City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201



Agenda Item Number: R 185-15

Department Source: Law

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: 11/16/2015

Re: Declaring the Results of the November 3, 2015 Local Parks Sales Tax Ballot Question

Documents Included With This Agenda Item

Council memo, Resolution/Ordinance

Supporting documentation includes: Certification of Election Results

Executive Summary

Staff has prepared a resolution to formally declare and approve the results of the local parks sales tax ballot question held on November 3, 2015.

Discussion

On November 3, 2015, the voters approved an extension of the local parks sales tax for a period of six (6) years by a vote of 6,051 in favor and 2,506 against Proposition 1. A resolution has been prepared to formally declare and approve the special election results.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None. Long-Term Impact: None.

Vision, Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Vision Impact: Not Applicable

Strategic Plan Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impact: Not Applicable

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Suggested Council Action					
Adoption of the resolution.					
Legislative History					

Ordinance No. 022549 was passed by the City Council on August 17, 2015 calling a special election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2015, on the question whether to extend the one-eighth of one percent local parks sales tax.

Department Approved

City Manager Approved

Introduced by	Council Bill No.	R 185-15

A RESOLUTION

declaring the results of the election held in the City of Columbia, Missouri on November 3, 2015.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Council declares that the election held in the City of Columbia, Missouri on November 3, 2015, to consider whether to authorize the City to impose a local parks sales tax was duly and regularly held and conducted in accordance with the laws of the State of Missouri and the ordinances of the City of Columbia, Missouri.

SECTION 2. In accordance with the results of the election certified by Wendy S. Noren, Clerk of the County Commission and Election Authority in and for the County of Boone, State of Missouri, the Council hereby finds and declares that the following votes were cast in the November 3, 2015, election:

PROPOSITION 1

Shall the municipality of Columbia, Missouri impose a sales tax of one-eighth of one percent, for six (6) years, for the purpose of providing funding for local parks for the municipality?

The current one-fourth of one percent local parks sales tax is scheduled to be reduced to one-eighth of one percent on March 31, 2016. Approval of this proposition would keep the local parks sales tax rate at one-fourth of one percent for an additional six (6) years.

The city intends to use this sales tax to fund projects in the city's parks, recreation and open space master plan including renovations and improvements to existing parks, development of neighborhood and community parks, development of trails and greenbelts, and the acquisition of land for parks, trails, greenbelts and open space preservation.

YES 6,051 NO 2,506

SECTION 3. Based on the results of the election set forth in Section 2, the Council hereby declares that a majority of the qualified voters of the City voting on Proposition 1 approved the proposition and the City is therefore authorized to impose a one-eighth of one percent local parks sales tax for six (6) years.

ADOPTED this	day of		2015.
ATTEST:			
City Clerk		Mayor and Presiding Off	icer
APPROVED AS TO FORM:			
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City Counselor			



SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS INCLUDED WITH THIS AGENDA ITEM ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Certification of Election Results

State of Missouri)

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County of Boone)

I, Wendy S. Noren, Clerk of the County Commission and Election Authority in and for the County of Boone, State of Missouri, do hereby certify that at the election held in the City of Columbia, County of Boone, State of Missouri, on Tuesday, November 3, 2015, there were cast by the qualified voters of said City the following votes:

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YES 6,051 NO 2,506

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the County of Boone, done at office in Columbia, Missouri, this 9th day of November, 2015.

(seal)

Wendy S. Noren

Clerk of the County Commission and Election Authority in and for

the County of Boone, State of Missouri