

RESOLUTION 2016-16

A RESOLUTION SETTING A BALLOT TITLE AND DIRECTING THE CITY ELECTIONS OFFICIAL TO TAKE ALL APPROPRIATE STEPS TO PLACE THE QUESTION CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL TAX ON THE NOVEMBER 2016 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

WHEREAS, Ordinance 211 as amended by Ordinance 211-A establishes a motor vehicle fuel tax of three cents a gallon for all motor vehicles except commercial diesel vehicles; and

WHEREAS, ORS 319.950 requires that, before amending Coburg's motor vehicle fuel tax, Coburg must seek the approval of the electors of Coburg; and

WHEREAS, the deteriorated condition of Coburg's streets, caused by the passage of motor vehicles, including commercial diesel vehicles, is such that an increase in the revenue dedicated to repairing Coburg's streets is the only feasible way that the City can prevent further deterioration and, perhaps, provide for some street improvements;

NOW THEREFORE, THE COBURG CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The following ballot title is approved and filed with the City Elections Official:

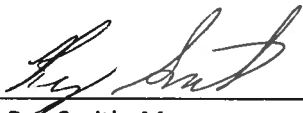
Caption: Change Fuel Tax for gas to six cents a gallon.

Question: Shall Coburg's Motor Fuel Tax be changed by increasing it to six cents a gallon for gasoline?

Summary: Coburg's current gas tax is three cents a gallon, and does not tax non-commercial or commercial diesel sales. An affirmative answer to this referral will approve the Coburg City Council's adoption of an amended motor vehicle fuel tax of six cents a gallon for gasoline. Any funds raised by the Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax can only be spent on activities and materials directly related to repairs or improvements to Coburg's streets.


Section 2. The City Recorder (as the City Elections Official) and the City Attorney are directed to take all appropriate steps to place the ballot title on the ballot for the November 2016 election.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Coburg, Oregon, by a vote of 5 for and 1 against, this 12th day of July, 2016.



Ray Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sammy L. Egbert, City Recorder