#### BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Calling an Election on the	)	
Question of Formation of a New Columbia	)	ORDER NO. 62-2019
County Rider Transit Service District	)	

WHEREAS, ORS 451.435 authorizes the Board of County Commissioners for Columbia County, Oregon, to initiate the formation of a transit service district in accordance with the procedures set forth in ORS 198.705 to 198.955; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with those procedures, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Order No. 33-2019 on June 5, 2019, to initiate the formation of the Columbia County Rider Transit Service District (hereinafter "District"), and after holding a public hearing, adopted Order No. 60-2019 on July 10, 2019, to approve the formation of the District; and

WHEREAS, following proper notice, the Board then held a final public hearing on August 7, 2019, to consider whether to put the question of the formation of the District and the proposal for a permanent rate limit on the November 5, 2019, election ballot; and

WHEREAS, at the hearing, County staff presented a proposed ballot title and explanatory statement describing the purpose of the district, the boundaries of the district, and the proposed permanent rate limit of \$0.18 per \$1,000 of assessed value; and

WHEREAS, at the August 7, 2019, public hearing, the Board accepted testimony and evidence on the formation of the District and the proposed permanent rate limit; and

WHEREAS, the Board then closed the hearing, deliberated, and voted to direct staff to file the a ballot title for the November 5, 2019, election on the question of forming the District and the District's proposed permanent rate limit;

## NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD HEREBY ORDERS, as follows:

- 1. The Board of County Commissioners finds and approves the stated purposes of the Columbia County Rider Transit Service District, which is to create a district and stable funding for public transit service in Columbia County. The Board further finds that a permanent rate limit of \$0.18 per \$1,000 of assessed value would be needed to fund the District.
- 2. The Board of County Commissioners calls for an election on the question of the formation of the new Columbia County Rider Transit Service District with a permanent rate limit of \$0.18 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Said election shall be held on November 5, 2019, the date of the next general election.

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- 3. The Board of County Commissioners adopts and approves the text of the ballot title, as shown on the Request for Ballot Title, which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference, and which the Board authorizes the Chair to sign.
- 4. The Board requests that the County elections official file the attached ballot title and publish notice of its receipt.
- 5. The County elections official shall include with the ballot for the election a map or other description of the boundaries of the proposed new district using streets and other generally recognized features and a statement of the permanent rate limit proposed for the district. A description of the District boundaries is attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by this reference.

DATED this 7th day of August, 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By:

Henry Heimuller, Chair

Approved as to f

By:

Office of County Counsel

By:

Margaret Magruder, Commissioner

By

Alex Tardif, Commissioner

## **EXHIBIT A**

# **Request for Ballot Title**

## **Preparation or Publication of Notice**

**SEL 805** 

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No later than the **80**<sup>th</sup> **day before an election**, a governing body that has referred a measure must prepare and file with the local elections official the text of the referral for ballot title preparation or the ballot title for publication of notice of receipt of ballot title. This form may be used to file the text of the referral and request the elections official begin the ballot title drafting process or file a ballot title and request the elections official publish notice of receipt of ballot title.

Filing Information		
Election Date	Authorized Official	
November 5, 2019	Henry Heimuller, Chair, Board of Columbia County Commissioners	
Contact Phone	Email Address	
503-366-8505	todd.wood@columbiacountyor.gov	
Referral Information		
Title, Number or other Identifier		
Columbia County Rider Transit Service District		
This Filing is For		
Drafting of Ballot Title Attach referral	text. Publication of Notice Ballot title below.	
Ballot Title Additional requirements may apply		
Caption 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure.		
Formation of Columbia County Rider Transit Service District		
Question 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure.		
Shall a transit service district be formed with a permanent rate of \$0.18/\$1,000 of assessed value beginning FY 2020?		
Summary 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect.		
This measure would create a new service district called the Columbia County Rider Transit Service District (the "District"), which will serve to provide permanent local funding for the Columbia County Rider ("CC Rider") public transit system. CC Rider will continue to operate as a department of Columbia County, and the District will be governed by the Board of County Commissioners for Columbia County. The District will contain the area within the boundaries of Columbia County, including its Cities except for the City of Prescott, which did not consent to inclusion.		
If approved, the measure will authorize a permanent tax rate of \$0.18 per \$1,000 of assessed value for all property within the District. This rate is estimated to raise \$1,038,422 for CC Rider in its first year (fiscal year 2020-21) and grow to \$1,446,328 by its tenth year (fiscal year 2029-30). The proposed rate would amount to \$36 per year for a property valued at \$200,000.		
By signing this document:  → I hereby state that I am authorized by the county or city governing body, or district elections authority to submit this Request for Ballot Title – Preparation or Publication of Notice.		

#### EXHIBIT B

## Columbia County Rider Transit Service District Boundaries

The Columbia County Rider Transit Service District shall include the area within Columbia County, as follows:

## Columbia County

Beginning at the point where the northern boundary of the state is intersected by the projection north of the range line between ranges 5 and 6 west of the Willamette Meridian; thence south along such projection and range line to the southwest corner of township 4 north, range 5 west; thence east along the line between townships 3 north and 4 north of the Willamette Base Line to the northeast corner of section 3, township 3 north, range 3 west; thence south along section lines to the southwest corner of section 11 of such township; thence east along section lines to the southeast corner of section 12 of such township; thence east along section lines to the northeast corner of section 21, township 3 north, range 2 west; thence south to the southeast corner of section 21 of such township; thence east along section lines to the southwest corner of section 23, township 3 north, range 1 west; thence north to the west quarter-corner of such section; thence east along quarter-section lines to the boundary of the state; thence northerly and westerly along the boundary of the state to the point of beginning;

## **EXCEPTING THEREFROM:**

## City of Prescott

All territory included in the City of Prescott, as it existed on November 5, 2019.