

EXHIBIT A**AN ACT**

A measure authorizing the City Council of the City of Portland to issue general obligation bonds in the amount of \$72,400,000 to provide funds for fire and emergency response vehicles, a public safety emergency radio system, a fire station, and an emergency response center, to be repaid from property taxes levied outside constitutional limitations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 7-201 and 7-203 of the Charter of the City of Portland, the Council is authorized to issue bonds on or after January 1, 2011, in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$72,400,000, which shall be general obligations of the City. The bonds may be issued in one or more series. The proceeds of such bonds shall be placed in a special fund to be established by the Council, and shall be used for capital construction, improvements and costs, which consist of: providing fire and emergency response vehicles that are needed to maintain existing service levels and replace aging fire and emergency response vehicles including a minimum of four rapid response emergency medical vehicles; providing funds for replacement of the City's obsolete public safety emergency radio system; providing a fire station and related facilities; and providing an emergency response center. If the bonds are to be issued in more than one series, prior to the issuance of any bonds subsequent to the first offering, the Chief Administrative Officer of the City shall present to Council a report on the Bond expenditures to date and a listing of any savings that have occurred due to lower than expected construction costs and/or apparatus replacement prices.

The City's use of the aforementioned bond proceeds shall be audited to determine whether the approved public purposes are achieved. The Council shall also appoint a five-member citizen committee with relevant expertise to review bond expenditures and provide annual reports to Council on whether such expenditures adhere to voter-approved uses. Each Council member shall recommend one member to serve on the citizen committee.

These general obligation bonds are specifically authorized, and shall not be counted as within the limitation of Section 7-204 of the Charter of the City of Portland. Taxes imposed to pay the principal and interest on indebtedness incurred through the issuance of these general obligation bonds for capital construction, improvements and costs shall not be limited by sections 11 and/or 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution, but rather are hereby specifically authorized and shall be in addition to all other taxes that may be levied according to law.

EXHIBIT B

Caption (10 words): General obligation bonds for fire vehicles and emergency response infrastructure (10)

Question (20 words):

Shall Portland issue bonds for \$72,400,000 for fire vehicles, emergency radio system, fire and emergency response facilities; require audits? (20)

If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Summary (175 words):

This measure would allow Portland to issue \$72,400,000 in general obligation bonds and use the proceeds to finance the acquisition of fire engines and other emergency response vehicles that are needed to maintain existing service levels and replace aging vehicles, provide funds for replacement of the City's obsolete public safety emergency radio system, finance the construction of a fire station and related facilities and finance the construction of an emergency response center. The bond proceeds would be restricted to capital construction, improvements and costs, and would not be used for day-to-day operations. Use of the bond proceeds would be audited to determine whether approved public purposes are achieved. Bonds would be exempt from city charter debt limitation. Bonds could be issued in one or more series; before issuance of bonds subsequent to the first offering, the City's Chief Administrative Officer would be required to report to Council on bond expenditures and cost savings. A five member citizen committee would be established to review the use of the bond expenditures and provide annual reports.

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EXHIBIT C**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT****Effect of Vote**

A “yes” vote would approve the City to issue general obligation bonds to replace aging fire and emergency response vehicles, provide funds for replacement of the City’s obsolete public safety emergency radio system, and construct a fire station and an emergency response center.

A “no” vote would reject the proposal to issue general obligation bonds to replace aging fire and emergency response vehicles, provide funds for replacement of the City’s obsolete public safety emergency radio system, and construct a fire station and an emergency response center.

Explanation of Measure:

The City is authorized to issue bonds, in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$72,400,000 which shall be general obligations of the City. The proceeds of such bonds shall be placed in a special fund to be established by the Council, and shall be used for capital construction, improvements and costs which consist of: providing fire and emergency response vehicles that are needed to maintain existing service levels and replace aging fire and emergency response vehicles; funding replacement of the City’s obsolete public safety emergency radio system; and providing funds for construction of a fire station and related facilities and an emergency response center. The City’s use of these resources will be audited to determine whether the voter-approved public purposes for the bond funds are achieved. A five-member citizen committee with relevant expertise will be established to review bond expenditures and provide annual reports to Council on whether such expenditures adhere to voter-approved uses. If the bonds are issued in more than one series, prior to the issuance of any bonds subsequent to the first offering, the Chief Administrative Officer of the City will present to Council a report on the Bond expenditures to date and a listing of any savings that have occurred due to lower than expected construction costs and/or apparatus replacement prices.