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Attention

This is the beginning of your county voters' pamphlet. The county portion of this joint voters' pamphlet is inserted in the center of the state portion. Each page of the county voters' pamphlet is clearly marked with a color bar on the outside edge. All information contained in the county portion of this pamphlet has been assembled and printed by your County Elections Official.

Umatilla County

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Dear Voters,

This Voters' Pamphlet is provided for assistance in casting your vote-by-mail ballot. Local candidates and committees have paid to have their material printed here. Candidate statements are printed as submitted and not all candidates submit material. All federal and state candidates will appear in the states' section. Not all races will be on each ballot type.

Your ballot packet will arrive by mail approximately 3 weeks prior to election day. Enclosed you will receive your ballot, a secrecy sleeve and return envelope. To vote, completely fill in the oval to the left of the response of your choice. When you have completed voting be sure to **sign the voter's oath on your return envelope**. Your ballot cannot be counted without your signature.

If you lose or spoil your ballot you may request a replacement ballot by calling our office at the number listed below. One will be mailed to you provided the request is made with sufficient time for mailing. Otherwise, you may pick up a replacement ballot in person at the county elections office. Office hours are from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on election day. If you have moved or changed your mailing address you may update by going to www.oregonvotes.gov. All **new** registrations must be received or postmarked by October 18th.

Election day is November 8, 2022. Ballots must be received by 8:00 p.m. on election day in a designated drop box or postmarked by the USPS on that day. Ballot drop sites will be available from September 23, 2022 through election day. Ballot deposit locations and hours available for use are printed in this section.

Unofficial returns will be posted on our website at www.umatillacounty.gov after 8:00 p.m. on election day. For questions or assistance in voting please contact our office at 541-278-6254.

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Selected portions of this county voters' pamphlet are available in Simplified Chinese, Korean, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese. These translations can be found online at sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/vp-umatilla.aspx.

本县选民手册的部分内容提供简体中文版本。可以访问 sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/vp-umatilla.aspx，获取译本。

주 유권자 팜플렛의 선택된 부분은 한국어 준비되어 있습니다. 번역은 온라인 sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/vp-umatilla.aspx 에서 찾아볼 수 있습니다.

Отдельные части брошюр избирателей этого округа доступны на русском языке. С данными переводами можно ознакомиться в Интернете по адресу: sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/vp-umatilla.aspx.

Algunas secciones de este folleto para votantes del condado están disponibles en español. Estas traducciones están disponibles en línea en sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/vp-umatilla.aspx.

Các phần được chọn trong tập tài liệu cử tri quận này có bản ngôn ngữ tiếng Việt. Các bản dịch có thể xem trực tuyến tại sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/vp-umatilla.aspx.

In 2021, the Oregon Legislature passed the Voter Language Access Bill (HB 3021) requiring the Secretary of State to translate portions of state and county voters' pamphlets into Oregon's most spoken languages. The law seeks to remove barriers to voting for those who are not fully proficient in English. The bill's requirements are being implemented for the first time this election.

To help in this effort, the Translation Advisory Council was created. The Council is made up of volunteer community members who represent the ethnic, linguistic, and cultural diversity of Oregon voters. Council members make sure translations are accurate and retain the original tone and meaning in a culturally appropriate manner.

OFFICIAL BALLOT DROP SITES

Location	Days	Hours
COUNTY COURTHOUSE 216 SE 4 th St. #18 basement COUNTY COURTHOUSE MAIN PARKING LOT(s) Pendleton	Monday – Friday Election Day	8:00a.m.-5:00p.m. 7:00a.m.-8:00p.m. 24 HOURS DAILY
STAFFORD HANSELL CENTER 915 SE Columbia Dr.(curbside island drive up) Hermiston		24 HOURS DAILY
MILTON-FREEWATER CITY HALL/ POLICE STATION 722 S Main (curbside island drive up) Milton-Freewater		24 HOURS DAILY
NIXYAAWII GOVERNANCE CENTER 46411 Timine Way Pendleton		24 HOURS DAILY
UMATILLA CITY HALL 700 6 th St (walk up box at backside of building) Umatilla		24 HOURS DAILY
STANFIELD CITY HALL 160 S Main St. (walk up box at front of building) Stanfield		24 HOURS DAILY
PILOT ROCK CITY HALL 144 N alder Pl. (walk up box at front of building) Pilot Rock		24 HOURS DAILY
ATHENA CITY HALL 215 S 3 rd St. (walk up box next to entry) Athena		24 HOURS DAILY
ECHO CITY HALL 20 S. BONANZA ST- On the corner of Bonanza and Bridge St Echo		24 HOURS DAILY

Ballot Title

30-152

PROHIBITS PSILOCYBIN-RELATED BUSINESSES WITHIN THE CITY OF UMATILLA.

QUESTION: Shall the City of Umatilla prohibit psilocybin-related businesses within the city?

SUMMARY: State law permits persons licensed, controlled, and regulated by the State to legally manufacture psilocybin products and provide psilocybin services to persons 21 years of age and older. Psilocybin is a hallucinogenic chemical that is obtained from certain types of fresh and dried mushrooms. State law authorizes the governing bodies of cities and counties to adopt ordinances to be referred to voters that prohibit the establishment of psilocybin product manufacturers and psilocybin service center operators within the area subject to the city or county's jurisdiction. The City of Umatilla is referring to the voters an ordinance that will prohibit the establishment of psilocybin product manufacturers and psilocybin service center operators within the City of Umatilla.

Explanatory Statement

In November 2020, Oregon voters approved Ballot Measure 109, known as the Oregon Psilocybin Service Act (codified as ORS 475A). Psilocybin is a hallucinogenic chemical that is obtained from certain types of fresh and dried mushrooms.

Measure 109 provides that the Oregon Health Authority shall license and regulate the manufacturing, transportation, delivery, sale, and purchase of psilocybin products and administration of psilocybin at licensed service centers.

