



STAFF REPORT
5/26/2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Andrea J. Carranza, Deputy City Clerk

SUBJECT: Seeking Direction on the Advertisement of Utility Users Tax Citizen Oversight Committee

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff is seeking the direction on the advertisement of the Utility Users Tax Citizen Oversight Committee.

BACKGROUND:

On June 8, 2010, voters in the City of Coachella approved Measure I, an ordinance approving a five percent (5%) utility users tax (the “Ordinance”). Section 1 of the Ordinance added Chapter 4.30 *Utility Users Tax* to the Coachella Municipal Code, which establishes a five-member citizens oversight committee of members appointed by the City Council. The citizens oversight committee annually reviews revenues and expenditures from the utility users taxes and presents its findings to the City Council for review.

On February 10, 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-12, establishing the Utility Users Tax Citizen Oversight Committee Appointment Procedure. On February 11, 2021, the City Clerk’s Office advertised for the five open positions.

A total of two (2) applications were received by the filing deadline of Monday, April 13, 2021.

On April 28, 2021, the City Council directed staff to extend the deadline for the open seats to Friday, May 7, 2021. New advertisements extending the deadline were posted.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

No new applications have been received at the time of this writing.

Staff is seeking direction to extend the application period to a new date.