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## **RESOLUTION 20-07**



A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION AND PLACING A BALLOT REFERENDUM TO THE PEOPLE DURING THE GENERAL ELECTION IN FAULKNER COUNTY, ARKANSAS, ON THE QUESTION OF REALLOCATION OF A ONE HALF PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN FAULKNER COUNTY, ARKANSAS; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO.

- WHEREAS: The Quorum Court initially passed Ordinance No. 99-24 establishing a one-half of one percent (0.5%) sales and use tax in 1999, and this tax was approved by a majority of Faulkner County voters in a special election held in 2000; and
- WHEREAS: Such tax was passed pursuant to Title 26, Chapter 74 of the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated; and
- WHEREAS: The Quorum Court, after consideration of several factors, decided on August 18, 2020, that a revised allocation of the sales and use tax was appropriate at this time; and
- WHEREAS: The Quorum Court is charged with the responsibility to use tax revenues in the most efficient and responsible manner possible; and
- WHEREAS, The Quorum Court, in order to provide additional funds to sustain the Sheriff's Department, changed the indicated use of revenues derived from the sales and use tax passed in 1999 from 50/50 to 35% for the County Road Department and 60% for Criminal Justice purposes, 2.5% percent for personnel and operation expenses to be used for animal control, 2.5% to fund 9-1-1 operations.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF FAULKNER COUNTY, ARKANSAS, THAT:

- Article 1: That there be, and is hereby called, a special election to be held on November 3, 2020, at which election there shall be submitted to the electors of Faulkner County the question of the reallocation of the Sales and Use Tax passed in 2000.
- Article 2: That the question of reallocation of the 0.5% Sales and Use Tax passed in 2000 shall be placed on the ballot for the election in substantially the following form:

Vote on the measure by placing an "X" in the square opposite the measure either for or against:

## REALLOCATION OF THE COUNTY SALES AND USE TAX

In 2000, during a special election, a majority of the electors of Faulkner County approved a one-half percent (0.5%) sales and use tax within the county to be distributed evenly between the Faulkner County Sheriff's Office and the Faulkner County Road Department.

This referendum changes the indicated use of revenues derived from the county's one-half percent (0.5%) local sales and use tax, the net collections of which remaining after deduction of the administrative charges of the State of Arkansas and required rebates, to be distributed in the following manner:

Sixty percent (60%) to the Faulkner County Sheriff's Office for Criminal Justice purposes;

Thirty-five percent (35%) to the Faulkner County Road Department;

Two-and-a-half percent (2.5%) to fund personnel and operation expenses to be used for animal control within Faulkner County; and

Two-and-a-half percent (2.5%) to fund operations necessary to continue the 9-1-1 service in Faulkner County.

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- Article 3: That the election shall be held and conducted and the vote canvassed and the results declared under the law and in the manner now provided for county elections unless otherwise provided in Title 26, Chapter 74, Subchapter 4 of the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated (the "Authorizing Legislation") and only qualified voters of the County shall have the right to vote at the election.
- Article 4: A copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the Faulkner County Board of Election Commissioners so that the necessary election officials and supplies may be procured. The Commissioners and County Judge are authorized and requested to take prompt actions in the event the measure is approved by the electors.
- Article 5: That the results of the elections shall be proclaimed by the County Court, and this Proclamation shall be published one time in a newspaper having general circulation in the County.
- Article 6: That the County Judge and Quorum Court, for and on behalf of the County, be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary to call and hold the special election as herein provided and, if the reallocation of the Sales and Use Tax is approved by the electors, to cause the Sales and Use Tax to be collected in accordance with the Authorizing Legislation, and to perform all acts of whatever nature necessary in a timely fashion to carry out the authority conferred by this Ordinance.

Article 7: That all ordinances and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF THE COUNTY OF FAULKNER, STATE OF ARKANSAS, THAT THIS BODY CALLS A SPECIAL-ELECTION FOR THE ELECTORS OF FAULKNER COUNTY TO APPROVE THE REALLOCATION OF THE FAULKNER COUNTY SALES AND USE TAX.

Passed by the Quorum Court on August 18, 2020.

Attest:

Margaret Darter

Faulkner County Secretariat Faulkner County, Arkansas

Dated: August 19, 2020

Affirm:

James Baker

Faulkner County Judge Faulkner County, Arkansas

Dated: August 19, 2020.

## **CERTIFICATE**

The undersigned, County Clerk of Faulkner County, Arkansas, hereby certifies that
the foregoing pages are a true and perfect copy of Resolution No, passed at a regular
session of the Quorum Court of Faulkner County, Arkansas, held at the regular meeting
place of the Quorum Court at o'clock p.m. on the day of August, 2020, and that
the Resolution is of record in Resolution Record Book No, Page, now in my possession.
GIVEN under my hand and seal this day of August, 2020.
County Clerk