

REQUESTED BY: CITY MANAGER, BILL KOCHER

DATE OF FIRST READING: 7-1-2014 WAIVE RULES? YES NO

FINAL ACTION DATE: 7-15-2014 VOTE: YES NO

SUSPENSION OF TWO READING RULE:

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ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE:

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ORDINANCE NO. 14-1708

AN ORDINANCE SUBMITTING AN INCOME TAX INCREASE FROM 1.5% TO 2.0% TO THE MT. HEALTHY VOTERS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Whereas, the Council of the City of Mt. Healthy has determined that an increase in the earnings tax percentage from 1.5% to 2% is necessary to provide police protection services in the city,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MT. HEALTHY, STATE OF OHIO THAT:

Section 1. The Council hereby instructs that this Ordinance shall be filed with the Hamilton County Board of Elections more than 90 days prior to the November 4, 2014 general election. The Board of Elections is hereby directed to include in the November 4, 2014 general election the issue of whether the Mt. Healthy Income Tax percentage levy on income shall be increased from 1.5% to 2%.

Section 2. The date of the general election at which the ballot language shall be included is November 4, 2014.

Section 3. The following suggested ballot language is hereby submitted to the Board of Elections and the Ohio Secretary of State for consideration:

"Shall the Ordinance providing an increase in the percentage levy on income from 1.5% to 2% for the specific purpose of providing police protection services be passed. The .5% increase shall only be used for police protection services, including without limitation salaries, equipment, vehicles and communication. The tax increase shall be effective on and after January 1, 2015."

 FOR THE TAX INCREASE
 AGAINST THE TAX INCREASE

Section 4. In the event of an affirmative vote by a majority of Mt. Healthy voters at the election, the additional proceeds generated by this tax increase shall only be used for the specified purpose of providing police protection services, including without limitation salaries, equipment, vehicles and communication.

Section 5. In the event of an affirmative vote, the tax increase shall be effective from and after January 1, 2015.

Section 6. The suggested ballot language above may be amended or altered at the discretion of the Hamilton County Board of Elections or the Ohio Secretary of State.

Section 7. This Ordinance is an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the health, safety and welfare of the City of Mt. Healthy and shall be in full force and effect immediately upon passage. The reason for the emergency is in order to meet the filing deadline for the November 4, 2014 general election.

Passed this 19 day of July, 2014.

Stan Butts
President of Council

Attest: Melanie E
Clerk of Council

Approved this 19 day of July, 2014.

Joseph J. Rottling
Mayor

Approved as to form:

Stephen J. Wolf
Law Director