



Report & Recommendation
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City Manager

AGENDA ITEM
City Council Meeting

TO: City Council
FROM: John N. Duckett, Jr., City Manager
DATE: April 19, 2017
SUBJECT: Ballot Measure Arguments and Rebuttals
FILE NO: New

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the Mayor, Vice Mayor, and City Manager (or any combination thereof), acting on behalf of the City Council, to prepare, sign, and submit a written argument in favor of the Commercial Cannabis Business Tax Measure and submit the corresponding written rebuttal to any argument against the Measure.

BACKGROUND:

City Council has taken formal action to submit to the voters an Ordinance approving and implementing a Commercial Cannabis Business Tax. Upon the request of the City Clerk, the County Registrar of Voters has prepared a Special Election Timeline, in compliance with California Elections Code, for the special election to be held on August 29, 2017.

The deadline for primary arguments (limited to 300 words) supporting or opposing the Measure is May 15, 2017. Rebuttal arguments (limited to 250 words) have a deadline of May 25, 2017.

FISCAL IMPACTS:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

Proposed Resolution

RESOLUTION CC-17-XX

A CITY OF SHASTA LAKE CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, VICE MAYOR, AND CITY MANAGER, OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF, TO PREPARE, SIGN, AND SUBMIT, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL, A WRITTEN ARGUMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE COMMERCIAL CANNABIS BUSINESS TAX MEASURE TO BE VOTED ON BY THE VOTERS AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION ON AUGUST 29, 2017, AND AUTHORIZES THE MAYOR, VICE MAYOR, AND CITY MANAGER, OR ANY COMBINATION THEREOF, TO PREPARE, SIGN, AND SUBMIT WRITTEN REBUTTAL TO ANY ARGUMENT AGAINST THE MEASURE

WHEREAS, the City of Shasta Lake City Council has called for a Special Election (Resolution CC-17-23) to be held on August 29, 2017 to place before the voters an Ordinance imposing taxes on Commercial Cannabis Businesses; and

WHEREAS, the deadline for filing arguments (300 word limit) for or against the measure is May 15, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the deadline for filing rebuttal arguments (250 word limit) is May 25, 2017; and

WHEREAS, all arguments and rebuttals shall be filed in accordance with California Elections Code; and

WHEREAS, prior to the deadline of May 25, 2017, the City Attorney shall prepare an impartial analysis of the Measure pursuant to Section 9280 of the Elections Code.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Shasta Lake City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor, Vice Mayor and City Manager (or any combination thereof), acting on behalf of the City Council, to prepare, sign, and submit a written argument in support of the Commercial Cannabis Business Tax Measure and a written rebuttal to any argument against the Measure.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of May, 2017, by the following vote:

**AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:**

RICHARD KERN, Mayor

ATTEST:

TONI M. COATES, CMC, City Clerk