

To the Council:

It is my understanding that a petition was given to you as part of the Public Comments section of the June 5, 2017 meeting. This petition asked you to have staff bring back a Request for Council Action (RCA) at a later date. This RCA, if passed, will initiate the process for the Council to place an amendment to the Newberg City Charter on the ballot. This amendment would restrict the Budget Committee and Council from levying any part of the funds that are presently being spent on the TVF&R contract if and when the City becomes part of the TVF&R District.

I am in full support of the Council taking action on this petition. I think it is a very important issue that easily merits the Council's time and consideration. I respectfully request that you direct Staff to prepare such an RCA for you.

In addition, I respectfully request that the Council adopt the RCA once it is brought before you.

I recognize that there has been some discussion of a Council Resolution to indicate an intent to not collect the funds for the 2018-2019 fiscal year. I consider this a completely unnecessary and misguided solution. It isn't very compelling as it can be easily rescinded by the Council. Its other flaw is that it is only for one year. My concern isn't just for 2018-2019; I care about the years beyond that.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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(Type your name above)

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