A city council may adopt an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of psilocybin-related businesses within the City, but the council must refer the ordinance to the voters at a statewide general election. The City of Umatilla city council has adopted an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of psilocybin service centers and psilocybin manufacture within the City and, as a result, has referred this measure to the voters.

The authority to impose a tax or fee on the manufacturing or sale of psilocybin products or the provision of psilocybin services in Oregon is vested solely in the Legislative Assembly. Additionally, Measure 109 prohibits a city from adopting or enacting an ordinance imposing a tax or fee on psilocybin manufacturing or the provision of psilocybin services. Consequently, approval of this measure should not have any revenue impacts on the City.

A vote of "Yes" would prohibit the establishment and operation of psilocybin-related businesses within the City of Umatilla.

A vote of "No" would allow the establishment and operation of psilocybin-related businesses within the City of Umatilla starting January 2, 2023.

(This information furnished by David Stockdale, City manager.)

Ballot Title

30-153

PROHIBITS PSILOCYBIN-RELATED BUSINESSES WITHIN THE CITY OF HERMISTON.

QUESTION: Shall the City of Hermiston prohibit psilocybin-related businesses within the city?

SUMMARY: State law permits persons licensed, controlled and regulated by the State to legally manufacture psilocybin products and provide psilocybin services to persons 21 years of age and older. Psilocybin is a hallucinogenic chemical that is obtained from certain types of fresh and dried mushrooms. State law authorizes the governing bodies of cities and counties to adopt ordinances to be referred to the voters that prohibit the establishment of psilocybin product manufacturers and psilocybin service center operators within the area subject to the city or counties jurisdiction. The City of Hermiston is referring to the voters an ordinance prohibiting psilocybin product manufacturers and psilocybin service center operators within the City.

Approval of this measure would prohibit the establishment of psilocybin product manufacturers and psilocybin service center operators within the area subject to the jurisdiction of the city.

Explanatory Statement

In November 2020, Oregon voters approved Ballot Measure 109, known as the Oregon Psilocybin Service Act (codified as ORS 475A). Psilocybin is a hallucinogenic chemical that is obtained from certain types of fresh and dried mushrooms.

Measure 109 provides that the Oregon Health Authority shall license and regulate the manufacturing, transportation, delivery, sale and purchase of psilocybin products and administration of psilocybin at licensed service centers.

A city council may adopt an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of psilocybin related businesses within the city, but the council must refer the ordinance to the voters at a statewide general election. The City of Hermiston city council has adopted an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of psilocybin service centers and psilocybin manufacture within the city and, as a result, has referred this measure to the voters.

The authority to impose a tax or fee on the manufacturing or sale of psilocybin products, or the provision of psilocybin services in Oregon is vested solely in the Legislative Assembly. Additionally, Measure 109 prohibits a city from adopting or enacting an ordinance imposing a tax or fee on psilocybin manufacturing or the provision of psilocybin services. Consequently, approval of this measure should not have any revenue impacts on the City.

A vote of "Yes" would prohibit the establishment and operation of psilocybin-related businesses within the City of Hermiston.

A vote of "No" would allow the establishment and operation of psilocybin-related businesses within the City of Hermiston starting January 2, 2023.

(This information furnished by Richard S. Tovey, City Attorney.)

Measure 30-154 City of Echo

Ballot Title

30-154

TO PROHIBIT PSILOCYBIN-RELATED BUSINESSES WITHIN THE CITY OF ECHO.

QUESTION: Shall the City of Echo prohibit (Ban) psilocybin-related businesses within the City limits?

SUMMARY: State Law allows operation to manufacturer, distribution and possession of psilocybin and psilocin.

State Law provides that the Echo City Council may adopt an ordinance to be referred to the voters to prohibit (Ban) the establishment of any of those registered or licensed activities.

Approval of this measure would prohibit (Ban) the establishment of psilocybin product manufacturers and or psilocybin service center operators within the jurisdiction of the City of Echo.

Explanatory Statement

Approval of this measure would prohibit (Ban) the establishment and operation of psilocybin-related businesses within the City of Echo.

The Echo City Council has adopted an ordinance prohibiting (banning) the establishment of psilocybin-related businesses within the City of Echo. As a result of this action, they must refer this measure to the voters.

If the measure is approved, the City of Echo would prohibit (ban) psilocybin-related businesses within its jurisdiction.

(This information furnished by David Slaght, City Administrator, City of Echo.)

Ballot Title

30-155

PROHIBITS PSILOCYBIN-RELATED BUSINESSES WITHIN THE CITY OF PILOT ROCK.

QUESTION: Shall the City of Pilot Rock prohibit psilocybin-related businesses within the City?

SUMMARY: State law permits persons licensed, controlled and regulated by the State to legally manufacture psilocybin products and provide psilocybin services to persons 21 years of age and older. Psilocybin is a hallucinogenic chemical that is obtained from certain types of fresh and dried mushrooms. State law authorizes the governing bodies of cities and counties to adopt ordinances to be referred to the voters that prohibit the establishment of psilocybin product manufacturers and psilocybin service center operators within the area subject to the city or counties jurisdiction. The City of Pilot Rock is referring to the voters an ordinance prohibiting psilocybin product manufacturer and psilocybin service center operators within City limits.

