

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2016-10-667

A RESOLUTION OF THE LYNN HAVEN CITY COMMISSION SUPPORTING THE BAY COUNTY ONE HALF-CENT LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE SALES SURTAX (SURTAX)

WHEREAS, the City of Lynn Haven approves of such community-wide strategic planning and of the accountable, transparent, and efficient public investments that sustainably grow our community, ensuring business expansion, preserving and improving our quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the City strives to be an excellent steward of taxpayer money while acknowledging the need for improvements to City infrastructure, specifically pavement rehabilitation and associated drainage issues; and

WHEREAS, the County half-cent local government infrastructure sales surtax supports the City's strategic plan in funding infrastructure needs by:

1. Providing approximately \$1.7M annually (based on current estimates from the Florida Department of Revenue) to the City to be used for pavement rehabilitation and associated drainage issues;
2. Collecting most of this funding from those that live outside of the City and Bay County;
3. Offering the City the opportunity to keep ad-valorem taxes at the same or lower rates;
4. Providing for a time limit of (10) years for collection; and
5. Providing accountability through a Citizen Oversight Committee.

WHEREAS, the surtax will create jobs while also meeting key infrastructure, environmental, and economic development needs with consistent, effective public oversight by a citizen's advisory committee to ensure that all dollars are spent in Lynn Haven.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, DUE TO THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS DESCRIBED HEREIN FOR LYNN HAVEN, THE CITY COMMISSION SUPPORTS THE INFRASTRUCTURE SALES SURTAX AND THE BROAD EXPANSION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE BETTERMENT OF OUR COMMUNITY.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of Lynn Haven, Florida in regular session on the 25th day of October, 2016.

Margo Deal Anderson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joel B. Schubert, City Manager