

RESOLUTION NO. 346

A RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS, THE PROPOSITION OF LEVYING A ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT (.5%) RETAILERS' SALES TAX IN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS KANSAS, TO BE IN EFFECT FROM JULY 1, 2007, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2012.

WHEREAS, under the power of cities granted by the Kansas Constitution, Article 12, Section 5(b), and K.S.A. 12-187, the Governing Body may submit to the qualified electors the question of levying a retail sales tax with said tax to be collected by the State Department of Revenue, with the revenue therefrom returned to this City.

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Columbus, Kansas, has determined that the continuation of the sales tax revenue is necessary to finance streets within the City; to finance surface water sewer drainage within the City; to finance emergency response services within the City; to finance ADA compliance and renovations to public facilities; to finance maintenance of public lands; and to finance any other projects within the City deemed necessary by the Governing Body; that property tax increases should be avoided if possible; and that the voters should be given a choice as to the method used to finance public services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS,

Section 1. A special question election shall be held in the manner prescribed by law for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the City of Columbus, Kansas, the question of levying a retailers' sales tax in the City of Columbus, Kansas, in the amount of one-half of one percent (.5%), such tax to take effect on July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2012, if approved by a majority of the electors voting therein. The election shall be held on Tuesday, February 27, 2007, at the Columbus Community Building, and the polls shall be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Section 2. If approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon, such tax shall be subject to all applicable state laws and administrative rules and regulations of the Kansas Department of Revenue. The services of the Department of Revenue shall be utilized to administer, enforce and collect such tax.

Section 3. The City Clerk and County Election Officer shall cause notices to be published of this special question election, as provided by law.