



CITY COUNCIL ACTION ITEM

Date: November 19, 2009
 TO: Mayor and City Council
 FROM: John Szerlag, City Manager
 Lori Grigg Bluhm, City Attorney
 Tonni L. Bartholomew, City Clerk
 SUBJECT: February 23, 2010 Special Election Proposed Millage Question

Background:

City Council requested City Administration to draft a proposed ballot question for recommendation to Council. Taking into consideration Council's concerns voiced at City Council Meetings, City Administration drafted the following proposed ballot question, which includes a 5-year time limitation and clarifies that it is for general operating purposes, including but not limited to: police, fire, and quality of life purposes.

Outside legal counsel reviewed the proposal and made slight modifications to the proposal which are contained in the submittal.

A preamble has been included with the millage question to clarify that Council will have the authority to levy an amount up to the 1.9 mills with the successful passage of the question.

Suggested Resolution

Resolution #2009-11-

Moved by

Seconded by

RESOLVED, That Troy City Council hereby **APPROVES** as to form the following proposed Millage Question language for the Special Election scheduled by the City Council, Resolution #2009-11-328, for Tuesday, February 23, 2010:

CITY OF TROY GENERAL OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL

THE CITY COUNCIL WOULD BE AUTHORIZED TO LEVY UP TO 1.9 MILLS WITH THE SUCCESSFUL PASSAGE OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTION:

Shall the City of Troy levy a new additional millage of up to 1.9 mills against all taxable property for a five-year period of time, 2010 through 2014, for general operating purposes, including but not limited to, police, fire, and quality of life purposes? 1.9 mills are equal to \$1.90 on each \$1,000.00 of taxable value. If approved, the additional millage levied will raise approximately \$9,129,000.00 the first year it is levied.

Yes:

No:

Yes:

No: