Ballot Measure Resolution Cover Sheet 2015-16

This form must be included with each resolution submitted to Franklin County Elections. If you have any questions please contact Elections at 509-545-3538 or email us at elections@co.franklin.wa.us.

Original or certified copies of the resolution can be delivered to Franklin County Elections by mail or in person.

By mail: Franklin County Elections
PO Box 1451
Pasco, WA 99301

In-person: Franklin County Elections
1016 N 4th Avenue
Pasco, Washington

Jurisdiction Information

_____
name of jurisdiction

_____
jurisdiction contact person | title

_____
contact phone | contact email

_____
jurisdiction address

_____
attorney for jurisdiction

_____
attorney phone | attorney email

ballot measure information

2015/16 election date of participation

☐ February 10 ☐ April 28 ☐ August 4 ☐ November 3 ☐ February 9, 2016

_____
type of measure (levy, bond, etc.)

contact information for publication

This contact should be able to respond to questions from voters regarding the jurisdiction's ballot measure.

_____
jurisdiction contact person | title

_____
contact phone | contact email

Franklin County local voters' pamphlet / online voters' guide
Information for jurisdiction administrators

2015-16 election cycle

For Primary and Special Elections Franklin County **only** produces an **online** voters' guide. Jurisdictions placing measures on the ballot are automatically included.

For General Elections Franklin County publishes a local voters' pamphlet in conjunction with the state voter's pamphlet. Jurisdictions placing measures on the ballot are automatically included in the local voters' pamphlet as well as on our website.

Jurisdiction's responsibilities

The jurisdiction placing a measure on the ballot must file a resolution with the Franklin County Auditor by the appropriate deadline and are responsible for the following:

- Coordinate with jurisdictions' legal counsel to prepare an explanatory statement (100 word limit).
- Appoint members to pro and con committees who are willing to write statements for the voters' pamphlet.
- Inform committees of the rules, procedures and deadlines for submitting statements for the voters' pamphlet.
- Submit all material to Franklin County Elections by the appropriate deadline.
    - Resolution
    - Resolution cover sheet
    - Explanatory statement
    - Committee appointment form

Franklin County Elections' responsibilities

Franklin County Elections will receive all materials from the jurisdictions as well as the pro and con committees.

Additionally they are responsible for the following:

- Send a letter acknowledging receipt of the resolution calling for an election.
- Following the deadline for pro and con statements, send each to the opposing committee so rebuttals can be written.
- Send finalized pamphlet to the printer for production and mailing, when applicable.

Pro/Con committees' responsibilities

The pro and con committees will agree to submit statements in favor of and in opposition to the ballot measure for the local voters' pamphlet.

Additionally they are responsible for the following:

- Submit pro/con statement, following all guidelines, to Franklin County Elections by the appropriate deadline.
- Submit rebuttal statement, following all guidelines, to Franklin County Elections by the appropriate deadline.

Deadlines:

Special Elections

Election date	February 10	April 28	February 9, 2016
Resolution due	12/26/2014	3/13/2015	12/25/2015
Explanatory Statement	1/06/15	3/16/15	1/5/16
Pro/Con Committee Appointments	1/06/15	3/16/15	1/5/16
Pro/Con Statements	1/12/15	3/23/15	1/11/16
Rebuttal Statements	1/15/15	3/27/15	1/14/16

Primary + General Elections

Election date	August 4	November 3
Resolution due	5/8/15	8/4/15
Explanatory Statement	5/13/15	8/7/15
Pro/Con Committee Appointments	5/13/15	8/7/15
Pro/Con Statements	5/18/15	8/13/15
Rebuttal Statements	5/21/15	8/17/15

Need more information?

For more detailed information please consult the 2015 Jurisdiction Manual at www.franklin.wa.us or contact Elections at 509-545-3538 or elections@co.franklin.wa.us.

Franklin County local voters' pamphlet / online voters' guide pro and con committee appointment form

This form is be completed by the jurisdiction administrator. The completed form must be submitted to Franklin County Elections by the appropriate deadline. **Note:** an email or fax number is required for the committee spokesperson.

