

**Parkrose School District
(Multnomah County, Oregon)**

RESOLUTION # 2024-Local Option #1

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN ELECTION WITHIN PARKROSE SCHOOL DISTRICT (MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON) REFERRING TO THE VOTERS A MEASURE IMPOSING A 5-YEAR LOCAL OPTION LEVY FOR OPERATIONS AND ADOPTING A BALLOT TITLE

WHEREAS, Oregon Revised Statutes Sections 280.040 to 280.145, authorize the District to impose a five-year local option levy to provide funds for classroom instructional staff of the District, subject to voter approval; and

WHEREAS, Parkrose School District (the “District”) has determined that there is a need to increase classroom instructional staffing of the District; and

WHEREAS, the District is proposing a 5-year local option tax that will be used for classroom instructional staff;

WHEREAS, the local option levy could generate an estimated \$3.5 million per year thus preventing further reductions to teaching positions and classrooms and providing the Parkrose community with an opportunity to do its part to fill the gap and put the District in a more stable funding position; and

WHEREAS, 100% of the funds from the local option would be used for classroom instructional positions; and

WHEREAS, annual reports to the public will ensure levy funds are spent as the voters intended; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors for Parkrose School District, as follows:

Section 1. An election is called to be held in Parkrose School District on November 5, 2024, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the District the question of a five-year local option levy for classroom instructional staff. The

amount not to exceed \$1.25 per \$1,000.00 of taxable assessed value beginning in 2025, the proceeds of which will be used to fund classroom instructional staff of the District.

Section 2. The election will be conducted by Multnomah County. The County Clerk for Multnomah County is hereby instructed to prepare the ballots and to take other actions necessary to conduct the election.

Section 3. The ballot title for this operating levy shall read in the form attached here to as Exhibit A (is a draft version of what needs to be finalized prior to June 24, 2024 board meeting).

Section 4. Ballots from the election shall be counted and tabulated and the results certified as provided by law. If the measure is approved by a majority of legal voters who vote on the measure, the local option levy shall be imposed and shall take effect July 1, 2025.

Section 5. The School Board authorizes the Superintendent or his designee as an authorized representative (the "Authorized Representative") to file a notice of levy election not later than August 6, 2024. Substantially in the form attached hereto and to act on behalf of the District and take such further action, including changes to the ballot title as are necessary to carry out the intent and purposes herein in compliance with the applicable provisions of law.

Section 6. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Parkrose School District, located in Multnomah County, Oregon this 22nd day of April, 2024.

**PARKROSE SCHOOL DISTRICT
MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

By:

Brenda Rivas, Chairman, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

By: _____

Michael Lopes-Serrao, Superintendent

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF MEASURE ELECTION PARKROSE SCHOOL DISTRICT MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN on August 6, 2024, that a measure election will be held in the Parkrose School District located in Multnomah County, Oregon on November 5, 2024. The following shall be the ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the district's voters on this date:

CAPTION:

Parkrose School District Levy for Teachers and Classroom Assistants (to be finalized by June 24, 2024)

QUESTION:

Shall district retain teachers, classroom assistants by levying one dollar and twenty five cents per one thousand dollars assessed value for five years beginning 2025?

SUMMARY:

The Parkrose School district currently estimates a \$3.5 million dollar budget shortfall for the 24/25 school year leaving the District unable to maintain current services and programs. A \$3.5 million dollar budget reduction is equivalent to eliminating 27 teaching positions or 19 school days.

The measure, if approved, would allow the District to raise approximately \$3.5 million dollars per a year to retain teachers and classroom instructional assistants.

The levy would fund approximately 25 - 35 educational positions (60% teachers, 40% classroom instructional assistants) focused on:

- Keeping class sizes low at the K-2 level
- Specialists to provide career oriented electives at middle and high school level
- One educational assistant in every kindergarten in District
- Meeting state mandates requiring that every elementary student have access to physical education

The measure would will raise approximately \$3.5 million at a rate estimated not to exceed \$1.25 cents per \$1,000 of taxable assessed value within the District for five years, beginning July 1, 2025. Actual levy rate may differ due to changes in assessed value, payment discounts, compression, and collection rate.

Signature of authorized District Election Authority

Date signed

Printed name of authorized District Election Authority

Title