

RESOLUTION NO. 938

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A MEASURE ELECTION TO SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF STAYTON THE QUESTION OF A FOUR-YEAR LOCAL OPTION TAX, LEVYING A TAX RATE OF \$.60 PER THOUSAND, BEGINNING FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018, TO BE PLACED ON THE MAY 15, 2016 PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT, FOR PARTIAL SUPPORT OF THE CITY'S LIBRARY AND POOL PROGRAMS.

WHEREAS, the City of Stayton has determined there will continue to be insufficient revenues in fiscal years 2017-18 through 2020-21 to ensure adequate funding of mandated City functions and still properly allow for other programs directed toward providing or enhancing desirable levels of recreational and leisure services to Stayton residents;

WHEREAS, the Stayton City Council has determined that \$1,450,000 in additional revenue sources, not presently available within the permanent tax rate imposed by State of Oregon Ballot Measures 47 and 50, are necessary, over the next four fiscal years, to partially fund the City's Parks, Library and Pool programs;

WHEREAS, State of Oregon Ballot Measures 47 and 50, passed by Oregon voters on November 5, 1996 and May 20, 1997, respectively, provide the framework and limitations for voter-approved local option taxes;

WHEREAS, consecutive local option tax measures, for similar purposes, were approved by Stayton voters on November 3, 1998, May 21, 2002, May 18, 2004, May 20, 2008, and May 15, 2012 respectively;

WHEREAS, it is the Stayton City Council's desire to submit a ballot measure for the May 17, 2016 Statewide Primary Election, for a four year local option tax, to the registered voters of the City of Stayton for approval.

NOW THEREFORE, the Stayton City Council resolves as follows:

1. A measure election is hereby called for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the City of Stayton ("City") the question of a four year local option tax at the fixed rate of \$.60 per thousand, within the limitations of Article XI, Section 11b of the Oregon Constitution, beginning in Fiscal Year 2017-2018.
2. The measure election hereby called shall be held in the City on the 17th day of May, 2016. As authorized by the County Clerk of Marion County, Oregon, and the Oregon Secretary of State, the election shall be conducted by mail pursuant to ORS 254.465 and 254.470.
3. The City authorizes its City Administrator ("Authorized Representative"), or a designee of the Authorized Representative, to act on behalf of the City and to take such further

action as is necessary to carry out the intent and purposes herein in compliance with the applicable provisions of law.

4. The following is hereby approved as the official Ballot Title:

Referred to the People by the City Council

Title: Four Year Local Option Tax for Library, Pool, Parks Support

Question: Should City of Stayton implement a \$.60 per thousand operating tax annually for four years. This measure renews current taxes.

Summary: The City of Stayton is seeking a four-year local option tax of \$.60 per thousand, beginning Fiscal Year 2017-2018, to continue funding of parks, library, and swimming pool programs.

The proposed tax will offset expiration of the existing four-year local option tax passed in 2012, which ends Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

Library support includes annual operating expenses, continuing current book and audio-visual budgets, Storyteller outreach program support, and maintenance projects such as roof replacement.

Pool support includes maintaining operating expenses, and replacing the roof and building entrance.

Parks will receive funding for improvement projects recommended by the Parks Board.

A tax rate of \$.60 per \$1,000 of assessed value would be an average annual tax of \$84.00 for the average home owner in the City of Stayton with a home assessed at \$140,000. It's estimated this would generate \$1,450,000 over the four years; an allowance has been made for uncollected taxes. The estimated tax for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of estimate.

5. Pursuant to ORS 250.275(5) and 250.285, the City Elections Officer shall publish in the next available edition of *The Stayton Mail*, or in some other newspaper of general distribution within the City, a notice of receipt of the ballot title including notice that an elector may file a petition for review of the ballot title not later than the seventh business day after the title is filed with the City Elections Officer in a form approved by law.

6. Pursuant to ORS 254.095(2) the City directs the City Elections Officer to deliver appropriate notice and the Ballot Title to the Marion County Elections Office immediately following approval of this Resolution by the Stayton City Council.

7. Pursuant to ORS 251.345, the City shall file, prior to applicable filing deadlines, an impartial Explanatory Statement for the local Voter's Pamphlet. The Explanatory Statement shall be not more than 500 words and shall be a fair and impartial statement describing the proposed measure and the reasons for it.

8. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Stayton City Council.

ADOPTED BY THE STAYTON CITY COUNCIL this 19th day of January, 2016.

CITY OF STAYTON

Signed: 01/19 /, 2016

By: Henry A. Porter
Henry A. Porter, Mayor

Signed: 01/19, 2016

ATTEST: Keith D. Campbell
Keith D. Campbell, City Administrator

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

David A. Rhoten
David A. Rhoten, City Attorney