Explanatory Statement

In November 2020, Oregon voters approved Ballot Measure 109, known as the Oregon Psilocybin Service Act (codified at ORS 475A), which allows for the manufacture, delivery and administration of psilocybin at licensed facilities. The vote in Umatilla County on Ballot Measure 109 was 11,330 (36%) in favor and 20,126 (64%) in opposition. ORS 475A.235 provides that the Oregon Health Authority will regulate the manufacturing, transportation, delivery, sale and purchase of psilocybin products and the provision of psilocybin services in the state. The Oregon Health Authority has initiated a rulemaking process to implement the state's psilocybin regulatory program and intends to begin accepting applications for psilocybin-related licenses on January 2, 2023. As of this date, the Oregon Health Authority has not completed the rulemaking process for implementing the state's psilocybin regulatory program, and the City of Pilot Rock is uncertain how the manufacture, delivery and administration of psilocybin at licensed psilocybin facilities will operate with the city. ORS 475A.718 provides that a city council may adopt an ordinance to be referred to the electors of the city prohibiting the establishment of state licensed psilocybin product manufacturers and/or psilocybin service centers in the area subject to the jurisdiction of the city. The City Council seeks to refer to the voters of the City of Pilot Rock the question of whether to establish a ban on state-licensed psilocybin product manufacturers and psilocybin service centers within the city's jurisdictional boundaries.

(This information furnished by Teri L Bacus, Election Officer, City of Pilot Rock.)

Ballot Title

30-156

PROHIBITS PSILOCYBIN-RELATED BUSINESSES WITHIN THE CITY OF MILTON-FREEWATER.

QUESTION: Shall the City of Milton-Freewater prohibit psilocybin-related businesses within the City?

SUMMARY: State law permits persons licensed, controlled and regulated by the State to legally manufacture psilocybin products and provide psilocybin services to persons 21 years of age and older. Psilocybin is a hallucinogenic chemical that is obtained from certain types of fresh and dried mushrooms. State law authorizes the governing bodies of cities to adopt ordinances to be referred to the voters that prohibit the establishment of psilocybin product manufacturers and psilocybin service center operators within the area subject to the city's jurisdiction. The City of Milton-Freewater is referring to the voters an ordinance prohibiting psilocybin product manufacturers and psilocybin service center operators with in the City. Approval of this measure would prohibit the establishment of psilocybin product manufacturers and psilocybin service center operators within the area subject to the jurisdiction of the City.

Explanatory Statement

In November 2020 Oregon Voters approved Ballot Measure 109, known as the Oregon Psilocybin Service Act (codified as ORS 475A). Psilocybin is a hallucinogenic chemical that is obtained from certain types of fresh and dried mushrooms.

Measure 109 provides that the Oregon Health Authority shall license and regulate the manufacturing, transportation, delivery, sale and purchase of psilocybin products and administration of psilocybin at licensed service centers.

A city council may adopt an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of psilocybin related businesses within the city, but the council must refer the ordinance to the voters at a statewide general election. The City of Milton-Freewater city council has adopted an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of psilocybin service centers and psilocybin manufacture within the city and, as a result, has referred this measure to the voters.

The authority to impose a tax or fee on the manufacturing or sale of psilocybin products, or the provision of psilocybin service in Oregon is vested solely in the Legislative Assembly.

Additionally, Measure 109 prohibits a city from adopting or enacting an ordinance imposing a tax or fee on psilocybin manufacturing or the provision of psilocybin services. Consequently, approval of this measure should not have any revenue impacts on the City.

A vote of "Yes" would prohibit the establishment and operation of psilocybin-related businesses within the City of Milton-Freewater.

A vote of "No" would allow the establishment and operation of psilocybin related businesses with the City of Milton-Freewater starting January 2, 2023.

(This information furnished by Leanne Steadman, City Recorder, City of Milton-Freewater.)

Measure 30-157

City of Athena

Ballot Title

30-157

PROHIBITS PSILOCYBIN-RELATED BUSINESSES WITHIN THE CITY OF ATHENA.

QUESTION: Shall the City of Athena prohibit psilocybin service centers and the manufacture of psilocybin products within Athena's jurisdictional boundaries?

SUMMARY: State law allows operation, manufacturing, distribution and possession of psilocybin and psilocin. State law provides that a City Council may adopt an Ordinance to be referred to the voters to prohibit the establishment of any of those registered or licensed activities.

Approval of this measure would prohibit the establishment of psilocybin service centers and manufacture of psilocybin products within Athena's jurisdictional boundaries.

Explanatory Statement

Approval of this measure would prohibit psilocybin service centers and the manufacture of psilocybin products within the City of Athena. Psilocybin is a drug derived from certain mushrooms. Oregon voters legalized psilocybin through Ballot Measure 109 (2020) which directs the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to develop a psilocybin licensing and regulatory program for the State by January 2, 2023.

Ballot Measure 109 (2020) allows a local government to adopt an Ordinance to be referred to the voters that prohibits the establishment of certain licensed psilocybin-related businesses. The City Council of the City of Athena has adopted Ordinance #2022-07 declaring a ban on psilocybin service centers and the manufacture of psilocybin products within the jurisdictional boundaries of the city and referred the Ordinance to the voters. A "Yes" vote means psilocybin-related businesses are prohibited within Athena. A "No" vote means that psilocybin-related businesses would not be prohibited within Athena.

(This information furnished by Michelle Fox, City Recorder, City of Athena.)

Measure 30-158 Umatilla School District #6R

Ballot Title

30-158

BONDS TO PROVIDE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BUILDING AND CTE SPACES

QUESTION: Shall the District issue up to \$45,200,000 in bonds to build school buildings and CTE spaces; receive \$4,000,000 matching grant? 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: Umatilla School District proposes a bond measure not to exceed a principal amount of \$45.2 million and will receive state matching funds of \$4 million if bonds are approved.

If approved this measure would finance capital costs, including:

- Construction of new intermediate (grades 4-6) school building on South Hill to support increased students, including full-sized gym and increased playing field access.
- Updates to CTE building for Clara Brownell MS.
- Construction of new CTE building at Umatilla HS, including future expansion space for classrooms and additional gym.
- Renovation of McNary Heights ES to become a K 3 school.
- Site improvements, demolition, furnishings, equipment, bond issuance costs.

Bonds may be issued in multiple series; each maturing within 31 years from issuance. The estimated initial, annual tax rate is \$1.19 per \$1,000 of assessed value with an estimated total annual tax rate of \$2.12/\$1,000 of assessed value for all District general obligation bonds. Actual levy rate may differ due to final interest rates and changes in assessed value.

