

Franklin County
Board of Commissioners
Agenda Summary Report

DATE SUBMITTED: 9/3/19	PRESENTED BY: Kyle Sullivan, Administrator, Benton/Franklin Department of Human Services
ITEM: (Select One) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent Agenda <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To Be Brought Before the Board. Suggested Date: <u>9/17/19</u> Time needed: _____ minutes	
SUBJECT / ISSUE: Resolution of intent for SHB 1406, the affordable housing sales tax credit.	
FISCAL IMPACT: There is not impact on the current expense budget.	
ACTION(S) REQUESTED: To approve signing a Resolution of its intent to adopt legislation to authorize the maximum capacity of the sales and use tax authorized by SHB 1406 within one year of the effective date of SHB 1406, or by July 28, 2020.	
BACKGROUND: In the 2019 Regular Session, the Washington State Legislature approved, and the Governor signed, Substitute House Bill 1406 (Chapter 338, Laws of 2019) ("SHB 1406"); and SHB 1406 authorizes the governing body of a city or county to impose a local sales and use tax for the acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of affordable housing or facilities providing supportive housing, and for the operations and maintenance costs of affordable or supportive housing. Franklin County has a population less than 400,000 which makes rental assistance another eligible expense. The tax is credited against state sales taxes collected within Franklin County, and therefore, will not result in a higher sales and use taxes within Franklin County, and will represent an additional source of funding to address housing needs in Franklin County.	
COORDINATION: Kyle Sullivan, Administrator Benton/Franklin Department of Human Services	
RECOMMENDATION: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign the resolution. • Approve the proposed Resolution by signing all the copies where indicated. 	
HANDLING / ROUTING: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Franklin County Commissioners' Office- Karin Milham, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners 2. Benton/Franklin Department of Human Services- Deena Horton, Administrative Assistant 	
ATTACHMENTS: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Resolution (2) 	

I certify the above information is accurate and complete.



Kyle Sullivan, Administrator
Benton & Franklin Counties
Department of Human Services

RESOLUTION

FRANKLIN COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. _____

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY,
WASHINGTON;**

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RE: A RESOLUTION OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DECLARING THE INTENT OF THE BOARD OF FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ADOPT LEGISLATION TO AUTHORIZE A SALES AND USE TAX FOR AFFORDABLE AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1406 (CHAPTER 338, LAWS OF 2019), AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, in the 2019 Regular Session, the Washington State Legislature approved, and the Governor signed, Substitute House Bill 1406 (Chapter 338, Laws of 2019) (“SHB 1406”); and

WHEREAS, SHB 1406 authorizes the governing body of a city or county to impose a local sales and use tax for the acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of affordable housing or facilities providing supportive housing, and for the operations and maintenance costs of affordable or supportive housing. Franklin County has a population less than 400,000, which makes rental assistance another eligible expense.

WHEREAS, the tax is credited against state sales taxes collected within the Franklin County and, therefore, will not result in higher sales and use taxes within Franklin County. and will represent an additional source of funding to address housing needs in Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, the tax must be used to assist persons whose income is at or below sixty percent of the Franklin County median income; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County has a lack of affordable housing and has determined that imposing the sales and use tax to address this need will benefit its citizens; and

WHEREAS, in order for a county to impose the tax, within six months of the effective date of SHB 1406, or January 28, 2020, the governing body must adopt a resolution of intent to authorize the maximum capacity of the tax, and within twelve months of the effective date of SHB 1406, or July 28, 2020, must adopt legislation to authorize the maximum capacity of the tax; and

WHEREAS, this resolution constitutes the resolution of intent required by SHB 1406; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners now desires to declare its intent to impose a local sales and use tax as authorized by SHB 1406 as set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF

COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF FRANKLIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Resolution of Intent. The Franklin County Board of Commissioners declares its intent to adopt legislation to authorize the maximum capacity of the sales and use tax authorized by SHB 1406 within one year of the effective date of SHB 1406, or by July 28, 2020.

Section 2. Further Authority; Ratification. All County officials, their agents, and representatives are hereby authorized and directed to undertake all action necessary or desirable from time to time to carry out the terms of, and complete the actions contemplated by, this resolution. All acts taken pursuant to the authority of this resolution but prior to its effective date are hereby ratified.

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

Dated this day of , 2019

Chair

Chair Pro Tem

Member
Constituting the Board of County Commissioners,
Franklin County, Washington

Attest:

Clerk of the Board