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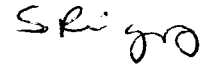
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Ms. Shoona Riggs
Clallam County Auditor
223 East Fourth Street, Suite 1
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Re: **General Election – Ballot Title / Explanatory Statement for the City of Port Angeles’
Advisory Vote on Fluoridation.**

Ms. Riggs,

In response to your legal action request (dated 8/4/2017), please note that the Attorney for the City of Port Angeles, Mr. Bill Bloor, has the statutory responsibility to prepare any ballot title or explanatory statement for an advisory vote regarding the possible fluoridation of the municipalities water supply. See RCW 29A.36.071; RCW 29A.32.241(d).

In connection with the contemplated advisory vote, please use the following ballot title that was submitted by the City of Port Angeles for the upcoming 2017 General Election:

CITY OF PORT ANGELES
PROPOSITION NO. 2

FLUORIDATION OF MUNICIPAL WATER SUPPLY

The City Council for the City of Port Angeles adopted Resolution No. 12-17, concerning fluoridation of its municipal water supply. This is an advisory ballot, and is not binding on the City Council. However, the Council will be guided by the results of this ballot in deciding whether to resume fluoridation. Shall the City of Port Angeles add fluoride to its municipal water supply?

Yes
No

The ballot title above appears to meet the legal requirements of RCW 29A.36.071, 29A.72.050.

Additionally, and in connection with the aforementioned ballot title, please use the following explanatory statement that was submitted by the City of Port Angeles for the upcoming 2017 General Election:

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

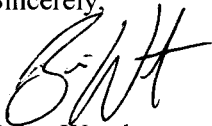
Beginning in 2006 and continuing through August 3, 2016, the City of Port Angeles, fluoridated its drinking water in accordance with regulations established by the Washington State Department of Health. There has been much debate as to whether the City should fluoridate its municipal water supply. In August 2016, the City Council suspended the practice of fluoridation until the voters of the City, at a municipal general election, can express their opinion regarding fluoridation. This is an advisory ballot, and is not binding on the City Council. However, the Council will be guided by the results of this ballot in deciding whether to resume fluoridation.

This statement was prepared by William Bloor, City Attorney for Port Angeles; 321 E. Fifth Street, Second Floor, Port Angeles, WA 98362; (360) 417-4536.

The explanatory statement above appears to comply with the requirements contained in the Clallam County Auditor's Administrative Rules for Voter Pamphlets § 6.6.3.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. However, if you have questions or concerns regarding the ballot title or explanatory statement, it may be best to direct them to the Port Angeles City Attorney's Office.

Sincerely,



Brian Wendt
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney