

RESOLUTION NO. 15-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, SUPPORTING COVINGTON TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT PROPOSITION NO. 1 WHICH, IF APPROVED, WOULD AUTHORIZE A SALES AND USE TAX FOR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2015, voters in the City of Covington will decide whether to approve Proposition No. 1, the Covington Transportation Benefit District funding measure; and

WHEREAS, in the last several years, new transportation challenges have emerged affecting the funding of transportation improvements within the City of Covington, including a prolonged recession and declining gas tax, property tax, and sales tax revenues; and

WHEREAS, if approved, Proposition No. 1 would authorize the Covington Transportation Benefit District to levy a 0.002 sales and use tax for up to ten years; and

WHEREAS, if approved, Proposition No. 1 would provide dedicated funding to sustain existing routine street maintenance programs, reinstate annual street overlays, enhance asphalt patching and crack sealing, eliminate the General Fund subsidy to the Street Fund, and address other unmet transportation needs within the City of Covington; and

WHEREAS, the city has estimated that the Covington Transportation Benefit District may receive as much as \$750,000 per year for transportation improvements within Covington if Proposition No. 1 is approved; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 47.17A.555, the city council desires to show its support for Covington Transportation Benefit District Proposition No. 1, which, if approved, would authorize a sales and use tax for transportation improvements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Covington, King County, Washington, as follows:

Section 1. The city council supports Covington Transportation Benefit District Proposition No. 1.

Section 2. The city council urges Covington voters to support Covington Transportation Benefit District Proposition No.1 to fund street maintenance programs and address other transportation improvements and unmet needs within Covington.

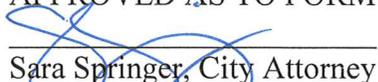
PASSED in open and regular session this 10th day of February, 2015.

ATTESTED:


Sharon Scott, City Clerk


Mayor Margaret Harto

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Sara Springer, City Attorney