City of Oak Harbor’s Oak Harbor Transportation Benefit District
“Proposition No. 1” Results

Sales Tax Increase Notice

The City of Oak Harbor’s Oak Harbor Transportation Benefit District No. 1 (the District) added “Proposition No. 1” (via Resolution 19-16) to the 2019 November General Election Ballot to impose a sales and use tax of two-tenths of one percent (0.2%) pursuant to RCW 36.73.040(3)(a), RCW 36.73.065 and RCW 82.14.0455. The purpose of the tax is to supply funding for the Transportation Benefit District (TBD) Projects. The TBD Projects consist of the transportation improvement projects described in the City's Six-year Capital Improvements Plan (2019-2024, or as hereafter amended) and the City’s Streetsaver Pavement Management System Plan (2018, or as hereafter updated).

Pursuant to RCW 36.73.065(1), the District’s “Proposition No. 1” to increase the sales and use tax in accordance with RCW 82.14.0455 may be imposed by a majority approval of voters in a General Election. The election results show that 55.62% of the citizens voted in favor of “Proposition No. 1” and 44.38% voted against it. “Proposition No. 1” passed by a majority vote. Click here to view the certified election results prepared by the Island County Canvassing Board: Certified Election Results for the 2019 November General Election.

Beginning on April 1, 2020, the City of Oak Harbor’s local sales tax rate will increase from 8.7% to 8.9% for a period of 10 years. Note that RCW 82.14.055 restricts when local sales and use taxes may go into effect.

Questions? Please contact the Finance Department at 360-279-4505.