

BALLOT TITLE

CAPTION:

Amends Charter: Authorizes incidental public use, lands outside Bull Run.

QUESTION:

Shall Charter be amended to authorize Council to allow incidental public use of City lands outside the Bull Run Watershed?

SUMMARY:

The measure amends the Charter by clarifying Council authority to permit or prohibit incidental uses by the general public of City lands controlled by the Water Bureau, provided the lands are outside of the Bull Run Watershed Closure Area. Incidental public uses may include green spaces, community gardens or other functions that do not conflict with the primary drinking water purpose of these lands, when approved by Council. The public's incidental use may result in associated costs to the Water Fund, including funding for compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act which imposes accessibility requirements for equitable access when lands are used by the general public.

The measure will not impact City lands in the Bull Run Watershed Closure Area.