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GENERAL ELECTION: NOVEMBER 2, 2021

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Between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, Kaysville City residents may vote in person or return a ballot at the following polling location:
Kaysville Library, 215 North Fairfield Road in Kaysville.

Polling locations, early voting polling places, and each Election Day voting center (including any changes to the location of a polling place and any additional polling places) can be found at davisvotes.com or kaysvillecity.com. Questions regarding polling locations should be directed to 801-451-3508.

On November 2, 2021, Kaysville City voters will have the opportunity to vote on an opinion question entitled Proposition #8, which asks whether or not the city should impose a sales and use tax for Recreation, Arts, Museum and Parks (RAMP tax). This voter information pamphlet has been prepared to help you better understand the issue. It contains arguments for and against the proposition which were submitted by residents of the city, along with the official text and initial fiscal impact statement. Please take the opportunity to study this pamphlet so you can make an informed decision.

PROPOSITION #8 VOTER INFORMATION PAMPHLET ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST

Kaysville City Proposition #8, RAMP Tax, will be included on the Municipal General Election ballot and will ask for a yes (for) or no (against) vote.

Proposition #8:

Shall the City of Kaysville, Utah, be authorized to impose one-tenth of one percent (0.1%) sales and use tax for funding recreational, arts, museum, and parks improvements, facilities, and organizations for the City of Kaysville?

RAMP Fiscal Impact Statement:

The City estimates the fiscal impact will increase revenues by approximately \$400,000 annually.

The revenue will be offset by expenses of the same amount for approved RAMP projects and programs.

Following are arguments for and against Proposition #8, RAMP Tax. Arguments are opinions of the authors (sponsors).

The proposition is available for public review at kaysvillecity.com.

ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION #8

NO ARGUMENT WAS SUBMITTED AGAINST PROPOSITION #8, RAMP TAX

ARGUMENT FOR PROPOSITION #8

ARGUMENT FOR A "YES" VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE RAMP TAX

The Kaysville City Recreation, Arts, Museum and Parks ("RAMP") initiative is a way for residents to support the enrichment of our community. This small sales tax will provide funding for projects and organizations not otherwise possible. Residents and visitors who support Kaysville businesses with their discretionary spending purchases (such as boats, RVs, or entertainment centers) will generate funds that are funneled directly back into our community.

This investment will have a substantial, long-lasting benefit to our community. It is estimated that the RAMP initiative will generate over \$4 million dollars within its 10-year term. The RAMP sales tax of 1 cent on every \$10 spent is not charged for groceries, gas, utilities, or other essential services. This tax will not increase and will need approval from the residents to be renewed at the end of the term.

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RAMP TAX FAQs PROPOSITION #8

What is the RAMP Tax?

RAMP stands for Recreation, Arts, Museum & Parks. The RAMP Tax is a 1/10th of 1% sales tax. It does not apply to most food items, it is not a property tax, and it is not permanent. On a qualifying \$100 purchase, it would be 10 cents, and on a \$1,000 purchase, it would be \$1.

In the recent survey conducted by Y2 Analytics, 64% of Kaysville residents surveyed showed support for a RAMP Tax, 66% say they use our parks at least once a month, 75% expressed interest in a recreation center, and respondents gave Kaysville an average Quality of Life Rating of 84%.

What could the RAMP Tax funds be used for?

State law allows for the RAMP Tax to fund a broad range of cultural, recreation, recreational facilities and parks within Kaysville City. Projects eligible for RAMP Tax funding must fall under one of the categories (Recreation, Arts, Museum, Parks). Funds will always stay within Kaysville City. There are a variety of projects that could be funded by the RAMP Tax. For example, Kaysville City's recreation needs have continued to grow while space and availability have decreased.

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Currently, Kaysville residents imperceptibly pay this RAMP sales tax when we make purchases in Layton, Farmington, Bountiful and other neighboring cities that fund their local city programs and services (Farmington’s gymnasium, Centerville’s trail system, parks, CenterPoint Theater, and Layton’s swimming pool, outdoor amphitheater, and Heritage Museum, to name a few). Kaysville residents want more programs and services too. By implementing the same tax in our city, we are able to provide more of the programs and services our community wants with every approved purchase.

A VOTE “YES” WOULD MEAN:

- \$0.01 per \$10 spent on non-essential purchases will go to the RAMP fund.
- 100% of the RAMP funds are devoted to projects that benefit Kaysville City.
- Funding for new and existing facilities for recreation such as parks, playgrounds, athletic fields, gymnasiums, swimming pools, trail systems, dog parks.
- Funding for cultural organizations and events like museums, theaters, art centers, musical opportunities, and community events.
- Allocation of the funds will be based on community recommendation. The Kaysville RAMP Citizens Committee recommends, “Detailed transparency from the city council during the budgeting process regarding the use of RAMP funds.”

FACTS TO CONSIDER:

- Kaysville City has had to cut or reduce recreational programs every year for the past several years due to lack of space in the city. With continual increased interest in our programs, this trend will only grow.
- Our trail systems and parks could be upgraded to be safer and more accessible.
- Kaysville has a strong interest in expanding cultural enrichment through arts programs, music opportunities, and historic preservation.
- A RAMP Tax is a fair way of collecting needed revenues and allows visitors to share in funding Kaysville projects. Citizens of Kaysville already pay a RAMP tax in other cities--it’s time for our city to benefit as well.

We believe this initiative supports our collective interest in maintaining Kaysville’s familial appeal and will enrich our community. Please visit our citizens’ website KaysvilleForRAMP.com for additional information.

SPONSOR INFORMATION

Names of sponsors submitting the argument FOR Proposition #8 are:	
Ryan Ward	Michelle Barber

Who decides which projects to fund with the proceeds of the RAMP Tax?

To distribute funds, a citizens’ advisory committee will be formed. The committee would accept and review requests from any applicable nonprofit organization as well as any appropriate city department or organization. On an annual basis the committee will make a recommendation to the city council as to which projects to fund and the city council will make the final decision through the budget process.

How much funding is expected and how long will it be available?

Based on sales tax revenues provided by the Utah State Tax Commission, a RAMP tax in Kaysville City would generate approximately \$400,000 annually. After 10 years, by state law the RAMP Tax automatically sunsets and goes away unless voted on again by the people.

Who pays the RAMP Tax?

Anyone who makes a qualifying point-of-sale purchase in Kaysville City pays the tax, regardless of their place of residency.

What purchases would the RAMP Tax apply to?

The RAMP tax is a 1/10th of 1% sales tax that would be included on sales and uses within Kaysville City. It is not a property tax. It does not include sales for most food items or food ingredients and gas. Utah State Tax Commission has information regarding items that have a sales tax rate reduction, including certain grocery items (tax.utah.gov/sales/food-rate).

What other neighboring cities and counties have adopted a RAMP Tax?

Neighboring cities in Davis County that benefit from the RAP or RAMP Tax include Bountiful, West Bountiful, North Salt Lake, Woods Cross, Centerville, Farmington, Layton, Clearfield and Syracuse. Salt Lake and Weber Counties have also enacted a RAP Tax for all cities within their jurisdictions. Many additional counties and cities around the state also benefit from RAP funds.

PARTIAL SAMPLE BALLOT

PROPOSITION #8
 OFFICIAL BALLOT PROPOSITION FOR
 THE CITY OF
 KAYSVILLE, UTAH
 RAMP Tax Authorization Election
 November 2, 2021

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Yes
 No