ORDINANCE NO. 248

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SEVEN POINTS, TEXAS ORDERING AN ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF SEVEN POINTS TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE APPLICATION OF THE CURRENT ONE HALF CENT MUNICIPAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SALES AND USE TAX/ ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATE WORDING ON THE BALLOT; PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING; PROVIDING FOR A POLLING PLACE; PROVIDING FOR ELECTION OFFICERS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; DESCRIBING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH PROCEEDS FROM THE TAX WILL BE USED; AND ESTABLISHING THE PROCEDURE TO GOVERN APPLICATION OF TAX REVENUES AS INTENDED AND DESCRIBED BY THIS ORDINANCE;

WHEREAS the City of Seven Points recognizes the need for a better quality of life for all residents, an improved local business climate, encouragement for private investment in the community, the creation of new job opportunities and increased incomes, and the encouragement of more efficient provision of governmental services; and

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Seven Points desires to give the voters of the City of Seven Points the opportunity to decide whether or not amendments should be made to the application of the one half cent economic development sales and use tax;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Seven Points, Texas;

SECTION 1.

That an election is ordered to be held on August 10, 1996 for the qualified voters of the City of Seven Points to consider amendments to the application of the current one half cent Municipal Economic Development sales and use tax.

SECTION 2.

That paper ballots shall be used for the election to be held in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 321, Subchapter B, Texas Tax Code, and to the extent not in conflict therewith, the Texas Election Code. The ballots shall be prepared in such a manner as will permit voters to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the propositions, with the wording of the ballot to be as follows:

PROPOSITION 1. Dissolution of the Seven Points Economic Development Corporation formed under Section 4A, Article 5109.6, V.T.C.S.

PROPOSITION 2. The Seven Points Economic Development Corporation, a public corporation, be formed under Section 4B, Article 5109.6, V.T.C.S. Funding for this Corporation shall be a sales and use tax for the promotion and development of the local businesses and economy at the rate of one half of one percent. This will not increase the sales tax for the City of Seven Points. The proceeds of this sales and use tax will be used for projects to include, but not limited to:



projects for the promotion of professional and amateur athletics and sports including stadiums, ball parks, auditoriums, projects related to entertainment, convention, tourist, and exhibition facilities, amphitheaters, concert halls, and public parks, park facilities and events, open space improvements, learning centers, municipal buildings, museums and related stores, restaurant,

concession, and automobile parking facilities, related area transportation facilities, and related roads, streets, and water and sewer facilities, recycling facilities and projects to promote new or expanded business enterprises including public safety facilities, streets and roads, drainage, and related improvements, demolition of existing structures, and general improvements that are municipally owned, as well as any other improvements or facilities that are related to any of the above projects and any other project that the board determines will promote new or expanded business enterprises, and the maintenance and operations expenses for any of the above described projects.

SECTION 3.

That the City Council hereby appoints <u>Karon Flagg</u> as Presiding Judge and <u>Mae Olson</u> as Alternate Presiding Judge and the clerks for the election will be appointed by the Presiding Judge in a number not to exceed three (3) clerks;

SECTION 4

That the City Council hereby appoints the same Presiding Judge and Alternate Presiding Judge as Early Voting Ballot Board, for the purpose of canvassing early ballots;

ECTION 5

That the City Council hereby appoints <u>Terry Abbott</u> as Early Voting Clerk and <u>Amy Arnold</u> as Deputy Early Voting Clerk. The early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each workday at City Hall, Hwy. 334 at Wood Street, Seven Points, Texas, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., beginning on July 22, 1996 and continuing through August 6, 1996.

SECTION 6.

That there shall be one election precinct for the election, the boundary of which shall be the official boundary of the City of Seven Points. There shall be one polling place for the entire city, which polling place shall be the Seven Points City Hall, located at Hwy. 334 at Wood Street, Seven Points, Texas. The election shall be held and conducted in the manner provided by law governing such elections. The official ballot, together with such other election materials as are required by the Texas Election Code, shall be printed in both English and Spanish languages and shall contain such provisions, markings and language as may be required by law.

SECTION 7.

If approved by the voters of the City of Seven Points, revenues from the Economic Development Sales and Use Tax shall be used only for the purposes described on the official ballot, and as described in Section 2. above.

SECTION 8.

If an Economic Development Sales Tax is approved by the voters of the City of Seven Points, an Industrial evelopment Corporation will be formed according to the guidelines established by the Development provide the purpose of administering revenues as intended and described by this ordinance.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 18TH DAY OF JUNE, 1996.

Marian Hill, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Terry Abbott, CITY SECRETARY



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