BILL 2015-31

****** Full Reading ******

Agenda Item

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Mark S. Gaugh, City Manager

DATE: August 17, 2015

RE: Ordinance - Economic Development Sales Tax Election Results

Issues

On Tuesday, August 4, 2015, Cameron citizens voted on the question of whether to impose a ½ cent sales tax for economic development projects. One of the projects was to build a new aquatic facility at Recreation Park; another was to construct a four (4) ball field complex; and the final component was to fund other economic development efforts for attracting employers/businesses to Cameron. The final vote totals were:

Yes	377
No	857

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Council consider the ordinance for passage. The sales tax initiative can be placed on the ballot again as early as August, 2016, if Council elects to do so.

Bill 2015-31

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE PRIMARY ELECTION HELD 4 AUGUST 2015 TO DETERMINE IF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES SHALL IMPOSE A ONE HALF OF ONE PERCENT SALES TAX FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Upon the canvass of the returns, according to law, of the results of the Primary Election held in the City of Cameron, Clinton and DeKalb Counties, Missouri on 5 August 2015 on the following question was as follows:

QUESTION

"Shall the City of Cameron, Clinton and DeKalb Counties, Missouri, impose a sales tax at a rate one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) for economic development purposes, including, but not limited to, adding to and reconstructing the existing swimming pool to provide a new aquatic center, constructing and equipping a new ball field complex, and acquiring and developing land for economic development prospects, all to aid in attracting and retaining businesses in the City?"

YES: 377 NO: 857

Section 2. The Council finds the same was held in all respects in conformity with the ordinances of the City of Cameron, and laws of the State of Missouri; that the various Judges and Clerks were qualified and duly sworn in before entering upon the discharge of their respective duties; that the records of said election were duly certified according to law; that from a canvass of said election returns the Council finds the following number of yes and no votes received, said total covering the entire City of Cameron, Missouri.

Section 2. The Council further finds that the total number of votes cast by the entire City of Cameron, Missouri in the above election was 1234.

Section 3. The Council further finds after full and final canvass of said returns that the proposed sales tax failed to pass by a simple majority of the votes.

Read two times, passed and approved this 17th day of August 2015.

_____
Mayor Dennis M. Clark

ATTEST:

_____
City Clerk/Finance Clerk

Full Reading

CANVASS OF THE CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION IN THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DEKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI ON 4 AUGUST 2015

A ONE HALF OF ONE PERCENT SALES TAX FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES

Shall the City of Cameron, Clinton and DeKalb Counties, Missouri, impose a one half of one percent sales tax for economic development purposes.

Yes	377
No	857

I, Barbara J. O'Connor, Clerk of the City of Cameron, Missouri, hereby certify the above and foregoing to be a true, correct and complete abstract of all votes cast in said city, for a one half of one percent sales tax for economic development purposes at the Primary Election, held on the 4th day of August 2015, as shown by the returns made to my office by the County Clerks of Clinton and DeKalb Counties.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said city at my office in Cameron, Missouri, this 17th day of August 2015.

_____

Barbara J. O'Connor, CMC
City Clerk/Finance Clerk
City of Cameron

Full Reading