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ORDINANCE NO. A-418

AN ORDINANCE CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY THE QUESTION OF VOTING FOR OR AGAINST A VOLUNTARY RECREATION ASSESSMENT; PRESCRIBING THE DISPOSITION OF THE PROCEEDS TO BE DERIVED FROM SAID ASSESSMENT; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS the City of Conway, Arkansas (called "City") operates a program of public recreation and playgrounds (herein sometimes called "Program"); and

WHEREAS the City Council has determined that there is an immediate need for additional funds to be used for the operation and maintenance of the Program; and

WHEREAS the additional funds needed for the operation and maintenance of the Program can be obtained by the collection of an assessment of one (1) mill on the assessed valuation of all or a substantial part of the real and personal property located within the City and assessed upon the tax books; and

WHEREAS the City Council does not desire to make payment of a recreation assessment mandatory, but believes that a substantial majority of the property owners in the City are willing and able to pay said one (1) mill on the assessed valuation of their real and personal property located in the City on a voluntary basis for the benefit of the City and particularly the Program; and

WHEREAS it is the opinion of the City Council that the sentiment of the electors of the City should be obtained in regard to the imposition of a voluntary procedure whereby property owners within the City would be encouraged to pay to the City, along with regular city taxes, an assessment equal to one (1) mill on the assessed valuation of the property owner's real

and personal property located within the City on a completely voluntary basis ;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT **ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Conway, Arkansas:

Section 1. That a special election be, and the same is hereby, called to be held in the City on the _____ day of _____, 1964, at which there shall be submitted to the electors of the City the question of levying a voluntary assessment of one (1) mill upon the assessed valuation of all real and personal property within the City.

Section 2. That the question shall be placed on the ballot for the special election in substantially the following form:

Vote on measure by placing an "X" in the square either For or Against:

For a voluntary assessment in the amount of One (1) mill on the assessed valuation of all real and personal property located within the City of Conway for the purpose of providing additional funds for the operation and maintenance of the program of public recreation and playgrounds of the City of Conway, Arkansas

Against a voluntary assessment in the amount of One (1) mill on the assessed valuation of all real and personal property located within the City of Conway for the purpose of providing additional funds for the operation and maintenance of the program of public recreation and playgrounds of the City of Conway, Arkansas



It is proposed to levy a voluntary assessment in the amount of One (1) mill on the assessed valuation of all real and personal property located within the City of Conway, Arkansas, for the purpose of providing additional funds for the operation and maintenance of the program of public recreation and playgrounds of the City. If the proposal is approved, a reminder of this voluntary assessment will be sent to each property owner within the City together with the regular property tax statements. Each property owner, upon receipt of the reminder, may pay all, a part of, or none of the voluntary assessment as he sees fit.

Section 3. That the election shall be held and conducted and the vote canvassed and the results declared under the law and in the manner now provided for municipal elections, **so** far as the same is applicable, and the Mayor of the City is hereby authorized and directed to give notice of such election by an advertisement published in a newspaper published in and having a bona fide circulation in the City, the said publication **to** be not less than twenty (20) days prior to the date of the election, and only qualified voters of the City shall have the right to vote at said election on said question.

Section 4. That the results of said election shall be proclaimed by the Mayor, and his proclamation shall be published one time in a newspaper published in the City and having a bona fide circulation therein.

Section 5. That a copy of this ordinance shall be given to the Faulkner County Board of Election Commissioners **so** that the necessary election officials and supplies may be provided.

Section 6. That if the proposal is approved by a majority of the electors voting in said special election, the City Council will take the necessary steps to cause the Collector of Faulkner County to send to each property owner within the City, along with regular property tax statements a reminder of the voluntary one (1) mill assessment for recreation purposes.

Section 7. That the payment of the voluntary one mill assessment provided for herein shall be completely voluntary on the part of each taxpayer.

Section 8. That all proceeds derived from said voluntary assessment shall be used solely and exclusively for operation and maintenance of the public recreation and playground program of the City.

Section 9. That all ordinances and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 10. It is hereby ascertained and declared that there is an immediate and urgent need for additional funds to be used for operation and maintenance of the public recreation and playground program of the City of Conway, Arkansas, in order to promote and protect the health, safety and welfare of the City and its inhabitants, that said additional funds can be obtained only by the payment of voluntary assessments by taxpayers within the City and that no taxpayer should be requested to pay such voluntary assessment unless the idea of the voluntary assessment is approved by a majority of the electors voting on the question in said special election. It is, therefore, declared that an emergency exists and this ordinance being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in force and take effect immediately and after its passage,

PASSED: September 22, 1964.

APPROVED :

ATTEST:

Bice Longford
City Clerk

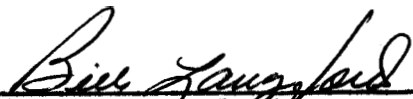
Walter D. Dumas
Mayor

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C E R T I F I C A T E

The undersigned, City Clerk of Conway, Arkansas, hereby certifies that the foregoing pages are a true and perfect copy of Ordinance No. A-418 passed at a Regular session of the City Council of Conway, Arkansas, held at the regular meeting place of the City Council at 7:00 P.m., on the 22 day of September, 1964, and that the ordinance is of record in Ordinance Record Book 6, page 520, now in my possession.

GIVEN under my hand and seal this 22 day of September, 1964.


City Clerk

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