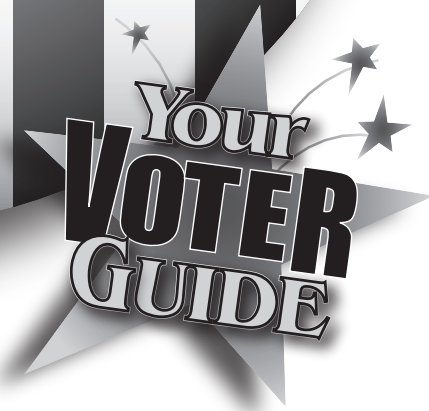




King County
Elections

Local Voters' Pamphlet

**King County
Fire Protection District No. 16**



如果您需要一份中文的
選民手冊，請參閱第4頁
的索取詳情。

Check your registration
and sample ballot at
www.kingcounty.gov/elections

Published by King County Elections

Voting in the State of Washington

Voters' Pamphlet

Local voters' pamphlets for special elections are prepared by King County at the request of the districts holding special elections. Therefore, it is possible that NOT ALL districts holding special elections will be listed in this voters' pamphlet. If you have any questions regarding elections or voting, please call 206-296-8683 or TTY 206-296-0109.

Qualifications to Register

To register to vote in King County, you must be:

- a citizen of the United States
- a legal resident of Washington State
- at least 18 years old by election day.

You may not register to vote if you are presently denied your civil rights due to a felony conviction or judicially declared mentally incompetent and ineligible to vote.

Registration Deadlines

You may register to vote at any time, but keep in mind that there are registration deadlines prior to each election. King County Elections must have your registration form postmarked at least **30 days** before an election (January 19, 2008) if you register by mail, through the Department of Licensing Motor Voter program, or to change your name or address. New Washington voters have up to **15 days** before the election (February 4, 2008) to register to vote; however, you must register in person and vote by absentee ballot for this Special Election.

How to Register

Come in person or complete a voter registration form and put it in the mail. Forms are available from King County Elections, public libraries, schools, other government offices or the Web at www.kingcounty.gov/elections.

Keep Your Voter Registration Up-to-Date

If your voter registration record does not contain your **current** name or address, it may affect your voting status. *Note the deadline for changes.* Changes to your name and address must be made **30 days before** an election to legally entitle you to vote using your new name or to vote in the precinct associated with your new address. Use the mail-in voter registration form to send your name or address change to the King County Elections or call 206.296.8683 to change your address.

Absentee Ballots/Mail Ballots

One-time absentee ballot requests may be made either by phone, fax, e-mail, on the Web, or by regular mail. You may also sign up to receive an absentee ballot for all future elections. Just check the "Yes" box in the Ongoing Absentee Request section of the mail-in voter registration form or if you are currently registered to vote complete and send in a signed absentee/mail ballot request form, a copy of which is provided in this voters' pamphlet.

If you do not receive your absentee ballot or you have lost it, please notify King County Elections at the telephone numbers, or e-mail address listed below. Voted absentee or mail ballots must be signed and postmarked or delivered to King County Elections **on or before** Election Day.

If you have already requested or have a permanent request for an absentee/mail ballot on file, please do not submit another application.

Election Dates and Poll Hours

This special election is February 19, 2008. Polling place hours are 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Services and Additional Information

Contact King County Elections for further information about registering to vote, permanent absentee voting, polling place locations or voters' pamphlets in alternate formats.

Voter Hotline: 206-296-VOTE (8683) or 1-800-325-6165
or TTY 206-296-0109
06-296-1544 (Chinese)

Internet: <http://www.kingcounty.gov/elections>

E-mail: elections@kingcounty.gov

Fax: 206-205-5080 or 206-296-0108

Mail or In Person: King County Elections
919 SW Grady Way
Renton, WA 98057

Available in alternate formats.

King County Fire Protection District No. 16

Proposition No. 1



Official Ballot Title

**KING COUNTY
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 16
PROPOSITION NO. 1
FIRE PROTECTION BONDS**

The Board of Fire Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 16 adopted Resolution No. 07-21 approving a proposition to issue general obligation bonds. This proposition would authorize the District to construct and equip its headquarters fire station, undertake other capital projects throughout the District, refund all or part of its 2006 general obligation bond, issue not more than \$25,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within 20 years, and levy excess property taxes annually to repay the bonds. Shall this proposition be:

- APPROVED
 REJECTED

Explanatory Statement

Passage of Proposition No. 1 will allow King County Fire Protection District No. 16 (the "District") to issue up to \$25 million of general obligation bonds with a maximum term of twenty years to be repaid out of annual property tax levies. The bonds will provide funding to construct and equip a new headquarters fire station, undertake other capital projects throughout the District and refund all or part of the District's Limited Tax General Obligation Bond, 2006. The District used the proceeds of the 2006 Bond to acquire property for the new station at the northwest corner of 73rd Avenue NE and NE 181st Street.

