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AFFORDABLE HOUSING BOND MEASURES PASS, BEAVERTON RESIDENTS AIMED TO BENEFIT

BEAVERTON, Ore. – Ballot Measure 102 and Measure 26-199 were approved by voters during last night’s election, helping to create safe, affordable housing in the region.

The approved statewide and Metro measures will facilitate homes for up to 12,000 people across Washington, Clackamas and Multnomah counties, and allow local governments to put bond money toward privately owned development projects.

“This is tremendous for our city,” said Mayor Denny Doyle. “I want to thank voters for their overwhelming support and for this solid first-step toward a cost-effective solution for people in need. Last night, we sent a clear message that we are a community who cares about every person who calls our region home.”

Housing affordability and availability are important topics in Beaverton as a shift in the type, location and cost of housing impact residents. The city’s housing goals include strategies for housing stability for all community members, especially those who are most in need, as we continue to meet the growing demand for housing for all income levels.

Bond dollars are expected to be spent throughout Washington, Clackamas and Multnomah counties according to the amount raised in each jurisdiction.

“We all have a responsibility to make sure that we’re moving in the right direction,” continued Mayor Doyle. “It was a joy to serve on Metro’s Stakeholder Advisory Table, alongside leaders representing various public, private and nonprofit sectors, and support these measures that put our region at the forefront of solving the affordable housing issues that challenge our entire nation.”

The city has committed a number of resources to lessen the burden of rising rents, increase affordable housing stock, support low-income residents and reduce homelessness. Beaverton’s Housing Five Year Action Plan, investment in new and rehabbed units, Voices of Beaverton project and Severe Weather Shelter are just a few examples of recent accomplishments.

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