- A new Career Technical Education building at Umatilla High School with room for expansion,
- Renovations to the current shop space at Umatilla High to convert it into elective and classroom spaces for Clara Brownell Middle School,
- Transition of Clara Brownell Middle School to a 7-8 building, and
- Site projects, demolition, furnishings, equipment and bond issuance costs.

How Was This Plan Developed? A facility review was conducted by an outside agency to assess facility needs, and a community group created a long-term facility plan for the District.

What Will the Bond Cost? The Umatilla School District projects are currently estimated to cost a total of \$49.2 million. The District has obtained Oregon School Facility Matching dollars in the amount of \$4 million to off-set the costs; however, the voters must pass the \$45.2 million bond to receive the \$4 million from the State. This bond measure is estimated to cost property tax payers in Umatilla School District an average of \$1.19/ \$1,000 of assessed value. This would change the assessed value of all District general obligation bonds to \$2.12/ \$1,000 of assessed value, which is \$1.01/\$1,000 of assessed value less than the estimated tax rate impact of the bonds passed in 2016. Actual levy rates may be different due to final interest rates and changes in assessed value.

How Will the Public Be Informed of Progress? Should the bond measure pass, the Umatilla School District would report progress on bond projects monthly to citizens as part of the regular school board meetings and would also provide periodic mailings with construction and renovation updates.

(This information furnished by Heidi A. Sipe, Superintendent, Umatilla School District #6R.)

Explanatory Statement

Summary of the Situation: In 2016, voters passed the issuance of a bond measure to renovate Clara Brownell Middle and update systems, replace roofing, and provide secure entry vestibules in each building. The estimated cost to voters was \$3.133/\$1,000 of assessed value. Due to the growth in the community since 2016, property tax payers are currently paying \$0.93/\$1,000 of assessed value for the approved 2016 bonds rather than the estimated \$3.133/\$1,000. Community growth allowed for the reduction in costs to individual property tax payers; it also has increased student enrollment.

The City of Umatilla estimates another 1,500 homes will be built in Umatilla over the next ten years, resulting in an estimated student increase of approximately 500 students. Current District school facilities lack the capacity to serve this growth.

What Would the Bonds Do? If passed by voters, the \$45.2 million of bonds and \$4 million matching grant already approved by the State would provide additional buildings and restructured learning spaces to support growth.

Proceeds from the proposed bond measure are expected to provide:

- A new 4-6 school building on South Hill including a full-sized gym and playing fields with room for expansion,
- Renovations to convert McNary Heights Elementary to a K-3 building,

Measure 30-159

City of Stanfield

Ballot Title

30-159

PROHIBITS PSILOCYBIN-RELATED BUSINESSES WITHIN THE CITY OF STANFIELD.

QUESTION: Shall the City of Stanfield prohibit psilocybin-related businesses within the City of Stanfield?

SUMMARY: State law allows operation manufacturer, distribution and possession of psilocybin and psilocin. State law provides that the Stanfield City Council may adopt an ordinance to be referred to the voters to prohibit the establishment of any of those registered or licensed activities.

Approval of this measure would prohibit the establishment of psilocybin product manufacturers and/or psilocybin service center operators within the area subject to the jurisdiction of the City of Stanfield.

Explanatory Statement

Approval of this measure would prohibit the establishment and operation of psilocybin-related businesses within the City of Stanfield.

A city council may adopt an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of psilocybin related businesses within the city, but the council must refer the ordinance to the voters at a state-wide general election. The CITY OF STANFIELD city council has adopted an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of psilocybin-related businesses within the city and, as a result, has referred this measure to the voters.

If approved, this measure would prohibit psilocybin-related businesses within the City of Stanfield.

(This information furnished by Benjamin Burgener, City Manager, City of Stanfield.)

Ballot Title

30-160

PROHIBITS PSILOCYBIN-RELATED BUSINESSES WITHIN THE CITY OF PENDLETON.

QUESTION: Shall the City of Pendleton prohibit psilocybin-related businesses in the City of Pendleton?

SUMMARY: State law allows operation manufacturer, distribution, and possession of psilocybin and psilocin. State law provides that a City Council may adopt an ordinance to be referred to the voters to prohibit the establishment of any of those registered or licensed activities.

Approval of this measure would prohibit the establishment of psilocybin product manufacturers and/or psilocybin service center operators within the area subject to the jurisdiction of the City.

Explanatory Statement

Approval of this measure would prohibit the establishment and operation of psilocybin-related businesses within the City of Pendleton.

A City Council may adopt an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of psilocybin related businesses within the City, but the council must refer the ordinance to the voters at a statewide general election. The City Council of the City of Pendleton has adopted an ordinance prohibiting the establishment of psilocybin-related businesses within the City and, as a result, has referred this measure to the voters.

If approved, this measure would prohibit psilocybin-related businesses within the City of Pendleton.

(This information furnished by Andrea Denton, City Recorder, City of Pendleton.)

Ballot Title

30-161

FIVE-YEAR LOCAL OPTION TAX FOR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES

QUESTION: Shall the District impose \$0.9385 per \$1,000 of assessed value for contract fire protection services for five years beginning 2023-24?

SUMMARY: This measure would authorize the District to levy property tax at a rate of \$0.9385 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation each year commencing with the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 for five consecutive years. The proposed rate would raise approximately \$57,000 in tax revenues in each of the five years of the levy. The District would use the tax revenue from this measure to satisfy obligation to the City of Pendleton for contracted fire protection services within District boundaries. Without funding from this measure it is likely that the District will be unable to pay for contracted fire protection services, during the period of the proposed local option tax, from the City of Pendleton which would have a negative impact on residents of the District. Without contracted fire protection services there is the potential for increased homeowners insurance rates for residents of the District.

