

RESOLUTION NO. 576

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ACCORDING TO THE CONSTITUTION AND STATUTES OF THE STATE OF OREGON AND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF PRINEVILLE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING OR REJECTING A NEW TAX BASE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$319,618.00; PROVIDING FOR A BALLOT TITLE, WHICH SHALL CONTAIN A CAPTION, QUESTION, PURPOSE AND EXPLANATION CLAUSE: PROVIDING FOR THE TIME AND PLACE OF THE ELECTION: AND PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF THE ELECTION.

WHEREAS, in three of the four fiscal years commencing with the 1976-77 fiscal year, the City of Prineville has (1) submitted to the voters a tax measure for operating purposes; (2) received voter approval to levy the taxes; and (3) actually levied this tax outside its tax base.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Prineville resolves as follows:

Section 1. That an election to provide for a vote on a new tax base in the amount of \$319,618.00 for the purpose of providing funds for general operations of the City commencing with the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1981, shall be held and the same is hereby called to be held in the City of Prineville, Crook County, Oregon, on Tuesday, November 4, 1980.

Section 2. The ballot title under which the proposal shall appear is as follows:

51. ESTABLISHING A NEW TAX BASE.

QUESTION: Shall the City of Prineville establish a new tax base of \$319,618.00 to be effective with the 1981-82 fiscal year?

PURPOSE: This measure established a new tax base of \$319,618.00 pursuant to Article XI, Oregon Constitution. The measure grants permanent tax levy authority and authorizes the City Council to levy not more than \$319,618.00 beginning with fiscal year 1981-82. In future years the levy can be increased a maximum of 6% each year without voter approval. This levy will be used to partially finance the general operations of the City as authorized by law.

EXPLANATION: The City of Prineville offers, through its general fund, services to its citizens. These services include police and fire protection, ambulance service, parks and recreational activities and general administration. Estimated operating expenses of the general fund for the current 1980-81 fiscal year \$1,065,303. Local property taxes presently provide \$68,554.00 as a tax base for the support for this fund. With a new tax base the City Council may levy a constitutionally controlled amount each year without referral to the voters. It is expected that a new tax base will ensure continuity of the services provided by the City, help stabilize City finances and reduce the number of special elections. Without a new tax base, the City must submit special levy requests each year at special elections. A new tax base will be financed partially by the State of Oregon.

Section 3. That the Common Council deems it advisable and does hereby call and make necessary provision for the holding of an election which shall be and hereby is called to be held on the 4th day of November, 1980.

The electors voting at said election shall cast a ballot on the new tax base in the amount of \$319,618.00 which shall contain, in addition to the ballot title, the words " \_\_\_\_\_ YES, I VOTE FOR THE PROPOSED NEW TAX BASE; \_\_\_\_\_ NO, I VOTE AGAINST THE PROPOSED NEW TAX BASE," which ballot each voter shall mark and cast according to law as each may desire to vote.

Section 4. The City Recorder be and he is hereby instructed to publish a notice of election in full with the ballot title therefore once or oftener within the time period established by statute immediately preceding said election in the Central Oregonian, the official newspaper of the City, and hereby designated for said purpose, the first publication of said notice to be not less than ten (10) days prior to said election, and by posting written notice of the proposed new tax base in the sum of \$319,618.00 commencing with the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1981, in three public places: (1) Bulletin Board, City Hall; (2) Bulletin Board, U.S. Post Office, Prineville, Oregon, and (3) Bulletin Board, Crook County Courthouse, Prineville, Oregon. The City Recorder shall make such arrangements with the Crook County Clerk of Court as are necessary for the conduct of this election.

Passed by the City Council this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 1980.

Approved by the Mayor this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 1980.



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Nello Giovannini, Mayor

ATTEST:



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Henry Hartley, Acting City Administrator/Recorder