

## **Staff Report**

For Special City Council Meeting - 8/13/2021

## Subject - Ordinances/Resolutions - Resolution #964 Fire Station Bond Measure

**Synopsis:** To fund a new fire/police station, the citizens of Gearhart will need to approve a construction bond measure at the November 2nd, 2021 election. The City Council is responsible for submitting the bond measure to the elections official by August 13th, 2021 for the November election. The city attorney will be presenting the council with a ballot title.

## **Council Options:**

- 1) Resolve to submit a fire/police station bond measure to the County for a November vote via the pending resolution;
- 2) Make changes to the pending document, resolving to approve as amended;
- 3) Do nothing.

**Recommended Motion:** Staff recommends the Council resolve to submit a fire/police station bond measure to the County for a November vote via (pending) Resolution #964.

**Legal Analysis:** Documents will be provided at the Special Council meeting.

Financial Analysis: Cost estimates for the project will be submitted at the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

**-**Chad

## **RESOLUTION #964**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING REFERRAL TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF GEARHART AT THE NOVEMBER 2, 2021 ELECTION, THE QUESTION OF SHALL GEARHART ISSUE UP TO \$13 MILLION IN GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR A NEW FIRE / POLICE STATION

WHEREAS, State laws authorize a City Council to seek voter approval of General Obligation Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Gearhart adopted Resolution #964, which authorizes up to \$13,000,000 in General Obligation Bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of Gearhart desires to refer Resolution #964, to the electors of the City of Gearhart.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Gearhart City Council that:

**SECTION 1: Measure.** A measure election is called in and for the City of Gearhart, Clatsop County, Oregon, for the purpose of submitting a measure that would authorize \$13,000,000 in General Obligation Bonds for a new fire / police station. A copy of the measure is attached and incorporated as "Exhibit 1."

SECTION 2: Election Conducted by Mail. The measure election shall be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, which is the next election. The precinct for the election shall be all of the territory within the corporate limits of the City of Gearhart. As required by ORS 254.465, the measure election will be conducted by mail by the Clatsop County Elections Department, according to the procedures adopted by the Oregon Secretary of State.

**SECTION 3: Notice of Ballot Title.** The City Elections Officer is directed to publish notice of receipt of the ballot title in the Daily Astorian in compliance with ORS 250.275(5).

SECTION 4: Ballot Title. Pursuant to ORS 250.285 and ORS 254.095, the Gearhart City Council directs the City Elections Officer to file a notice of the City Measure Election in substantially the form of Exhibit 2, with the Clatsop County Elections Office, unless, pursuant to a valid ballot title challenge, the Gearhart City Council certifies a different Notice of City Measure Election to be filed, such filing will occur no earlier than the eighth business day after the date on which Exhibit 2 is filed with the city elections officer and not later than September 2, 2021.

**SECTION 5: Explanatory Statement.** Pursuant to ORS 251.345, the Gearhart City Council directs the City Administrator to prepare a Measure Explanatory Statement for publication in the county voters' pamphlet; said statement shall be filed with the Clatsop County Elections Office at the same time the Notice of City Election is filed by the city elections officer.

**SECTION 6: Delegation.** The Gearhart City Council authorized City Administrator or a designee to act on behalf of the City of Gearhart and to take such further action as is necessary to carry out the intent and purposes herein in compliance with the applicable provisions of law.

**SECTION 7: Effect of "Yes" Vote.** If a majority of eligible voters vote "yes" on the measure, Resolution #964, will become operative, and the City will be authorized

to issue up to \$13,000,000 in General Obligation Bonds for a new fire station.
<b>SECTION 8:</b> This resolution is effective immediately upon passage.
DACCED AND ADOPTED by the City Council and signed by the City Administratory
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council and signed by the City Administrator
and myself in authentication of its passage this day of August, 2021.
Paulina Cockrum, Mayor
ATTEST:
Chad Sweet, City Administrator