Explanatory Statement

This measure would authorize the District to levy property tax at a rate of \$0.9385 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation each year commencing with the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 for five consecutive years. The proposed rate would raise approximately \$57,000 in tax revenues in each of the five years of the levy. The District would use the tax revenue from this measure to satisfy obligation to the City of Pendleton for contracted fire protection services within District boundaries. Without funding from this measure it is likely that the District will be unable to pay for contracted fire protection services, during the period of the proposed local option tax, from the City of Pendleton which would have a negative impact on residents of the District. Without contracted fire protection services there is the potential for increased homeowners insurance rates for residents of the District.

(This information furnished by Beth Harrison, Vice-Chairperson.)

Measure 30-162 Umatilla County

Ballot Title

30-162

BAN OF CERTAIN PSILOCYBIN BUSINESSES IN UNINCORPORATED UMATILLA COUNTY

QUESTION: Shall psilocybin manufacturers and service centers be banned from operating in unincorporated areas of Umatilla County?

SUMMARY: Psilocybin is a psychedelic drug found in certain mushrooms. Oregon state law allows for the licensed manufacturing and supervised use of psilocybin in licensed service centers. Oregon state law also provides that a county governing body may adopt an ordinance to be referred to the voters, to prohibit the establishment of these businesses within the areas subject to the jurisdiction of the county.

The Umatilla County Board of Commissioners has adopted an ordinance to refer to the voters that prohibits the establishment of psilocybin product manufacturers and service centers in the unincorporated areas of Umatilla County. Approval of this measure would prohibit the establishment of psilocybin manufacturers and service center operators within the unincorporated areas of Umatilla County.

A yes vote in favor of this measure will prohibit the certain psilocybin businesses and will not allow the licensed manufacturing and licensed service centers to operate in the unincorporated areas of Umatilla County.

A no vote against this measure will allow the licensed manufacturing and licensed service centers to operate in the unincorporated areas of Umatilla County.

Explanatory Statement

Oregon voters legalized the supervised use of psilocybin through Ballot Measure 109 (2020). The vote in Umatilla County on Ballot Measure 109 was 11,330 (36%) in favor and 20,126 (64%) in opposition. The Ballot Measure also directs the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to develop a psilocybin licensing and regulatory program for the state by January 2, 2023. OHA's psilocybin regulatory program is in development. Ballot Measure 109 (2020) allows a local government to adopt an ordinance to be referred to the voters that prohibits the establishment of certain psilocybin-related businesses. The Umatilla County Board of Commissioners has adopted such an ordinance that prohibits psilocybin manufacturers and service centers. This ordinance has been referred to the voters for approval. Approval of this measure would ban the establishment of psilocybin product manufacturers and psilocybin service centers within the unincorporated area of Umatilla County.

A yes vote in favor of this measure will prohibit the psilocybin businesses and will not allow the license manufacturing and licensed service centers to operate in the unincorporated areas of Umatilla County.

A no vote against this measure will allow the licensed manufacturing and licensed service centers to operate in the unincorporated areas of Umatilla County.

(This information furnished by John Shafer, Chair, Board of Commissioners.)

**Umatilla County
Commissioner, Position #1**



**Susan L
Bower**

Occupation: Owner/CEO of Eastern Oregon Business Source

Occupational Background: Senior Vice President, Bank One Corporation; Co-Owner/CFO of Northeast Oregon Surgical Clinic

Educational Background: John Carroll University, MBA Finance & Corporate Planning; Otterbein University, BA Business Management & Psychology

Prior Governmental Experience: Consultant, Umatilla County on Personnel and Economic Development; Board President, Children’s Museum of Eastern Oregon; Board President, Pendleton Chamber of Commerce; Consultant, City of Pendleton on Urban Renewal; Consultant, Pendleton School District on Work-Based Learning Programs

My family and I have been proud to call Umatilla County home for nearly 20 years. I’ve been energized by working side by side with people to identify opportunities, understand the root cause of problems, and develop a plan to make a difference. This is an exciting time for Umatilla County. The decisions we make today will affect our communities for years to come.

From day one as your County Commissioner, I will proudly represent our residents and businesses.

My priorities are:

Smart Economic Development.

Successful economic development creates good jobs, funds infrastructure, and generates a tax base to create the best programs and services. This requires collaboration in ALL communities to create a positive environment for small business and large industry alike. I will work with leaders to understand and manage the social and financial impacts of growth.

Responsible Leadership.

Umatilla County provides critical services like public safety, public health, roads, elections, and more. Employees are the greatest asset to providing relevant, high-quality services and programs. Strong organizational structure requires excellent customer service, clear communication between departments, professional development for all employees, consistent oversight and evaluation, and efficient use of resources.

Better Quality of Life for All Residents.

I will work tirelessly to make Umatilla County a place where people want to live, work, and raise their children. This requires wisely using your tax dollars to invest in programs with long-term and prudent outcomes to diversifying housing options, improving public safety, proactively addressing homelessness, and supporting education.

(This information furnished by Susan L. Bower.)

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**Umatilla County
Commissioner, Position #1**



**Cindy
Timmons**

Occupation: Marv’s Glass Shop, Business Owner; BMCC, Professional Tutor

Occupational Background: OSU; BMCC; Umatilla County.

Educational Background: BMCC (A.S. Ag Business); EOU (B.S. Business Administration, MBA).

Prior Governmental Experience: Umatilla County Planning Commissioner; CAPECO, Vice-Chair/Board; Blue Mountain Community College Foundation Board Vice-Chair/Board; Milton-Freewater Chamber President/Board/Committee Chair; Milton-Freewater Economic Development Committee; Milton-Freewater Junior Show President/Board; Milton-Freewater Chamber/Downtown Alliance Steering Committee.

I am running for County Commissioner because every resident deserves to be heard and represented.

I am a fourth-generation county resident that believes building/sustaining our economy is vital. Fortunately, we draw from diverse industries – high-value crops, livestock, timber, technology, and manufacturing that provide business/employment opportunities.

