

Special Election – April 17, 2012

Don't wait to mail your ballot!

Your ballot must be postmarked by **April 17, 2012** to be counted. If you mail your ballot on Election Day, check the mail pick-up time to ensure it will be postmarked on time.
You can drop off or mail your ballot anytime after you've voted it.

Ballot Deposit Site - Open March 19th - April 17th

Pierce County Annex

2401 S 35th St

Tacoma, WA 98409

Site closes at 8 p.m. on April 17, 2012.

Voting Center - Open April 16th and 17th, 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Pierce County Election Center

2501 S 35th St, Suite C

Tacoma, WA 98409

- Voter registration.
- Voting assistance from Election staff.
- Ballot drop off.
- Accessible voting using touch screen equipment.
- Provisional ballots.

If you want to vote on the accessible voting equipment, don't return your ballot. Be sure to bring photo ID.

Need to register to vote? You must be:

- A citizen of the United States.
- A legal resident of Washington.
- At least 18 years old by Election Day.
- Not under the authority of the Department of Corrections.

How to register:

- Online - piercecountywa.org/elections
- In person - Pierce County Election Center.
- By mail - Call to request a mail-in form.

Registration Deadline:

It's not too late to register **in person** for the April Election.

In person deadline is **April 9, 2012**. New Washington voters only.

Questions?

Need a replacement ballot?

Pierce County Elections
piercecountywa.org/elections
pcelections@co.pierce.wa.us
253-798-VOTE (8683) or
800-446-4979

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Official Local Voters' Pamphlet

Auburn Transportation Benefit District Proposition No. 1 General Obligation Bonds - \$59,000,000

Ballot Title:

The Board of the Auburn Transportation Benefit District adopted Resolution No. 2012-2 concerning a proposition to fund District transportation improvements and projects. If approved, this proposition would authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds to pay the costs of the transportation improvements and projects identified in the City of Auburn six-year Transportation Improvement Plan in an amount not more than \$59,000,000, each series of such bonds maturing within 25 years or less, and authorize the annual levy of excess property taxes to pay and retire such bonds, as provided in Resolution No. 2012-2. Should this proposition be approved?

Explanatory Statement:

If approved, Prop. 1 will provide additional revenue specifically dedicated to Auburn's many miles of high-traffic arterial roads that must be built and maintained largely with limited local resources. Auburn has worked with citizens and businesses to identify and prioritize the City's arterials for repairs and resurfacing projects spanning twenty-five years or less. The City has prioritized high-traffic arterial roads in response to citizen concerns that further deterioration of these roads will impact economic development and efficient flow of commuter traffic.

If approved, this ballot measure will dedicate excess property tax revenues to repay general obligation bond proceeds to rebuild and repair a list of citizen-selected local street improvement projects over a period of twenty-five years or less. The average \$250,000 home would see a \$4-\$8 per month increase in years one to five (\$36-\$96 per year) and \$8-\$9 monthly increase (\$96-\$113 per year) in years six to fifteen. Thereafter, as the bonds mature and are paid off, the average annual impact to a homeowner steadily declines and is eventually retired. The bond funds cannot be used for other projects. Under state law, the bond proceeds may only be used for capital purposes related to the road projects.

Statement For:

Auburn's citizens know our high-traffic streets badly need repair. We cannot depend on anyone else to fix them – federal and state funds for street repair are very limited. *The longer we wait, the more potholes develop and the more costly it becomes to fix them.*

Your Yes vote will keep our local tax dollars here in our community, make our busiest streets safer, help local businesses be more competitive, and create local jobs.

Save our Streets will also protect your pocketbook. To keep costs down, bonds will be issued over a twenty-five year or less period. Monthly costs for an average home start under \$3, increase up to \$9 and then decline to zero. Every dollar generated by this program is dedicated to specific road improvements.

Our streets need fixing. This is an affordable and responsible way to do so. *Vote Yes to Save Our Streets and Keep Auburn Moving!*

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Citizens to Keep Auburn Moving

Statement Against:

No statement was submitted against this issue.