



FRUITA COLORADO

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

TO: FRUITA CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR

FROM: MARGARET SELL, CITY CLERK/FINANCE DIRECTOR

DATE: JUNE 20, 2023

AGENDA TEXT: RESOLUTION 2023-16 - Establishing A Citizen Review Committee to Study the Impacts of the Tabor Amendment on the City of Fruita and Make Recommendations Regarding Proposed Courses of Action

BACKGROUND

This resolution establishes a committee to review the financial impacts of TABOR on the City of Fruita and make recommendations to the Council on the 2024 ballot question and proposed courses of action. This citizen review process aims to ensure transparency, accountability, and citizen participation in the decision-making process regarding TABOR-related ballot questions.

If the resolution is adopted, the next step will be to appoint members to the Committee. Applications for the Committee are due by July 12, 2023 and appointments are scheduled for the July 18, 2023 City Council meeting. Requests for applications will be advertised on the City's website and Daily Sentinel and other social media platforms. A list of former Committee members is attached for your information and review. City Council assistance in recruiting Committee members is encouraged.

FISCAL IMPACT

The formation of the committee does not have any significant fiscal impact on the City of Fruita. However, the resulting recommendations of the committee and voter outcome of any question before the voters could have significant impacts on the City of Fruita, especially as it relates to capital improvements and maintenance of infrastructure.

APPLICABILITY TO CITY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The stability provided by previous voter approval of revenue retention measures has had significant impacts on the City's economic health. Continuing to obtain input and educate the public on the impacts of the TABOR restrictions on fiscal year spending is important to the ongoing fiscal stability of the City.

OPTIONS TO THE COUNCIL:

- Approve the resolution as presented, or with amendments, to form the TABOR Review Committee, or
- Take no action on forming a citizen review committee and deal directly with the TABOR question as a City Council

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the recommendation of staff that the Council by motion:

**ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-16 ESTABLISHING A CITIZEN REVIEW COMMITTEE TO STUDY
THE IMPACTS OF THE TABOR AMENDMENT ON THE CITY OF FRUITA AND MAKE
RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING PROPOSED COURSES OF ACTION**