

ORDINANCE NO. ____

AN ORDINANCE PLEDGING THE FUTURE USE OF ALL THE REVENUE WHICH MAY BE RECEIVED BY A ONE PERCENT RETAILERS'SALES TAX LEVIED IN THE CITY OF EL DORADO, SHOULD THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF SUCH CITY VOTE IN FAVOR THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF
EL DORADO, KANSAS:

Section 1: In the event the electors of El Dorado, Kansas, approve the continuation of the one percent retailers' sales tax, at an election to be held in association with the general election on November 6, 2018, the Governing Body hereby pledges to use the revenues in the following manner:

- a. The first \$1,350,000 from the tax shall be used annually for property tax reduction for the inhabitants of the city; and
- b. The next \$600,000 shall be allocated annually for Street Rehabilitation within the City of El Dorado; and
- c. The next \$100,000 from the tax shall be allocated annually to Economic Development Projects and Initiatives as provided herein; and
- d. The remaining balance of sales tax proceeds shall be allocated to municipal services and functions provided directly by the City, Capital Expenditures that directly support City operations and that are included in the current Capital Improvement Plan, or additional property tax reduction up to \$300,000.

The retailers' sales tax shall continue in full force and effect for a period of five years from and after the first day of October 2019.

Section 2: In the event the electors determine to extend the one percent sales tax for another five-year period, the existing Sales Tax Advisory Committee shall continue in existence, the membership to remain the same or be changed as provided by the Governing Body. The Committee shall continue to solicit input from the community for suggestions on appropriate uses for sales tax proceeds, and shall annually hold public

meetings and a public hearing concerning the proposed uses of the sales tax revenue in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 3: The following terms shall be defined for the purposes of this ordinance as provided herein:

“Capital Expenditure” shall mean an addition or structure that enhances the value of a property, a replacement or upgrade that extends the useful life of an asset, or the acquisition of vehicles or equipment.

“Capital Improvement Plan” shall mean the current Capital Improvement Plan of the City of El Dorado, Kansas, as adopted by the City Commission.

“Street Rehabilitation” shall mean maintaining and rehabilitating the existing geometrical alignment of improved city streets, which includes portions of curb and gutter removal and replacement, mill and overlays, pavement surface treatments, full depth pavement replacement, and pavement related storm drainage facilities.

“Economic Development Projects and Initiatives” shall mean efforts by the City that facilitate:

- a. Business attraction strategies that encourage firms from outside of the City to locate headquarters or other operations within the corporate limits of the City;
- b. Business creation strategies that focus on encouraging the formation of new companies that are locally based and will remain in the community and grow;
- c. Business retention strategies to keep existing businesses in the community and to encourage them to expand their operations within the community;
- d. Enterprise development strategies meant to assist entrepreneurs in support of the creation, growth, and survival of their businesses;
- e. Housing strategies that provide affordable options for the workforce; and
- f. Public infrastructure projects that have the potential to increase tax base.

Any such efforts shall provide a reasonable expectation of a return on investment to the City in the form of increased property taxes, sales taxes, transient guest taxes, or other municipal revenue. The City Commission shall place a higher priority on projects and initiatives that leverage public and/or private investment that seek to accomplish the aforementioned strategies and that create or retain livable wage jobs.

Section 4: This Ordinance shall be published once in the official city newspaper.

PASSED by the Governing Body of the City of El Dorado, Kansas, and

APPROVED by its Mayor, this ____ day of August 2018.

Vince Haines
Mayor

Attest:

Tabitha D. Sharp
City Clerk