

RESOLUTION 2017-026

SUPPORTING THE LEVY RENEWAL TO MAINTAIN POLICE SERVICES IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ENHANCED SHERIFF'S PATROL DISTRICT (EPSD), MEASURE 34-272

WHEREAS, Washington County is a vital and strategic partner for providing necessary public safety services; and

WHEREAS, voters established the Enhanced Sheriff's Patrol District (EPSD) in 1987 to provide an enhanced level of police services for residents of the urban areas of Washington, outside of cities, and the local option levy that expires in June 2018 provides about half of the funding for the Patrol District; and

WHEREAS, funds generated from this levy will accomplish the following in the urban unincorporated areas of Washington County:

- Provide funds for investigating major crimes occurring in the EPSD, including homicide, assault, burglary and domestic violence;
- Continue an enhanced level of law enforcement services in the EPSD, even with projected population growth;
- Help fund advanced training in crisis intervention and de-escalation strategies for deputies to use when working with individuals experiencing an emotional or mental health crisis; and
- Maintain current service levels within the Patrol District which provides mutual support to partner public safety agencies in Washington County, and

WHEREAS, these services are critical to the ability of the cities and county to maintain safe communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF SHERWOOD RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City of Sherwood would benefit from continued current law enforcement services levels in the nearby urban unincorporated areas and hereby proclaims its support for the passage of the levy renewal at the May 16, 2017 election date;

Section 2. This Resolution shall be effective upon its approval and adoption.

Duly passed by the City Council this 4th of April, 2017.

Krisanna Clark, Mayor

Attest:

Sylvia Murphy, MMC, City Recorder

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