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TO: Jefferson County Leader
RE: Legal Notice for November 3, 2015 General Election
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Please publish the following Notice of Election in the legal section of the **September 23, 2015 edition.**

Notice of Election
Jefferson County, State of Washington
Tuesday, November 3, 2015 General Election

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the qualified voters of Jefferson County, State of Washington that on Tuesday, November 3, 2015, a General Election will be conducted entirely by mail. All issues on the ballot are listed below. All eligible voters living in Jefferson County will receive a ballot.

Ballots for this election will be mailed to all qualified voters on October 14, 2015.

The online voter guide is available at www.myvote.wa.gov

For a list of the people and organizations that donated to state and local candidates and ballot measure campaigns, visit www.pdc.wa.gov.

All offices in this election are Nonpartisan.

Regular office terms apply unless otherwise noted next to position.

Jurisdictions / Offices in this election:

Statewide

Initiatives to the People

- Initiative Measure No. 1366 – Concerns state taxes and fees.
- Initiative Measure No. 1401 – Concerns trafficking of animal species threatened with extinction.

Advisory Votes

- Advisory Vote No. 10 - Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1449
- Advisory Vote No. 11 – Second Substitute Senate Bill 5052
- Advisory Vote No. 12 – Second Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5987
- Advisory Vote No. 13 – Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6138

Countywide

Port of Port Townsend

- Commissioner District No. 1

District Specific

Public Hospital District No. 2

- Commissioner Position No. 2

- Commissioner Position No. 4
- City of Port Townsend
- Council Member Position No. 3
 - Council Member Position No. 4
 - Council Member Position No. 6
 - Council Member Position No. 7
- Queets / Clearwater School District No. 20
- Proposition No. 1 – Replacement Levy
 - Director At Large Position No. 3
 - Director At Large Position No. 4
- Brinnon School District No. 46
- Director At Large Position No. 2
 - Director At Large Position No. 3
 - Director At Large Position No. 4
- Quilcene School District No. 48
- Director District No. 1
 - Director District No. 3
 - Director At Large Position No. 4
- Chimacum School District No. 49
- Director District No. 3
 - Director District No. 4
- Port Townsend School District No. 50
- Director District No. 3
 - Director District No. 4
 - Director District No. 5
- Sequim School District No. 323
- Proposition No. 1 – General Obligation Bonds
 - Director District No. 1
 - Director District No. 3
 - Director At Large Position No. 5
- Quillayute Valley School District No. 402
- Director District No. 1
 - Director District No. 3
 - Director District No. 5
- East Jefferson Fire Rescue District No. 1
- Commissioner Position No. 2
- Quilcene Fire District No. 2
- Commissioner Position No. 2
- Port Ludlow Fire District No. 3
- Commissioner Position No. 3
- Brinnon Fire District No. 4
- Commissioner Position No. 2
- Discovery Bay Fire District No. 5
- Commissioner Position No. 2
- Clallam-Jefferson Fire Protection District No. 1
- Proposition No. 1 - Levy
 - Commissioner Position No. 4, 4-year unexpired term

- Commissioner Position No. 5
- Clallam-Jefferson Fire Protection District No. 3
- Commissioner Position No. 1, 6-year short and full term
- Brinnon Water District No. 2
- Commissioner Position No. 3
- Brinnon Cemetery District No. 1
- Commissioner Position No. 1, 2-year unexpired term
 - Commissioner Position No. 3
- Quilcene Cemetery District No. 2
- Commissioner Position No. 1, 6-year short and full term
 - Commissioner Position No. 3, 4-year unexpired term
- Gardiner Cemetery District No. 3
- Commissioner Position No. 2
 - Commissioner Position No. 3, 2-year unexpired term
- Coyle-Thorndyke Park and Recreation District No. 1
- Commissioner Position No. 1
 - Commissioner Position No. 4
 - Commissioner Position No. 5
- Brinnon Park and Recreation District No. 2
- Commissioner Position No. 4
 - Commissioner Position No. 5, 2-year unexpired term

Voter Registration Information & Deadlines for this Election:

- Oct. 5, 2015 Twenty-nine days before the election – Last day for mail-in or online new registrations and voter updates within and between Washington counties.
- Oct. 26, 2015 Eight days before the election – Last day for in-person registration at the Jefferson County Auditor’s Office (1820 Jefferson St, Port Townsend) for those voters not already registered in the State of Washington.

Voter registration forms are available at the Jefferson County Auditor’s Office as well as various locations throughout the county (schools, libraries, community centers, etc). You may also register to vote and change your name and address at all driver licensing locations or online at www.myvote.wa.gov.