If you have any questions please contact Elections at 509-545-3538 or email us at elections@co.franklin.wa.us.

ballot measure information

_____
name of jurisdiction/district

_____
name of ballot measure (proposition number or description)

committee member information

Committee advocating approval (pro)	Committee advocating rejection (con)
_____ committee spokesperson	_____ committee spokesperson
_____ address	_____ address
_____ city, state and zip	_____ city, state and zip
_____ email address and phone number	_____ email address and phone number
_____ committee spokesperson	_____ committee spokesperson
_____ address	_____ address
_____ city, state and zip	_____ city, state and zip
_____ email address and phone number	_____ email address and phone number
_____ committee spokesperson	_____ committee spokesperson
_____ address	_____ address
_____ city, state and zip	_____ city, state and zip
_____ email address and phone number	_____ email address and phone number

submitter information

_____ name of person submitting this form title

_____ phone number date

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Information for pro and con committees

2015-16 election cycle

Who can participate?

Committees formally appointed by the jurisdiction proposing a ballot measure and participating in the local voters' pamphlet, either in print, online or both. There is a limit of three members per committee but committees may seek advice of any person or persons.

If you would like to participate in writing a statement in favor or in opposition to a ballot measure, contact the jurisdiction proposing the measure or the Elections department.

Pro and con committee statements

Arguments in favor of or in opposition to any ballot measure, prepared by a committee designated in accordance with state law, shall be filed with the Franklin County Elections by the deadline.

Length and other specifications

Limitations on the length of committee arguments are based upon the space available within the pamphlet.

The general guidelines are as follows:

- Pro/con statements shall not exceed 250 words.
- Rebuttal statements shall not exceed 75 words.
- Use *italics* only to emphasize specific words or statements. **Bolding, underlining, and all caps are not allowed.**
- Formatting creating empty space may reduce the allowable text length proportionally.

In the event of any question regarding the length, the decision of the Franklin County Auditor shall be final.

Rebuttal statements

After 4:30 p.m. on the deadline to submit pro and con statements, Franklin County Elections will email the opposing committee's statement to the designated contact person listed on the Committee Appointment Form.

Rebuttal statements are not required; however, it gives each committee an opportunity to write a few more words supporting their point of view.

Rebuttal statements are not exchanged. They may be viewed at the Elections department on request.

Committee contact information

The pro and con committee or the committee members preparing the statement and a phone number, email, or website where additional information on the statement may be obtained shall be added after the statements but shall not be included in the statement word counts. Committee members' titles shall not be included.

Deadlines for submission

Special Elections

Election date	February 10	April 28	February 9, 2016
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Rebuttal Statements	1/15/15	3/27/15	1/14/16

Primary + General Elections

Election date	August 4	November 3
Pro/Con Statements	5/18/15	8/13/15
Rebuttal Statements	5/21/15	8/17/15

Submission of material

Statements may be submitted by email, postal mail, fax or in-person. The submission of the initial statement must include a statement submission form.

Email	elections@co.franklin.wa.us
In-person	Franklin County Elections 1016 N 4th Avenue, Pasco
Mail	Franklin County Elections PO Box 1451 Pasco, WA 99301
Fax	509-543-2995

Need more information?

For more detailed information please consult the jurisdiction administrator or contact Elections at 509-545-3538 or elections@co.franklin.wa.us.

Franklin County local voters' pamphlet / online voters' guide pro and con statement submission form

This form must be included with each committee's voter pamphlet statement when it is submitted to Franklin County Elections. If you have any questions please contact Elections at 509-545-3538 or email us at elections@co.franklin.wa.us.

Statements and submission forms can be submitted in the following ways.

Email	**Mail**	**In-person**	**Fax**
elections@co.franklin.wa.us	Franklin County Elections PO Box 1451 Pasco, WA 99301	Franklin County Elections 1016 N 4th Avenue Pasco, Washington	Franklin County Elections 509-543-2995

ballot measure information

_____
name of jurisdiction/district

_____
name of ballot measure (proposition number or description)

committee information for publication

This information will be published in the voters' pamphlet (for General elections) as on our website.

Each committee may list either the committee name or the name of the committee members (maximum of three) and an email address, website or phone number. This information will be added after the statements and shall not be included in the statement word counts.

_____
committee name or committee spokesperson

_____
committee member

_____
committee member

_____
committee contact information (any of the following: email address, website or phone number

statement submission

If you are submitting your statement separate from this submission form please identify the ballot measure and committee on the statement. Statements must be submitted by the appropriate deadline. No late submissions will be accepted.

Which committee do you represent?

- ☐ Pro committee
- ☐ Con committee

If you are submitting your statement separate from this form, how will you be submitting your statement?

- ☐ email
- ☐ in-person
- ☐ postal mail
- ☐ fax

for office use only

_____ date received

_____ received by

_____ received by

_____ word count

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1. Ballot title
The language of the measure that will appear on the ballot.
This information is submitted by the jurisdiction and approved by the county's Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

2. Explanatory statement
A statement prepared or approved by the jurisdiction's legal council.
The explanatory statement describes the effect of the measure if passed into law.

