

Resolution 22-02

Placing Proposed Renewal for St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Millage on Ballot

Whereas, the Board of Commissioners of the County of St. Clair recognizes the value provided by the St. Clair County Parks system to the residents; and

Whereas, the parks, trails recreation facilities and programs provided by millage funds add to the quality of life for St. Clair County residents and their guests by providing health, wellness and economic benefits to the community; and

Whereas, millage funds have allowed St. Clair County, as well as local units of government, to apply for and receive numerous Federal, State and private grants to invest in parks and recreation projects throughout the county; and

Whereas, twenty-five (25) percent of the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Millage funds collected each year have been distributed to the thirty-three (33) local units of government to invest in local parks and recreation projects; and

Whereas, Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 provides that the fifteen (15) mill limitation on property taxes therein imposed may be altered by a vote of the majority of the qualified electors of the County; and

Whereas, it is the desire of the Board of Commissioners to permit the electorate of the County to express its view on the question of continuation of funding for St. Clair County Parks and Recreation.

Now, Therefore, Be it resolved that:

The Clerk of the County of St. Clair is hereby directed to place on the ballot for the primary election of August 2, 2022, a proposition to renew the imposition of an addition not to exceed .4944 mill to be used primarily for acquiring, developing and maintaining parks and recreational facilities, and that the proposition shall be placed on the ballot in the following form:

Proposition _____

RENEWAL OF THE ST. CLAIR COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION MILLAGE

1. Shall St. Clair County levy a St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Millage of .4944 mills per year, constituting a renewal of a previously authorized millage of .4954 mills, for a period of six (6) years, 2022 through 2027, generating estimated tax revenues for the first year the millage is authorized and levied of approximately \$3,324,605 to be used and disbursed for the purpose of acquiring, developing and maintaining parks and recreational facilities in St. Clair County in accordance with the Parks and Recreation Plan for St. Clair County as adopted and amended?

2. Said election shall be held and conducted and the results of the said election shall be canvassed in accordance with the provisions of the State law pertaining to the submission of such questions to the electors entitled to vote thereon and that the County Clerk of St. Clair County and the Treasurer of St. Clair County shall do and perform all acts required by law for the calling and effecting of such election, and that the said Clerk shall within five (5) days of said election file with the County Treasurer for St. Clair County a certified copy of the official declaration of the results of said election.

Adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of St. Clair, on the 17th day of February, 2022.

Dated: February 17, 2022

Reviewed and Approved by:



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