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One-Quarter Cent Capital Improvements Sales Tax Proposition

Election Date - August 8, 2017

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Overview

Current 1/4¢ Stormwater Capital Improvements Sales Tax

- *Expires October 2017*
- *Dedicated Specifically for Stormwater Needs*

Proposed 1/4¢ General Capital Improvements Sales Tax

- *Would Renew/Continue Tax Described Above*
- *No Sales Tax Increase* - *The Current Sales Tax Rate Would Remain Unchanged*
- *Allow for Funds to be Used for Capital Improvements of Any Type, Including Stormwater*

Duration of Proposed Sales Tax

- *10 Years*

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Ballot Language

Shall the City of Republic, Missouri, continue to impose a sales tax at the rate of one quarter of one percent (1/4 of 1%) to be collected for a period of ten (10) years beginning October 1, 2017, for the purpose of funding infrastructure and departmental capital improvements?

A vote in favor of the question will not serve to raise existing sales tax rates imposed by the City of Republic.

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Tax Revenue Projections

2018	\$590,000	2023	\$620,096
2019	\$595,900	2024	\$626,297
2020	\$601,859	2025	\$632,560
2021	\$607,878	2026	\$638,885
2022	\$613,956	2027	\$645,274
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		Total	\$6,172,705*

**Assumes 1% Growth of Sales Tax Revenue Annually*

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Planned Improvements

- Sidewalk & Trail Additions
- East Hines Street Improvements
- New Animal Control Facility
- City Gateway/Welcoming Signs
- Storm Siren Additions
- ADA Transition Plan Improvements
- New Digital Radios for Emergency Services
- Fleet Vehicles – Police Department, etc.
- Downtown Revitalization
- Stormwater Projects

Additional needs may be identified over the course of the taxation period.

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Sidewalk & Trail Additions

- **Sidewalk Additions**
 - *North Main Sidewalk Addition*
 - *South Hampton Sidewalk Addition*
 - *East Hines Sidewalk Addition*
 - *West Hines Sidewalk Addition*
 - *East Harrison Sidewalk Addition*
- **Trail Additions**
 - *Shuyler Creek Trail Extension*

\$1,100,000

Additional sidewalk and trail additions over the course of the taxation period are possible.

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East Hines Street

- Street Widening
- Intersection Improvements
- Curb & Gutter

\$2,000,000

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Animal Control Facility

- **New Facility to Replace Existing Facility**
- **Description/Amenities**
 - *Professional Public Setting*
 - *Dog Runs*
 - *Cat Cages*
 - *Office Space for Animal Control Staff*
 - *Restroom(s)*
 - *Possible Crematorium*

\$250,000

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Gateway/Welcoming Signs

- **Main Gateway Signs**
 - *Hwy 60 Eastbound*
 - *Hwy 60 Westbound*
 - *James River & MM*
 - *Roundabout (Republic Road, FR 103, Repmo Drive)*
- **Secondary Gateway Signs**
 - *Hwy 174*
 - *Hwy N*
 - *Hwy P*
- **Wayfinding Signs & Street Signs**

\$400,000

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Storm Siren Additions

- **New Storm Sirens**
 - *Island Green*
 - *Miller Park (Voice Over)*
 - *Future Areas of Deficiency*

\$150,000

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ADA Improvements

- Necessary Improvements Per 2016 ADA Transition Plan
 - Sidewalks
 - Parking Lots
 - Facility Access & Entrances
 - Facilities – Internal Accessibility Issues
 - Park Access & Entrances
 - Parks – Internal Accessibility Issues

\$250,000

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Digital Radios

- **Transition from Analog to Digital Radios**
 - *Federal Compliance Required by 2020*
 - *Used by Fire Department, Emergency Management, Police Department, etc.*
 - *Approximately 50 New Radios Needed @ \$2,500 Each*
 - *Additional Expense of Portion of Set-Up & Network*

\$150,000

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Fleet Vehicles

- **Republic Police Department Fleet Vehicles**
 - *Three New Vehicles Per Year*
 - *\$30,000 Per New Vehicle*
 - *\$5,000 - \$10,000 Per New Vehicle to Decal & Equip*
- **Other Departmental Fleet Vehicles**
 - *Code Compliance*
 - *Building Inspections*
 - *Etc.*

\$1,200,000

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Downtown Revitalization

- Milling, Leveling, & Repaving of Main Street
- Streetscape
- Parking Reconfiguration
- New Sidewalks
- Planters/Beautification
- Decorative Lighting

\$370,000

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Stormwater Projects

- **West Charles Street**
 - *Located in Southwest Portion of City*
 - *Improvements Needed between Hwy 60 & Miller Road*
- **Other Stormwater Projects**

\$300,000

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Are my taxes going to increase?

A. No. With voter approval, the existing ¼¢ Capital Improvements Stormwater Sales Tax will renew as a ¼¢ General Capital Improvements Sales Tax. There will be no sales tax increase should this proposed tax pass.

Q. Is this a new sales tax?

A. No. Originally approved by voters in 1995 as a Capital Improvements Stormwater Sales Tax, this tax has been subsequently renewed in 1999, 2002, 2007 and again in 2012.

Q. Why is it now being presented as a General Capital Improvements Sales Tax instead of stormwater only?

A. The City has a number of capital improvement needs in addition to stormwater improvements. Per State Statute, if dedicated for stormwater, the tax can only be used for that purpose. As a General Capital Improvements Sales Tax, the City will be able to use the funds for general capital improvements as well as stormwater improvements.

Q. How were these planned improvements identified?

A. The City of Republic has many items that need to be addressed. These planned improvements were selected by members of the Capital Improvements Committee and the Republic City Council as they will provide a significant impact to the residents of Republic.

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Information

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