

CITY OF PETERSBURG

November 5, 2024 Election Proposition 1 & 2 Q&A

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Proposition 1 Ballot Wording: The adoption of a local sales and use tax in the City of Petersburg at the rate of one-half (1/2) of one percent (1%) being 1/2 cent to provide revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets.

Proposition 1 Definition: Local Sales and Use Tax for Street Maintenance and Repair

Question 1: What is Proposition 1?

Answer: Proposition 1 proposes the adoption of a local sales and use tax in the City of Petersburg at the rate of 0.5% (one-half of one percent), or 1/2 cent. The revenue generated from this tax would be used for the maintenance and repair of municipal streets.

Question 2: How much is the proposed tax rate?

Answer: The proposed tax rate is 0.5%, or one-half of one percent. This equals half a cent for every dollar spent on taxable goods and services.

Question 3: What will the revenue from this tax be used for?

Answer: The revenue will be used exclusively for maintaining and repairing municipal streets in the City of Petersburg.

Question 4: What is the purpose of this proposition?

Answer: The local government will be able to secure a stable source of funding for the maintenance and repair of city streets. The existing funding sources may not be sufficient to cover the increasing costs of maintaining the city's infrastructure.

Question 5: Who will be affected by this tax?

Answer: All consumers who make taxable purchases within the City of Petersburg will be affected by the tax. This includes residents as well as visitors who shop in the city.

Question 6: Will this tax apply to all purchases?

Answer: This tax will apply to most goods and services that are already subject to sales and use tax. However, certain items may be exempt, depending on state or local regulations.

Question 7: How long will this tax be in effect?

Answer: The tax will remain in effect for 4 years.