

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WATHENA, DONIPHAN COUNTY, KANSAS, IN SUPPORT OF A COUNTYWIDE RETAIL SALES TAX.

WHEREAS, on August 2, 1994, the qualified electors of Doniphan County, Kansas, approved the levying of a one percent (1%) countywide retail sales tax for a period not to exceed two (2) years; and,

WHEREAS, such tax was extended for two additional periods of five (5) years by the electors on August 6, 1996, and April 3, 2001; and,

WHEREAS, the funds received from said tax were utilized to finance various projects as set forth in Resolutions 94-12, 96-6 and 01-01, of the Board of County Commissioners of Doniphan County, Kansas; and,

WHEREAS, the funds received by the imposition of the one percent (1%) countywide retail sales tax assisted in not needing to levy additional ad valorem taxes on real and personal properties in Doniphan County, Kansas, to fund the above referenced projects; and,

WHEREAS, as authorized by existing state law the City of Wathena, received a portion of the revenue from the imposition of the one percent (1%) retail sales tax. Which funds were deposited in the City's general fund and were utilized in such manner as the City deemed most appropriate; and,

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2005, the Board of County Commissioners of Doniphan County, Kansas adopted Resolution No. 2005-03, wherein it provided it would submit to the qualified electors of Doniphan County, Kansas, on April 5, 2005, the proposition of continuing the levying of a one percent (1%) retail sales tax for a period of not to exceed five (5) years; and,

WHEREAS, it is proposed that the funds which would be received by the County from said retail sales tax would be utilized to: (1) to finance capital improvements deemed necessary by the Board of County Commissioners of Doniphan County, Kansas, including repairs and improvements to the Doniphan County Courthouse and repairs and improvements to the existing jail structure and/or new construction of a Doniphan County Jail facility; and (2) to purchase oil and chat and/or asphalt to make permanent improvements to county roads and repair existing hard surface roads; and (3) to assist with the funding of continued expenses incurred with updating and modifying the countywide 911 emergency system; and (4) pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 12-189(j) any funds generated from this sales tax which exceed the amount of revenue required to pay the costs of the special projects enumerated herein, shall be credited to the County General Fund to relieve the tax burden of the County; and,

WHEREAS, if said sales tax is approved, the City of Wathena, will continue to receive a portion of the tax raised and said funds will again be deposited in the City's general

fund and the same will be utilized in such manner as the City deems most appropriate; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Wathena finds that it would be in the best interest of the City if the electors of Doniphan County, Kansas, authorized and approved the continuance of the countywide retail sales tax.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WATHENA, DONIPHAN COUNTY, KANSAS, that said Governing Body fully supports the continued imposition of a countywide one percent (1%) retail sales tax in Doniphan County and encourages all qualified electors of the City to vote in favor of said retail sales tax.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect upon its passage by the Governing Body of the City of Wathena and approved by the Mayor.

Adopted this 7 day of March, 2005, by the Governing Body of the City of Wathena, Doniphan County, Kansas.

  
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Mayor

ATTESTED:

  
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City Clerk