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Alliance 2008 Election Results Recap

Portland, Ore. – The Portland Business Alliance Board of Directors took positions on a number of candidates, ballot and bond measures and a couple of local levies that were up for consideration yesterday. See current results below.

Alliance Endorsement Election Results (as of Monday, November 10)

Candidates Endorsed	Election Result
Portland City Council: Amanda Fritz	√ Amada Fritz: 72 percent Charles Lewis: 27 percent
Multnomah County Commission: Carla Piluso	√ Diane McKeel: 49.8 percent Carla Piluso: 49.5 percent
Multnomah County Commission: Mike Delman	√ Judy Shiprack: 51 percent Mike Delman: 48 percent
Clackamas County Commission: Jim Bernard	√ Jim Bernard: 55 percent Ron Adams: 45 percent

Ballot Measures Endorsed	Position	Result
PCC Bond Measure	Support	Passed
Children’s Investment Fund	Support	Passed 70 to 30 percent
State Measure 59 (Federal deduction)	Oppose	Failed 63 to 37 percent
State Measure 57 (Alternative to 61)	Support	Passed 61 to 39 percent
State Measure 61 (Extended sentencing)	Oppose	Failed
65 (Open primary)	Support	Failed 66 to 34 percent
Gresham Public Safety Levy	Support	Failing 52 to 48 percent
Centennial School Levy	Support	Failed 56 to 44 percent

The board’s endorsements were made based on a process that includes interviewing the viable candidates for various political offices and presenting a slate of recommendations to the board. Two-thirds of the board must agree before an official position is taken.

Additionally, the Portland Business Alliance took positions this month on several ballot measures in conjunction with Associated Oregon Industries, the Oregon Business Association and the Oregon

Business Council. The organizations took the unusual step of issuing joint public positions because of the negative impact the measures 59 and 61 would have on the competitiveness of Oregon companies. The groups also weighed in on Measure 65.

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The Portland Business Alliance is Greater Portland's Chamber of Commerce representing 1,400 businesses in the region. Visit www.portlandalliance.com for more information.