In a 2004 Facilities Survey and Assessment completed by Rice, Fergus and Miller, Architects a number of major problems and deficiencies were identified in the District's current headquarters station, including: an aging building needing substantial repairs and upgrades, seismic structural concerns, below standard safety systems and restricted training and operational space. Following receipt of this report and at the conclusion of a series of meetings, the Board of Fire Commissioners concluded that constructing a new headquarters fire station would provide the capital facilities necessary for the District to deliver adequate fire protection, rescue and emergency medical services to meet present and future growth needs of the District.

If approved, the District estimates that the cost to the average household will be approximately \$100 annually or \$8.50 per month.

Statement for

This measure received a 72.5% Yes vote last August. The measure fell short of validation by 177 ballots due to a low voter turnout. Efficiencies in design and more precise cost estimates reduced the August bond request by \$2,000,000.

Calls for service have increased 400% since the existing Headquarters Fire Station was built in 1977. The building is now too small and does not meet current Code for earthquake, electrical, ADA access, lighting, insulation, heating & air conditioning. The building is not in compliance with Homeland Security or NFPA standards. Training facilities are inadequate. Apparatus bays are too small for today's fire engines ... the list goes on, see www.northshorefire.com for more information.

Our Fire Commissioners have studied this issue for 3 years. Every possibility, from remodeling to new construction, was examined. The commissioners believe a new building is the most prudent solution for taxpayers and the Fire Department. Land has been purchased and plans have been prepared. Annual construction cost inflation of 10 -15% means any delay will be costly.

The new station ensures operability during a disaster or flood event, facilitates onsite training and provides necessities to maintain the high quality service we expect. Please vote yes.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Jo Ann Evans, Lloyd Skinner, Sarah Phillips

Statement against

NO STATEMENT SUBMITTED.



King County
Elections
金郡選舉部

Absentee/Mail Ballot Request Form

索取缺席/郵寄選票表格

Mail to: Voter Services

請寄至: 選民服務

King County Elections Division

919 SW Grady Way, Renton, WA 98057-2906

206-296-8683

I hereby declare that I am a registered voter. Please use a pen and print legibly.
我現今聲明我是一名登記選民。請用墨筆或原子筆正楷書寫

Registration No. if known:
如知道, 選民登記號碼: _____

Registered Name
登記姓名 _____

Residence Address _____ Apt/Unit # _____

居住地址 _____ 單位號數 _____

City _____ Zip _____

城市 _____ 郵號 _____

Mailing Address
地址 _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

城市 _____ 州 _____ 郵號 _____

Telephone: (Day) _____ (Eve) _____

電話: (日) _____ (晚) _____

Date of birth
出生日期 _____

For this request to be valid, you must sign below.

必須簽署姓名方有效

Signature _____ Date _____

簽名 _____ 日期 _____

This request is for: 此要求是為:

All future elections
為所有未來的選舉

One election only
Please specify which election.

一次選舉用。請寫明選舉日期。 _____

Unless you request a Chinese ballot in the box below,
an English ballot will be mailed to you.
除特別在下段表明要中文選票外, 寄出的選票皆屬英文版本

Check the appropriate box(es) below if you would like a Chinese ballot or a
Chinese voters' pamphlet:
若要中文選票和/或中文選民手冊, 請勾選適當的方格:

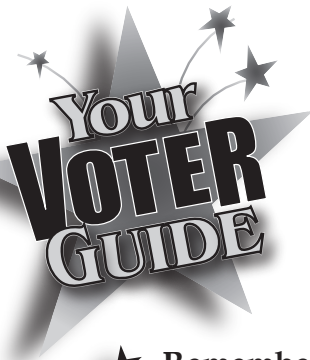
CHINESE BALLOT
中文選票

CHINESE VOTER PAMPHLET
中文選民手冊

To Comply with Section 203 of the Voting Rights Act, this information is also provided in Chinese. To obtain the Chinese version, please call 206-296-1544.
依按投票權利法案第203節的規限, 以上資料有中文版本。要索取中文版本, 請致電 206-296-1544。

Local Voters' Pamphlet

King County Fire Protection District No. 16



- ★ Remember to vote on February 19, 2008.
- ★ Absentee ballots will be mailed beginning January 30, 2008.
- ★ Polls open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

EARN \$125

King County Elections is hiring poll workers for the February 19 presidential primary and special elections. To apply, call 206-296-1606.

NONPROFIT ORG.
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
SEATTLE, WA
PERMIT NO. 1455

Edition 2