynolds, Parkrose
and Portland school districts;
Prevent additional cuts to after-school tutoring, recreation activities, and summer playground
program – providing kids safe, constructive places to go.

If levy fails, park cleaning, repairs, recreation programs will not be restored.

Levy produces an estimated \$48.4 million over 5 years, averaging \$9.7 million per year. Levy is \$.39 per \$1,000 assessed home value.

A typical home pays \$59 per year, \$5 per month.