

CITY OF SILVERTON
RESOLUTION
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A RESOLUTION OF THE SILVERTON CITY COUNCIL SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS OF SILVERTON A FIVE-YEAR LOCAL OPTION TAX RENEWAL TO PROVIDE SWIMMING POOL OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE COSTS

WHEREAS, the City's existing swimming pool is in need of ongoing maintenance and system improvements in order for the City to continue operating the pool year-round; and

WHEREAS, the City previously placed on the ballot in 2013 a five-year local option tax to provide swimming pool operations and maintenance which was approved and then renewed in 2017; and

WHEREAS, the City's five-year local option tax expires on June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, current and projected budgets do not provide the resources for the City to continue operating the swimming pool year-round without additional funding; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that another five-year local option tax levy should be submitted to the voters which will provide for the continued operations and maintenance of the City's swimming pool, at the same value of the current tax of \$275,000 annually and a five-year total of \$1,375,000, with no tax increase; and

WHEREAS, this proposed tax measure must be submitted to the voters of the City for their approval.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SILVERTON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: An election is hereby called for the City of Silverton, Marion County, Oregon for the purpose of submitting to the legal voters of the City the following question;

QUESTION: Shall Silverton impose a tax of \$275,000 annually for five years for swimming pool operations and maintenance beginning in 2023-2024? This measure renews current local option taxes.

Section 2: Tuesday, November 8, 2022 is hereby designated the date for holding the election for the purpose of voting on the measure as stated in Section 1, which election will be by mail-in ballot in the City of Silverton, Marion County, Oregon.

Section 3: The precincts for said election shall be and constitute all of the territory included within the corporate limits of the City of Silverton.

Section 4: The following ballot title and explanatory statement are hereby certified and adopted by the City Council:

Ballot Title:

CAPTION: Five-year Operating Levy for Swimming Pool Operations and Maintenance

QUESTION: Shall Silverton impose a tax of \$275,000 annually for five years for swimming pool operations and maintenance beginning in 2023-2024? This measure renews current local option taxes.

SUMMARY: The City maintains and operates a year-round swimming pool that requires ongoing maintenance for continued operation. Current tax revenues are not adequate to fund the required maintenance and operating costs. The operating and maintenance levy would collect taxes over five years totaling an estimated \$1,375,000. The amount would be levied annually in equal amounts of \$275,000. The taxes would be used to fund necessary major maintenance of the pool and to fund continued year-round operation.

Explanatory Statement:

The City of Silverton maintains and operates a year-round swimming pool that requires ongoing maintenance for continued operation. Current tax revenues are not adequate to fund the required maintenance and operating costs. The operating and maintenance levy would collect taxes over five years totaling \$1,375,000, which would be imposed annually in equal amounts of \$275,000. The taxes would be used to fund necessary maintenance of the pool and fund continued operation.

In 2003 the voters of Silverton authorized a 10 year bond for \$1.2 million to complete improvements to the pool, which was originally constructed in 1939. That bond resulted in a new bathhouse, improvements to the pool itself, and the installation of a zero-depth entry on one end. In 2013 the voters of Silverton authorized a five year levy for \$1,375,000 for the operation and maintenance of the pool which was a levy of \$0.45 per \$1,000 of assessed value. That measure was renewed in 2017 and expires June 30, 2023.

This levy would allow for the continued operation and maintenance of the Silverton pool, currently under contract with the Silver Falls Family YMCA. Funding would allow for future replacement of the pool cover.

The levy would maintain the year-round use of the Silverton Pool for the following (but not limited to):

- Recreation for all Silverton residents and others in the area
- Training facility for the Silverton High School Swim Team
- Training and competition facility for the year-round community swim program

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- Swimming Lessons for area youth
- Exercise classes for all ages
- Lap swim use for all ages
- Handicap Access
- Physical Rehabilitation

How would this operating levy affect property taxes if passed?

The levy would result in an estimated annual collection of \$0.2845 per \$1,000 of assessed value, or approximately \$56.90 a year for a home with an assessed value of \$200,000, the same as the current levy. The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of estimate and may reflect the impact of early payment discounts, compression, and the collection rate.

What if the Measure fails?

If the measure fails, the City will be unable to continue year-round operations of the pool. At this time, there are no identified alternatives to fund operation of the pool beyond June of 2023.

Section 5: The Mayor or designee is authorized to sign and the City Manager/Recorder is authorized to submit the explanatory statement for publication in the Marion County voter's pamphlet on behalf of the City.

Section 6: The City Manager/Recorder shall take all steps on behalf of the City as necessary to carry out the intent and purposes of this resolution in compliance with state law, including but not limited to, providing notice of and publishing the ballot title, editing the ballot title and explanatory statement as required by law, and forwarding the measure to the County Elections Official for placement on the November 8, 2022 ballot.

Section 7: That this resolution is and shall be effective after its passage by the City Council.

Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Silverton, this 11th day of July, 2022.



 Mayor, City of Silverton
 Kyle Palmer

ATTEST



 City Manager/Recorder, City of Silverton
 Ron Chandler