

**KINGSBURG CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
February 28, 2018**

**Call to order and roll call:** At 6:05pm Mayor Roman called the Special Meeting to order.

**Council Members present:** Laura North, Staci Smith, Sherman Dix, Bruce Blayney, and Mayor Michelle Roman

**Staff Members present:** City Attorney Michael Noland and City Clerk Abigail Palsgaard

**Public Comments:** None.

**REGULAR CALENDAR**

**Special Sales Tax**

City Attorney Michael Noland reported as the result of the discussion from 2/21/2018 Regular City Council Meeting and the possibility of the ballot initiative not allowing a general tax being adopted by a city, we are here today to discuss a Public Safety Sales Tax Measure. At your direction Staff went back and changed the resolution and ordinance to remove the general sales tax information and replace it with the public safety sales tax information. Public safety language is highlighted in the ballot language for the 2/3rds vote. We will have to take this to Fresno County by March 9<sup>th</sup>. Council will have two considerations; if you want to proceed with the special tax or take our chances with the general sales tax.

Council discussed if this ordinance will comply with the ballot initiative if it becomes State law. City Attorney Noland said yes, there is language in the ordinance stating it will comply with all laws.

Council discussed raising the amount to one cent compared to 3/4s a cent to allow more funding for a School Resource Officer. Council discussed that at a 2/3s threshold citizens will either be for the tax or against the tax, and that they can legally say that this will only be used for Public Safety.

Council Member North made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-017- A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Kingsburg Calling For And Giving Notice Of The Holding Of A General Municipal Election To Be Held On June 5, 2018 To Present To Voters A Measure To Levy A Public Safety Transactions And Use Tax Of Three-Fourths Of One Percent, As Required By The Provisions Of The Laws Of The State Of California Relating To General Law Cities; Requesting Consolidation Thereof With The Statewide Election To Be Held On The Same Date; And Requesting That The Fresno County Board Of Supervisors Authorize The Fresno County Clerk To Render Specified Services To The City Of Kingsburg Relating To The Conduct Of The General Municipal Election, changing the ¾ cent tax to 1 cent sales tax, and updating the amount in the ballot language. The motion was seconded by Council Member Bruce Blayney and carried by unanimous voice vote.

Council Member Bruce Blayney made a motion to waive the first reading and introduce Urgency Ordinance No. 2018-002 Adding Section 3.14 of Title 3 of the Kingsburg Municipal Code Enacting a Public Safety Transactions and Use Tax To Be Administered By the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration Upon Adoption By The Voters and pass to a second reading with the following recital constituting reading of the title of the Ordinance:

“AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KINGSBURG, CALIFORNIA  
ENACTING A PUBLIC SAFETY TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX TO BE  
ADMINISTERED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TAX AND FEE  
ADMINISTRATION UPON ADOPTION BY THE VOTERS AND ADDING  
CHAPTER 3.14, TO TITLE 3 OF THE KINGSBURG MUNICIPAL CODE”

The motion was seconded by Council Member Staci Smith and carried by unanimous voice vote.

**Adjourn Kingsburg City Council Special Meeting:** Mayor Roman adjourned the Special Kingsburg City Council Meeting at 626pm.

**Submitted by:**

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**Abigail Palsgaard, City Clerk**