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CLALLAM COUNTY AUDITOR
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RESOLUTION 69, 2017

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A SALES/USE TAX FOR THE OPERATION OF
CLALLAM COUNTY JUVENILE AND FAMILY SERVICES FACILITY

THE BOARD OF CLALLAM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS finds as follows:

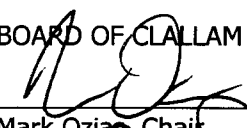
1. In 1997, the State Legislature eliminated that portion of the Vehicle Excise Tax allocated to counties and cities for Criminal Justice. In 2002, the State Legislature eliminated the criminal justice funding to Clallam County and the cities within the County. Elimination of state criminal justice funding did result in decreased funding to local county and city criminal justice departments. Decreased funding did result in reduction of these agencies' ability to prevent, respond, investigate, prosecute, and adjudicate criminal acts in our community.
2. The Clallam County Law and Justice Council which represents the criminal justice agencies and legislative bodies of the county and all incorporated cities met and determined that a critical need exists to reduce detention costs in order to allow existing criminal justice funding to be used to replace lost revenue from the State of Washington.
3. Pursuant to RCW 82.14.350, the Commissioners of Clallam County and the Clallam County Law and Justice Council have requested that a question be placed on the general election ballot on November 7, 2017 to determine whether Clallam County shall fix and impose a sales/use tax of one-tenth of one percent to be used to obtain funds for costs associated with equipping, repairing, maintaining, and/or operating the Clallam County Juvenile and Family Services Facility.

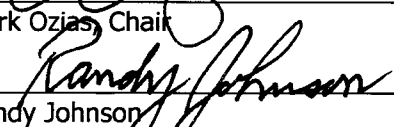
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Clallam County Commissioners, in consideration of the above findings of fact:


1. The Clallam County Auditor is hereby directed to place a question on the general election ballot on November 7, 2017 for voters within Clallam County to determine whether Clallam County shall fix and impose a sales/use tax of one-tenth of one percent to be used to obtain funds for costs associated with financing, equipping, repairing, maintaining, and/or operating the County Juvenile and Family Services Facility.
2. The County shall direct all of the funding generated by the tax toward the cost of operating the Clallam County Juvenile and Family Services Facility at an existing service level. Funds generated by the tax would offset existing detention expenditures, making those monies available to replace lost state criminal justice funding.
3. The sample ballot title, as shown on the attached Exhibit A, is incorporated herein by reference.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this twenty-fifth day of July 2017

BOARD OF CLALLAM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS


Mark Ozias, Chair


Randy Johnson


Bill Peach

ATTEST:

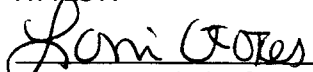

Loni Gores, Clerk of the Board

EXHIBIT A

BALLOT TITLE

Shall the Board of Commissioners of Clallam County impose a sales/use tax of a one-tenth of one percent (.1%) for the purpose of obtaining funds for costs associated with improving, maintaining, and operating the Clallam County Juvenile and Family Services Facility? Funds generated by the tax would offset existing detention expenditures, making those monies available to replace lost state funding previously distributed to Clallam County.

Yes

No