Goals:

- **Address Adequate Housing Needs:** I will oppose taxes and regulations that drive up housing costs and support policies that provide housing growth.
- **Prioritize Elder/Mental Health/Veteran Services:** Witnessing residents failing to find adequate support makes these issues a priority. Lack of mental health facilities has homeless numbers growing and drug use skyrocketing; our aging population requires solutions to help residents who want to live at home but require assistance; and our veterans deserve straightforward access/support to all services. I will work to alleviate problems.
- **Water:** Water issues are plaguing all parts of Umatilla County. Adequate supply for farming, cost of water for homeowners and preservation of rivers/streams are a concern. Often referred to as the life blood of the county, I will find working solutions for this limited resource.
- **Be Available:** I am committed to keeping communication open between all parties, being accountable and available. As County Commissioner and your public servant, I will continue to listen – and work – to solve concerns.

I bring strong network connections, experience, vision, and a long family legacy in Umatilla County. Committed to preserving what we value and enjoy, I will help build a positive future – I ask for your vote.

(This information furnished by Cindy Timmons.)

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**Umatilla County
Commissioner, Position #2**



**HollyJo
Beers**

Occupation: Retired; Full-time people's rights advocate

Occupational Background: Reserve Police Officer, City of Umatilla; Solo Qualified Reserve Officer, City of Pilot Rock; Code Enforcement Officer, City

of Umatilla; Oregon Department of Transportation; Umatilla County Deputy Clerk; Federal Highway Administration; Kinzua Corporation (sawmill).

Educational Background: Pilot Rock High School Graduate; Blue Mountain Community College, 2.5 years; Eastern Oregon University-BS in Liberal Arts with minors in History and Criminal Justice, graduated summa cum laude.

Prior Governmental Experience: Elected Pilot Rock City Councilor-1990; Elected Precinct Committee Person- 2018

I want to be YOUR voice in Umatilla County.

I am a conservative Christian and citizens' rights advocate. I am a Constitutionalist, 100% pro-life, pro-Second Amendment, and advocate for smaller government, and less taxes and regulations. I support law enforcement and equality.

My goals include addressing homelessness, drug addiction, and mental health, which all increase the crime rate. I want to lower taxes, get more assistance for veterans, and facilitate transparency/fiscal responsibility.

I was born and raised here, attended schools, worked, raised my five successful children, and retired here. I am vested in Umatilla County.

Volunteered Pilot Rock Little League for 25 years; Coached Babe Ruth, two years. Chaired National Night Out in Pilot Rock 2 years (national award); Volunteered at Pilot Rock Bike Pit; Chaired a Winter Clothing give away. Three Percent member for 9 years, serving as Leader for the last 4 years. As III% during Spring floods in 2020, we acquired and distributed a huge amount of supplies to area residents.

As your Commissioner, I will continue to have "boots on the ground." I will always be accessible to constituents, listen to their ideas, and represent their views. Vote HollyJo Beers—the Voice of the People. "If she wins, we all win."

Endorsed by Oregon Firearms Federation, FreeOregon, and Oregon Right to Life PAC.

(This information furnished by HollyJo Beers.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

**Umatilla County
Commissioner, Position #2**



**John
Shafer**

Occupation: Umatilla County Commissioner

Occupational Background: January 2019-Present Umatilla County Commissioner; November 2005-January 2019 Sergeant Umatilla County Sheriff's Office; August 2000- November 2005 Umatilla County Sheriff's Office

Educational Background: Walla Walla Community College -AA Degree in Criminal Justice; Boise State University; Eastern Oregon University

Prior Governmental Experience: Elected Umatilla County Commissioner 4 years; Elected Mayor City of Athena 4 years; Elected Councilor City of Athena 4 years; Appointed Councilor City of Athena 2 years; Elected East Umatilla County Health District Board of Directors 10 years

When I first ran for Commissioner 4 years ago, I campaigned on the need for improved mental health services in Umatilla County. I also said that it went hand in hand with the need for improved Alcohol and Drug treatment as well. I was instrumental in bringing Community Counseling Solutions to Umatilla County to fill both of those needs.

I campaigned on the need for water resiliency in Umatilla County. We have secured \$6 million from the state for a pipeline project that will recharge an aquifer, bring more water to our agriculture community, provide economic development opportunities to our region by bringing in water to provide development, and will also allow municipalities the ability to utilize this water for future growth.

I was amazed at how many cars the county owned and took on another project. We have updated our county vehicle fleet by replacing old worn out cars with new cars, while at the same time reduced, and are continuing to reduce our fleet size to make it the right size for the county's needs. This is showing great savings to the county.

These are just some of the projects I have worked on in my first term as your County Commissioner. I look forward to another 4 years serving you.

(This information furnished by John Shafer.)

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**City of Athena
City Council, Position 1**



**Anthony
Cooksley**

Occupation: CEO of Blaq Tower LLC.

Occupational Background: CEO of Blaq Tower LLC.

Educational Background: Wyoming Technical Institute; Milo Adventist Academy

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Relevant Experience

Board of Directors, Walla Walla Wagon Wheeler Association
Service Mission Leader, Bajo Mexico

Hello fellow Athenians! I care deeply about our community and am excited to run for City Council this year. With my experience as a business owner, as well as a board member of the 'Walla Walla Wagon Wheelers' organization; I know I am the right candidate for Council Position 1.

Not only do I look forward to hearing your concerns and ideas on how to improve our community, I will do my best to address them as quickly as possible. Serving the members of our town will be a privilege, and something I am passionate about. At the young age of 7 years old I began accompanying my parents on their yearly mission trips to Baja, Mexico. It was there I learned the importance of service to others, developed a wide range of skills, and gained the ability to see the world from different perspectives.

In holding the position as Councilor of Police, my mission will be to ensure the safety and security of our town both now and for future generations by building on the strong foundation already in place.

