

RESOLUTION 571

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AMADOR CITY EXPRESSING ITS SUPPORT IN CONCEPT FOR PLACEMENT OF A SELF-HELP SALES AND/OR USE TAX MEASURE FOR STREETS AND ROADS REPAIR, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT ON THE NOVEMBER, 2020 BALLOT

WHEREAS, local government is responsible for providing the basic services society thrives on including sewer, water, refuse collection, parks, planning & zoning, and streets and roads, among other services; and

WHEREAS, cities and counties that rely heavily on property tax revenues can experience dramatic decreases in revenues during economic downturns, and statewide ballot measures have limited local government's ability to raise needed revenues through taxes and fees; and

WHEREAS, the repair, maintenance and improvement of the City's streets and roads is a particularly daunting financial task, as road repair and maintenance projects are among the most expensive facing local government; and

WHEREAS, while revenues are generated through the statewide gas tax and Senate Bill 1 programs, the amount of said revenue distributed to the City is insufficient to repair and then maintain the City's streets and roads at an acceptable level of service, compared with the cost of needed work; and

WHEREAS, the resulting imbalance between revenues and needs is manifested as deferred maintenance, and City streets and roads will further deteriorate unless measures are taken to close the funding gap and generate additional revenues for streets and roads repair, maintenance and improvement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Amador City does hereby express its support in concept for placement of a self-help sales and/or use tax measure on the November, 2020 ballot with the understanding that such a tax would generate revenues intended to address the funding gap between revenues needed to restore and then maintain the City's streets and roads at an acceptable level of service, and revenues projected to be available for such purposes.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Amador City on the 20th day of February, 2020 by the following vote:

AYES: *Groth, Brogstad, Kel-Atunian, Mark, Robinson*

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

City of Amador City

David Groth, Mayor