

RESOLUTION NO. 4581

(Ballot Question to Incur General Obligation Debt and Levy Additional Taxes for Fire Department Facilities, Operations, Maintenance, Personnel and Equipment)

AN RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HENDERSON, NEVADA, EXPRESSING ITS INTENT TO INTRODUCE A QUESTION THAT WILL BE PLACED ON THE CITY OF HENDERSON NOVEMBER 5, 2024 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT ASKING THE CITY OF HENDERSON VOTERS WHETHER TO INCUR \$27,500,000 IN GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT TO FINANCE CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT FACILITIES AND TO LEVY A SPECIAL ELECTIVE TAX FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS, MAINTENANCE, PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT.

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2024, the City Council approved Resolution No. 4571 placing a question on the ballot of the November 5, 2024 General Election to submit to the qualified electors of the City for their approval or disapproval a proposal to incur \$27,500,000 in general obligation debt to finance construction and improvement of fire department facilities and to levy a special elective tax for fire department operations, maintenance, personnel and equipment, which was subsequently amended by City Council on April 16, 2024 to read as follows:

Shall the City of Henderson be authorized to levy an additional property tax of \$.06 per \$100 of assessed valuation for a period of 30 years, commencing July 1, 2025, for the purpose of improving public safety by reducing the response times, including for emergency medical services, of the Henderson Fire Department? A YES vote authorizes up to \$27,500,000 of general obligation bonds to be issued for the purpose of construction of new facilities and modernizing existing facilities and will generate additional revenue to be used to support the operations, maintenance, personnel and equipment needs of the Henderson Fire Department.

The total levy is estimated to result in an increase in property taxes of an average of \$21 per year for the owner of a new \$100,000 home. If approved, any property tax levied as authorized by this question would be exempted from the tax cap provisions established by the legislature in the 2005 session.

(the "Ballot Question"); and

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WHEREAS, on April 16, 2024, City Council appointed Jason Andoscia, Douglas Hedger and Heather Stamer to serve on the “For” Committee to write an argument and rebuttal to advocate for the Ballot Question to be approved by voters and Marilyn Armanino, Timothy Brooks and Rick Smith to serve on the “Against” Committee to write an argument and rebuttal to advocate for the Ballot Question to be rejected by voters;

WHEREAS, the committees prepared arguments in support of and opposition of approval by the voters of the Ballot Question and rebuttals to those respective arguments, and the committees prepared these ballot materials subject to the Ballot Question Committee Rules adopted by City Council on March 19, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, with this resolution, shall adopt the following final ballot materials to be submitted by the City Clerk to the Clark County Registrar of Voters to be provided to the voters of the City of Henderson, including: (i) the language of the Ballot Question; (ii) the explanation and digest of the Ballot Question; (iii) any anticipated financial effect; (iv) argument in support of approval plus rebuttal; and (v) argument in opposition of approval plus rebuttal. These ballot materials shall be collectively referred to herein as the “Final Ballot Materials” and are attached hereto as Exhibit “A”; and

WHEREAS, additional reference materials cited in the argument provided by the “For” Committee are available for public review at the City Clerk’s website located at:
<https://www.cityofhenderson.com/government/departments/city-clerk/elections/current-ballot-questions>.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Henderson, Nevada:

SECTION 1. City Council hereby approves the Final Ballot Materials, attached hereto as Exhibit “A.”

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SECTION 2. As required by applicable Nevada law, the City Council hereby directs the City Clerk to submit a copy of the Ballot Question and the Final Ballot Materials, attached hereto as Exhibit "A," to the Clark County Registrar of Voters for inclusion on the November 5, 2024 General Election ballot for the voters of the City of Henderson.

SECTION 3. If the Ballot Question is approved by a majority of the voters of the City at the November 5, 2024 General Election, the City will be authorized to levy an additional property tax of \$.06 per \$100 of assessed valuation for a period of 30 years, commencing July 1, 2025, for the purposes specified in the Ballot Question and the City shall be authorized to issue up to \$27,500,000 of general obligation bonds for the purposes specified in the Ballot Question.

SECTION 4. If the Ballot Question is not approved by a majority of voters of the City at the November 5, 2024 General Election, then no changes will be made to the existing tax rates of the City and no general obligation bonds will be authorized.

SECTION 5. All actions, proceedings, matters and things heretofore taken, had and done by the City Council, City Clerk, City Attorney and the officers, employees and representatives of the City (not inconsistent with the provisions of this Resolution) directed toward the Ballot Question, be and the same hereby are, ratified, approved and confirmed.

SECTION 6. The City Clerk, City Attorney and the officers, employees and representatives of the City are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions, proceedings, matters and things heretofore taken, had and done by the City Council, and the officers thereof (not inconsistent with the provisions of this Resolution) directed toward the Ballot Question.

SECTION 5. All resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this resolution, are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency. This repealer shall not be construed to revive any resolution, or part thereof, heretofore repealed.

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SECTION 6. If any section, paragraph, clause or other provision of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause or other provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

SECTION 7. This Resolution shall become effective and be in force immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED THIS 4th DAY OF JUNE, 2024, BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL-CALL VOTE OF COUNCIL.

Those voting aye:
Michelle Romero, Mayor
Councilmembers:
Jim Seebock
Dan H. Stewart
Dan K. Shaw

Those voting nay: None
Those abstaining: None
Those absent: Carrie Cox

Michelle Romero, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jose Luis Valdez, CMC, City Clerk

EXHIBIT "A"

FINAL BALLOT MATERIALS

[Please see the attached pages.]