(This information furnished by Anthony Cooksley.)

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**City of Athena,
City Councilor, Position 3**



**Katie
Zmuda**

Occupation: Helix School District

Occupational Background: Athena-Weston School District, Self-employed

Educational Background: Blue Mountain Community College

Prior Governmental Experience: Athena City Council, Athena-Weston School District Budget Committee

Proven Experience, Reliable, Passionate about Community

I am Katie Zmuda and have been a resident of Athena for over 20 years. I have been active in local community service for 13 of those years. My dedication to improving our downtown and providing community events is driven by pride for this community.

I assembled the disbanded Athena Chamber of Commerce and served as President for 4 years before merging the group with the Athena Mainstreet Association. I currently serve as President of the Athena Mainstreet Association, following two years as Secretary and Social Media Coordinator.

I founded the Athena Tuesday Market, Annual Community Night Out, and Athena's Holiday Bazaar. I have volunteered for numerous committees over the years, including Parent Teacher groups, Community Fundraisers, and Caledonian Games. Elevated quality of life, safety, inclusion, and cultural experiences for our community is my passion.

Recently I was awarded Crystal Apple 'Excellence in Education' Award for willingness and creativity to recognize all students.

I am committed to our community and strive to be a voice for all citizens. I believe in collaboration and advocacy for all community members by creating responsive, effective, and responsible solutions.

(This information furnished by Katie Zmuda.)

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**City of Umatilla
Mayor**



**Caden
Sipe**

Occupation: Teacher and Coach

Occupational Background: Information Technology Professional, and Construction/Renovation

Educational Background:

Umatilla High School; Blue Mountain Community College- AAOT; Eastern Oregon University- Bachelor's in Business Management; Grand Canyon University- Master's in Teaching

Prior Governmental Experience: N/A

It has been exciting to see the growth and development of Umatilla. I was raised in this community, attended Umatilla schools K-12, and chose to return to the community after college.

I see Umatilla's growth and am excited to live here not just due to a sense of connection, but because of the realization of the potential many of us have long seen in Umatilla. With the tremendous growth in both industry and housing in Umatilla, we are at a unique place in time. We must work to continue to build the community, while also working to plan carefully so we are mindful of the impact of growth and the need for thoughtful planning and intentional growth.

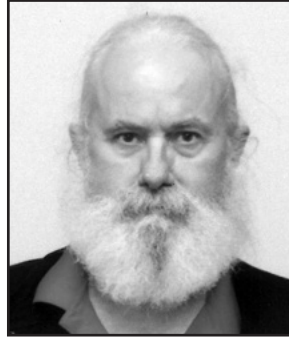
The mayor role in Umatilla is a unique role. The mayoral role does not have a vote unless there's a tie, so my focus would not be on my own voice and vote, but rather on helping ensure others voices are heard, asking questions and ensuring staff provide information to the council, running efficient meetings, and making sure that we are well represented throughout the region and state.

I appreciate the opportunity to run for this office and hope to serve the Umatilla community as Mayor.

(This information furnished by Caden Sipe.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

**City of Umatilla
Mayor**



**Lyle
Smith**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Registered nurse for past 42-years

Educational Background: Kankakee Eastridge HS Di-

ploma Kankakee, IL; Governor's State University BA Environmental Science University Park, IL; University of Chicago MS Biology Chicago, IL; Kankakee Community College ADN Nursing Kankakee, IL; Regis University BSN Nursing Denver, CO; and Regis University MSN Nursing Denver, CO.

Prior Governmental Experience: Umatilla County Critical Groundwater Task Force, Oregon Hanford Cleanup Board, Department of Energy Hanford Advisory Board (HAB) Oregon Representative, Umatilla City Planning Commission, Umatilla City Parks and Recreation Committee, Umatilla City Code Enforcement, Umatilla City Councilor, and Umatilla County Planning Commission.

My name is Lyle Smith. My wife, Leslie, and I moved to Umatilla Oregon 20 years ago. She is finishing her term as Umatilla City Counselor and has chosen not to run for re-election. I have been active in many community activities. I was appointed to some by the Governor and the Umatilla County Board of Commissioners. I was elected by the citizens ' of Umatilla to the City Council. I led the Council at one point due an illness by Mayor Lafferty.

I believe that we need more participation by all residents of Umatilla. We desperately need more involvement by our Hispanic residents. If elected, I will work to get more voice for every resident of Umatilla.

In the 20 years, we have lived here Umatilla has made amazing strides into the future. We need to keep that going. With an increased budget, Umatilla can begin to provide more services to our residents. I believe that a top priority should be youth activity programs so none of our youth are drawn into gang activities. I am also passionate about developing the " Old Town " site and completing our portion of the Lewis and Clark Trail.

Together we can make Umatilla the best place to live and raise our families!

(This information furnished by Lyle Smith.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

**City of Umatilla
City Council, Position 3**



**Katie
McMillan**

Occupation: Media Assistant; librarian

Occupational Background: Medical Assistant

Educational Background: Associate of Arts in Business from the University of Phoenix

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Dear Umatilla,

Through my teen years Umatilla was my home, then I moved away, but found myself back in this great little town to start a family. I have four kids and currently live in McNary. I work at McNary Heights Elementary and I absolutely love my job. I like that I have the same schedule as my kids and can spend more quality time with them. It's also been great seeing the children from the community smiling and growing throughout the years I have worked for the school district.

My family and I try to participate and support local events whenever possible. I am, myself, involved with local youth sports, and I help out where I can. This year I'm trying out a new endeavor by joining the Booster club and also helping with the PTO in order to improve our local school community. Besides this I am active within my church family; volunteering in the daycare as well as attending their mom's group.

I would like to be on the city council to have a voice and assist in the growth of our dear town. I feel truly blessed to be a part of this beautiful community and I would like to have the opportunity to contribute in a meaningful way.