A registered voter who misses the deadline to transfer his or her residential address may vote according to his or her previous registration address. Registration applications and updates submitted after the deadline will take effect for the next election.

Voting Center

The Jefferson County Auditor’s Office, located on the first floor of the County Courthouse, 1820 Jefferson St., Port Townsend, is a voting center for the complete voting period of October 14 – November 3, 2015. Regular office hours M – F 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. with Election Day hours of 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Any voter who does not receive their ballot, or needs a replacement ballot, may request one:

- Online: www.myvote.wa.gov, (enter your name as you are registered, and your date of birth);
- By phone: Jefferson County Auditor’s Office: 360-385-9119;
- In person: Jefferson County Auditor’s Office (1820 Jefferson St., Port Townsend); or,
- By Email: elections@co.jefferson.wa.us

How to return your ballot:

- By Mail: First Class Postage is required on all ballots returned by mail. If you are mailing your ballot on Election Day, be sure to check the postmark cutoff time at your Post Office. Ask your post office if they postmark it there or send it to their processing location for the postmark, possibly resulting in a next day postmark. Ballots bearing a postmark after Election Day, November 3, 2015, will be considered late, and cannot be counted.
- Ballot Drop Box: Two Ballot Drop Boxes are available 20 days before an election and open 24 hours a day. On Election Day, ballots will be accepted in the drop boxes until 8:00 p.m. They are located at:
 - Jefferson County Courthouse: 1820 Jefferson St., Port Townsend - back parking lot.
 - Jefferson County Library: 620 Cedar Ave., Port Hadlock – next to book drop in parking area.
- In-Person: Auditor's Office on the 1st Floor of the Jefferson County Courthouse, 1820 Jefferson St., Port Townsend. Regular office hours Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. with Election Day hours 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

In order for a ballot to be counted, the voter must sign the Voter's Declaration on the return envelope. The Declaration on the return envelope may only be signed by the registered voter whose ballot is inside. If you are unable to sign, you may make a mark on the signature line in the presence of two witnesses. The two witnesses need to sign in the space provided on the declaration envelope. A power of attorney or signature stamp are NOT permitted.

Notice of Accessibility

An Accessible Voting Unit (AVU), also known as AutoMARK, is available at the Jefferson County Auditor's Office from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. weekdays, October 14, 2015 thru Election Day, November 3, 2015, with Election Day hours from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The AVU is a tool – an "electronic pen" equipped with audio and visual technology – to assist voters who have a difficult time seeing and/or marking a ballot with a regular pen. It allows voters to vote a secret ballot independently. The side entrance to the County Courthouse, located on Cass St., is ADA accessible.

For information regarding assistance with voter registration, voting, election information or accessibility issues, please contact the Election Department at (360) 385-9117.

Logic & Accuracy Test:

October 13, 2015 at 10:30 a.m., in accordance with RCW 29A.12.130, the Jefferson County Election Department will conduct an official Logic and Accuracy test on our ballot tabulation system. This test will verify that the system will correctly count the votes cast for all candidates and on all measures appearing on the ballot. Representatives from each major political party, candidates, the press and the public are invited to observe this test.

Ballot Processing Schedule:

Oct. 19 through Nov. 24, 2015: Ballot processing activities will be held in the Jefferson County Auditor's Office on the 1st Floor of the County Courthouse. Unless otherwise noted, activities will be performed between 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Nov. 2, 2015: Begin Final Processing of Ballots

Nov. 3, 2015 - 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.: Final Processing of Ballots

Election Results:

Nov. 3, 2015 - 8:00 p.m.: First Tabulation of Ballots

Nov. 6, 2015 – 2:00 p.m.: Additional Ballots Counted (date / time subject to change depending on volume)

Nov. 12, 2015 – 2:00 p.m.: Additional Ballots Counted (date / time subject to change depending on volume)

Nov. 24, 2015: Final Certified Results after Canvassing Board Meeting

Notice of Canvassing Board Meetings:

The Jefferson County Canvassing Board, or their appointed designees, will hold open public meetings on:

Nov. 23, 2015 - 12:30 p.m.: Preliminary Canvassing Board Meeting to review any ballots referred to them.

Nov. 24, 2015 - 10:00 a.m.: Final Canvassing Board Meeting to Certify Election.

Each meeting shall be continued until the activity for which the meeting is held has been completed.

Dated at Port Townsend, Washington, this 23rd day of September 2015.

Rose Ann Carroll

Jefferson County Auditor