

RESOLUTION NO. 2013/006

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AT THE AUGUST 6, 2013 PRIMARY ELECTION OF A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL SALES AND USE TAX AT THE RATE OF 0.1 PERCENT PURSUANT TO RCW 82.14.450 TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE PURPOSES; PROVIDING A FORM OF THE BALLOT PROPOSITION; ENTERING LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS; AND PROVIDING DIRECTION TO STAFF.

WHEREAS, ensuring the protection and safety of the Monroe community is a fundamental priority of the City of Monroe; and

WHEREAS, the recent economic downturn has significantly reduced the financial resources available to the City, including the resources available for criminal justice activities; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Legislature has recently amended RCW 82.14.450 to authorize cities to submit a proposition to local voters approving a sales and use tax increase, the revenues from which may be utilized for criminal justice purposes; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with RCW 82.14.450, the City Council desires to submit a proposition to local voters authorizing an additional sales and use tax at the rate of 0.1 percent of the selling price and 0.1 percent of the value of the article used, respectively, the revenues from which will be used by the City exclusively for criminal justice purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Findings. The above recitals are hereby adopted as legislative findings by the City Council. The City Council further finds that the best interests and general welfare of the City of Monroe would be served by imposing a 0.1 percent increase in the local sales and use tax rate and utilizing the revenues collected from said tax for criminal justice purposes.

Section 2. Election. The Snohomish County Auditor, as *ex officio* supervisor of elections, is hereby requested to submit to the qualified electors of the City of Monroe the proposition set forth in Section 3 of this resolution at the August 6, 2013 election to be held within the City.

Section 3. Ballot Proposition. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, no later than May 10, 2013, to certify the following proposition to the Snohomish County Auditor in substantially the following form:

CITY OF MONROE
PROPOSITION NO. 1

SALES AND USE TAX INCREASE FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE
PURPOSES

The City Council of the City of Monroe has adopted Resolution No. 2013/006 concerning a sales and use tax increase pursuant to RCW 82.14.450. If approved, this proposition would authorize an additional sales and use tax at the rate of 0.1 percent to be used exclusively for criminal justice purposes. Should this proposition be:

APPROVED?.....

REJECTED?

Section 4. Changes. The Mayor and City Attorney are authorized to make such minor adjustments to the wording of such proposition as may be recommended by the Snohomish County Auditor, provided that the intent of the proposition remains clear and consistent with the intent of this resolution as approved by the City Council.

Section 5. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon passage by the City Council.

PASSED by the City Council this 12th day of March, 2013.

CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON



Robert G. Zimmerman, Mayor

ATTEST:



Eadye Martinson, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



J. Zachary Lell, City Attorney