

RESOLUTION NO. 233

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A SPECIAL CITY ELECTION ON APRIL 3, 1979, TO AUTHORIZE A GENERAL FUND TAX LEVY.

BACKGROUND: The City Council reviewed related information and recommended that a \$65,000.00 general fund tax levy for one year be referred to the voters. The City Council finds that without such a levy city funds are inadequate to continue to provide such basic city services as 24 hour police coverage. The Council believes citizens desire such service. Requesting a two year tax levy for \$65,000.00 each year will improve long range planning and reduce the cost of elections.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUTDALE THAT:

1. Call for Election: An election is hereby called to be held on Tuesday, April 3, 1979, from the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Pacific Standard Time) at which time a measure shall be submitted to the voters of the City of Troutdale, which, if approved, would authorize a general fund operating levy of \$65,000.00 per year for two years.
2. Referral of Proposition: The following measure is hereby referred to the voters:

#51 GENERAL FUND OPERATING LEVY

PURPOSE: The purpose of this measure is to maintain the current level of police and other City services through a general fund operating levy.

EXPLANATION: The Common Council of the City of Troutdale has referred this measure to the legal voters of the City of Troutdale. The total amount to be raised by this levy is \$130,000 at \$65,000 per year. City services for fiscal year 1978-79 are supported by the \$60,000.00 one year levy expiring June 30, 1979, and by federal CETA grant funds. No CETA grant funds for police are available for fiscal year 1979-80. Without the levy, the City can only provide eight to sixteen hours daily police protection. If approved, the levy will permit the City to provide 24 hour daily police protection. The Oregon Constitution limits the City's tax base dollars (\$13,216.00 in 1978-79) to increases of 6% per year without special voter approval, regardless of population or assessed value changes.

QUESTION: Shall a two year special general fund operating levy for 24 hour police and other city services at \$65,000.00 per year be authorized for fiscal year 1979-80 and fiscal year 1980-81.

YES, for the operating levy \_\_\_\_\_

NO, against the operating levy \_\_\_\_\_

3. Directive to City Recorder: The City Recorder shall cause a notice to be published in the Gresham Outlook in not fewer than two consecutive issues

between March 15, 1979, and March 23, 1979, inclusive, giving notice that an election shall be held on April 3, 1979, to submit the aforesaid proposition to the legal voters of the City of Troutdale for the approval or disapproval. The notice shall state that the polls shall be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and it shall state the location of polling places corresponding to each precinct within the city. The City Recorder is further authorized to appoint or cause to be appointed election clerks and judges necessary for the conduct of the election. The full text of the aforesaid measure shall appear in the notice.

ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUTDALE THIS 13th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1979.

YEAS: 6

NAYS: 0

SIGNED BY THE MAYOR THIS 15th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1979.

  
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R. M. STURGES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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JERRI WIDNER, FINANCE DIRECTOR/CITY RECORDER