

HILDALE CITY RESOLUTION 2023-05-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HILDALE, UTAH, REQUESTING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION ENACT UP TO 1% SALES TAX FOR THE PROVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR HILDALE CITY

WHEREAS, Hildale City requires funding to provide fire, EMS and rescue services within the City service area; and

WHEREAS, Hildale City Fire Department provides fire, EMS and rescue services to unincorporated areas surrounding the City; and

WHEREAS, the citizens residing in the City have a disparate funding impact due to the disproportionate number of tourists requiring services from the City; and

WHEREAS, a sales tax is an equitable way to have visitors assist in paying for the services and capacity necessary to provide EMS to them; and

WHEREAS, the Utah State Legislature has authorized a County of the Second Class which has a National Park and at least two Utah State Parks to fund EMS through the enactment of up to a 1% a sale tax on eligible items to fund EMS operations; and

WHEREAS, Utah Code 59-12-8 Funding for Health Care requires approval to impose the tax from the majority of the county's legislative body; and

WHEREAS, following approval from the county's legislative body the registered voters residing within the affected area must vote on the imposition of the tax; and

WHEREAS, August 15, 2023, is the first available date to present the sales tax proposition to the registered voters residing in the District; and

WHEREAS, the County may present a ballot proposition before the voters that may read,

Shall Washington County adopt a sales tax of up to 1% on eligible sales within the boundaries of Hildale City and the unincorporated area of Washington County and remove the property tax imposed on the property owners within the boundaries of the District; and

WHEREAS, presenting the ballot proposition to the voters satisfies the requirements established by the Code; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE HILDALE CITY MAYOR AND COUNCIL as follows:

Request the Washington County Commission approve the imposition of up to 1% sales tax on eligible purchases within the boundaries of the City and place the proposition before the voters on August 15, 2023 ballot.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Hildale City Council at a regular meeting of the Council held on May 17, 2023.

HILDALE CITY

Donia Jessop
Mayor

ATTEST;

Sirrene Barlow, Hildale City Recorder