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ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/REORDERING TO AGENDA
TUESDAY, APRIL 05, 2016 - 6:00 PM

Updates/Future Action/Directions:

Item 9. (G.) (add) Resolution supporting Palm Beach County's sales tax increase.

AGENDA DATE: April 5, 2016 **DEPARTMENT:** **City Manager**

EXECUTIVE BRIEF

TITLE:
Resolution supporting Palm Beach County's one cent sales tax increase.

SUMMARY:
On March 22, 2016 the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County approved a plan in cooperation with the School District of Palm Beach County and in accordance with Section 212.055, Florida Statues, to enact a one-cent sales tax to pay for needed improvements to infrastructure, parks, public safety initiatives and economic development.

BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION:
The League of Cities asked that this item be added to the next Commission meeting supporting the one-cent sales tax increase as the allocation of the funds will be beneficial to the City of Lake Worth. The allocation of the funds received will be as 48 percent to the School District; 27.5 percent to the County; 18.5 percent to the 38 municipalities within Palm Beach County; 4.5 percent to the cultural institutions and 1.5 percent to economic development.

MOTION:

I move to approve/not approve the Resolution to support the County's one-cent sales tax.

ATTACHMENT(S):
Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 19-2016 OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING PALM BEACH COUNTY AND THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PALM BEACH COUNTY'S PLAN TO ENACT A ONE-CENT SALES TAX TO PAY FOR NEEDED IMPROVEMENTS TO PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE, PARKS, PUBLIC SAFETY INITIATIVES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TO PLACE A REFERENDUM ON THE NOVEMBER 8, 2016 BALLOT FOR VOTER APPROVAL OF SUCH SALES TAX; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the establishment and maintenance of infrastructure is a core function of local government; and,

WHEREAS, there are many critical improvements that need to be made to infrastructure in Palm Beach County and in the 38 municipalities within the County that cannot be funded with existing revenue sources in the foreseeable future; and,

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County approved a plan in cooperation with the School District of Palm Beach County, and in accordance with Section 212.055, Florida Statutes, to enact a one-cent sales tax to pay for needed improvements to infrastructure, parks, public safety initiatives and economic development; and,

WHEREAS, the plan approved by the Board of County Commissioners allocated the sales tax proceeds as follows: 48 percent to the School District; 27.5 percent to the County 18.5 percent to the 38 municipalities within Palm Beach County; 4.5 percent to the cultural institutions and 1.5 percent to economic development; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1: The City Commission of the City of Lake Worth hereby supports the one-cent sales tax plan that would fund important infrastructure, parks, public safety and economic development initiatives of Palm Beach County, the School District of Palm Beach County and the 38 municipalities within Palm Beach County.

Section 2: The City Commission of the City of Lake Worth hereby supports continued efforts to place the one-cent sales tax referendum on the November 8, 2016 general election ballot.

Section 3: The City Commission of the City of Lake Worth directs the City Clerk to distribute this Resolution to the Board of County Commissioners for Palm Beach County, the Palm Beach County School Board and the Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.

Section 4: This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

The passage of this Resolution was moved by Commissioner _____, seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Pam Triolo
Vice Mayor Scott Maxwell
Commissioner Christopher McVoy
Commissioner Andy Amoroso
Commissioner Ryan Maier

The Mayor thereupon declared this Resolution duly passed and adopted on this 5th day of April, 2016.

LAKE WORTH CITY COMMISSION

By: _____
Pam Triolo, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Pamela J. Lopez, City Clerk