3. Statement in favor
An argument advocating voters' approval of the measure.
This statement is submitted by the committee favoring of the measure (pro committee).

4. Statement in opposition
An argument advocating voters' rejection of the measure.
This statement is submitted by the committee opposing the measure (con committee).

5. Rebuttal of statement in opposition
A response to the statement in opposition.
This statement is submitted by the committee favoring the measure (pro committee) after having the opportunity to review the statement in opposition.

6. Rebuttal of statement in favor
A response to the statement in favor.
This statement is submitted by the committee opposing the measure (con committee) after having the opportunity to review the statement in favor.

7. Statement submitted by
This area lists either the committee name or the names of all committee members (maximum of three). Committees can include one of the following: email address, website or phone number. This section is not included in the allowable word limits for statements.

Note:
Franklin County is not responsible for the validity or accuracy of statements, arguments or rebuttals. Statements do not represent the position of the county on any ballot measure. Submissions will not be proofed for any errors in spelling, punctuation or syntax. Franklin County may, however, correct any obvious typographical or punctuation errors.

Franklin County

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Proposition No. 1

Submitted by City of Pasco
Bonds to Renovate and Construct Aquatic Facilities

The City Council of the City of Pasco, Washington, passed Ordinance No. 3863, concerning a proposition to finance renovation and construction of aquatic facilities. This proposition would authorize the City to renovate the existing Memorial Pool located East of Highway 395 and acquire, construct and equip a new outdoor aquatic facility to be located West of Highway 395 (including zero depth leisure pool, bath house, slide and other water play features); issue no more than $5,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within 20 years; and levy annual excess property taxes to repay the bonds, all as provided in Ordinance No. 3863. Should this proposition be:

- Approved
- Rejected

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Explanatory Statement

This proposition would finance half of the estimated $10 million project to renovate memorial swimming pool and construct a new outdoor water park (including leisure pool, slide, lazy river, play features) in western Pasco, neat I-182.

$5 million in bonds would be repaid over twenty years by an additional tax levy on real property. The first year (2010) tax rate would be less than 13-cents/$1,000 valuation. The cost for a home valued at $150,000 for tax purposes would be $19 per year.

3

Statement in favor

After years of study, much debate, and many people saying they would like an aquatic center in the Tri-Cities, Pasco will ask its voters to decide what they want Pasco to build.

The Pasco pools bond will renovate the 60-year-old Memorial Pool and build an outdoor aquatic center near TRAC. As Pasco has grown, our pools have become overcrowded and currently there is no pool facility between Road 38 and Road 100.

The Memorial Pool renovations will include a new bath house, structure changes to allow diving from higher levels, mechanical upgrades, and the addition of play features.

The new outdoor aquatic center near TRAC will include a six-lane, 25-yard lap pool, water slide, lazy river, and zero-depth entry pool. For the first phase, Pasco decided not to cover the pool, leaving open the possibility of enlarging the facility to resemble the regional aquatic facility that has been discussed in the Tri-Cities.

Please vote YES and return your ballot before August 19.

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Statement in opposition

We ask you the taxpayer to vote no on Proposition 1. It denies you the freedom of choice of pools. We need a public indoor year round pool. Tell them to return a proposition with choices the next election. Vote no! Indoor or outdoor, it's your money, your choice.

The Pool Committee in their report to Council dated 3/31/08 presented three different options. The two options not offered to you are for the indoor pool, have the same $5 million City bond, Memorial Pool renovation, but two different funding choices.

Pasco taxpayers need the facts. The pools are approximately 50 years old and do not meet codes. In our rapidly growing city, the needs for increased police and fire protection; additional schools, water and sewer treatment plants will push the want for an enclosed pool to the bottom of the priority list. We need the choice of an indoor pool now.

Vote No! Indoor or outdoor, it's your money, your choice.

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Rebuttal of statement in opposition

This proposed pool bond is the best, affordable choice for voters this summer. Pasco parks and Recreation and regional swimming committees have studied the options. The other cities are not ready to build, expand, or eventually enclose a new aquatic center. With your YES vote, Pasco is ready to take this first step, while having flexible choices for the future.

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Rebuttal of statement in favor

Taxpayers, the only choice entrusted to you is a summer-use outdoor aquatic center financed with your property tax dollars. Their choice is outdoors only. Our option for an indoor pool allows for school physical education classes as well as year-round general use. "Pasco Pride" means that for a few more dollars a year we could build a year-round aquatic center now. Vote No!

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