



# MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda  
Item No. IX.M.  
5/30/2017

## The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: James D. Couch, City Manager

Resolution No. I to be introduced, set for public hearing June 13, 2017 and final hearing June 20, 2017, authorizing the Mayor to issue a Proclamation calling a Special Election to be held within the City on Tuesday, September 12, 2017, for the purpose of submitting Ordinance No. 25,751, levying a 3/4% limited-purpose, limited-term excise tax for the purpose of providing City capital improvements, to a vote of the qualified electors of said City for their approval or disapproval; specifying the question to be voted upon at such Special Election; directing the publication of this Resolution and of the Special Election Proclamation to be issued by the Mayor for the purpose of giving notice of said Special Election as required by 11 O.S. §16-101.

### Background

The City Council met in a workshop on April 18, 2017 to discuss the 2017 General Obligation Bond program and a potential sales tax initiative. A proposal to use a portion of the sales tax initiative for certain capital improvements was discussed at the workshop and was generally supported by the Council.

The recommendation is to set a special election for Tuesday, September 12, 2017 for Ordinance No. 25,751, which establishes a 3/4% limited purpose sales tax for 27 months with an effective date for the tax levy of January 1, 2018. A separate resolution will declare the Council's intent for use of the revenue generated by the sales tax levy.

The attached Resolution Number I is required by 11 O.S. §§ 16-101 and 16-112 for a municipality to call and hold a special election on the issue of approval of a proposed tax.

If approved, Resolution Number I will authorize a special election on Ordinance No. 25,751 to be held on Tuesday, September 12, 2017, and it will further authorize the Mayor to issue a Special Election Proclamation. Additionally, Resolution Number I directs certain other actions to be taken that are legally necessary to hold the special election, including publication of Resolution Number I by the City Clerk on August 23 and 30, and September 6, 2017 .

The proposed Ballot for the special election on Ordinance No. 25,751 is attached to the Resolution as Exhibit "A."

Review

Finance Department

Recommendation: Resolution be introduced, set for public hearing June 13, 2017 and final hearing June 20, 2017.

Attachment