I ask for your vote, please put me; Katie McMillan, in for city council #3.

www.katiemcmillan.com

(This information furnished by Katie McMillan.)

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**City of Umatilla
City Council, Position 3**



**Kristina (Tina)
Ridings**

Occupation: Umatilla School District; Student Data Specialist. STEAM Academy of Umatilla After School Program; 8th-12th Grade Site Coordinator.

Occupational Background: Wal-Mart Human Resources

Educational Background: Blue Mtn. Comm. College; University of Phoenix

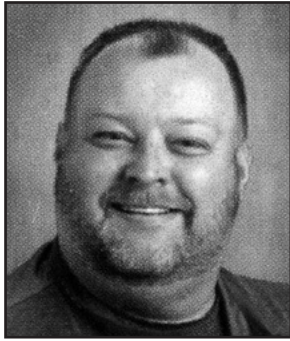
Prior Governmental Experience: Vice President OSEA Union; Umatilla Parks and Rec

I am proud to be a Umatilla resident for 26 years. As a school district employee and my children being Umatilla Alumni, I am very involved in school functions, in addition to community related activities such as our well known Landing Days Event. The growth and progress in Umatilla is testament to its strength and determination of our residents. Most recently I have had the opportunity to be a member of the Umatilla Facilities Team. During this time I had a brief but exciting look in to the vision and anticipated future for our town. It would be a privilege to be a part of Umatilla's success in the capacity of a city councilmember.

(This information furnished by Tina Ridings.)

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**City of Umatilla
City Council, Position 5**



**Ian
Coyle**

Occupation: Middle School Math Teacher

Occupational Background: Personal Banker - US Bank; Served for six years with the Ambassador's group for the Hermiston Chamber of Commerce

(including serving as the group's Vice President and President)

Educational Background: Western Governors University - Completed Bachelor of Science - Education Studies; Grand Canyon University - working on Master of Education - STEM

Prior Governmental Experience: N/A

(This information furnished by Ian Coyle.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

**City of Umatilla
City Council, Position 5**



**Dennis
McMillan**

Occupation: UPS semi truck driver

Occupational Background: UPS package delivery, Petroleum transfer technician

Educational Background: High school equivalent

Prior Governmental Experience: None

My name is Dennis. I have worked for UPS the last 17 years and I'm ready to add a new challenge to my life and to serve my community. Umatilla and the wonderful people here have not only welcomed me and my family to this community, but they've helped us grow and find a place we can call home. It's time for me to give something back to the community that has given me so much. This is why I want to be a part of the city council. I have seen the previous council members help build Umatilla into the wonderful little town it has become, I too want to put dedication and loving care into our community. I will do all I can to preserve the spirit of this town and help Umatilla remain a great home for the current residents and a new beginning for future residents.

Umatilla will always be a place for those who want to raise a family in a peaceful and beautiful town that has fun things to do and a bright future! If you elect me to be a voice on the city council I'll do my very best to preserve the city you love and try to help develop it into something greater than we found it!

Please consider voting for me as city council person #5.

www.mcmillandennis.com

(This information furnished by Dennis McMillan.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.



**Jennifer
Lantz**

Occupation: AMSA Walla Walla VA

Occupational Background: Interpath Lab Pendleton, Pendleton School District, WW Public Schools, N Clackamas School District

Educational Background: Sam Barlow HS- 12th grade/HS diploma; Mt Hood CC- 1 year/No degree

Prior Governmental Experience: City of Weston Budget Committee

For those of you that don't know me, my name is Jennifer Lantz. I am a 6 year resident of the city of Weston and I am running for city council. I am a proud wife and the mother of three amazing sons and two daughters in law. I have worked for the Walla Walla VA for 2 1/2 years and previous to that worked in the schools. My goals for our small town are to help clean up the streets, bring more activities to the city park and use our resources in the best ways to better our community. I am a leader for the Umatilla County Pioneer Picnic as well as a member of the city budget committee. Another goal I have is to help the community be heard with their concerns and suggestions. I am passionate about making Weston a wonderful place to live and raise our families. My promise is to be a leader and an advocate for the citizens of our great city.

(This information furnished by Jennifer Lantz.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.



**Greg
Phillips**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Sulzer Pump Company: Materials manager, Purchasing manager, Project manager; Wang Laboratories: District Controller of five NW states; US Air Force:

Pilot, Project management, Research and Development

Educational Background: Franklin High School (Portland): Diploma; Oregon State University: BS in Business Management; University of Dayton (Ohio): MBA specializing in financial management

Prior Governmental Experience: USAF, retired: Pilot, Project management, R&D, Procurement, Financial management

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

1. Served as manager of the Weston Food Pantry for 8 years
2. Served on the East Umatilla County Rural Fire District board for 10 years
3. Served on the Weston City Budget Committee
4. Served on the Weston Cemetery Budget Committee
5. Past president of the Umatilla County Pioneer Association

(This information furnished by Greg Phillips.)

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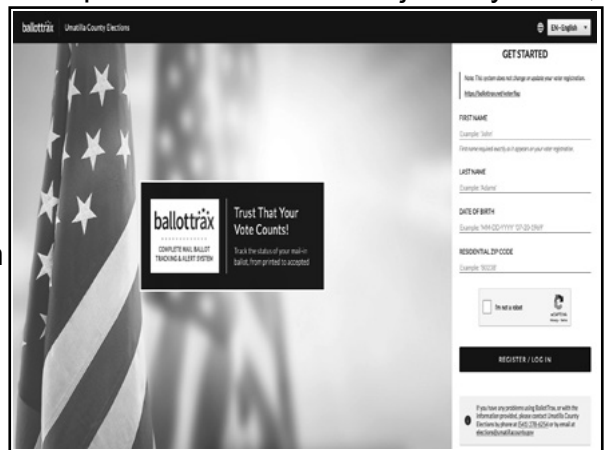
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