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Crime Control and Prevention District Referendum Adding New Police Personnel and Equipment

In May 2007, 80 percent of voters approved the creation of the Grand Prairie Crime Control and Prevention District ¼ cent sales tax to build the public safety building. In 2012, 86 percent of voters approved extending the Crime Control and Prevention District ¼ cent sales tax for 10 years.

The amount of money the city collects from the Crime Control and Prevention District sales tax is more than the debt payments on the Public Safety Building.

Nov. 5, 2013 Ballot:

On behalf of the Grand Prairie City Council, the Grand Prairie Crime Control and Prevention District Board is asking voters whether or not to approve using excess Crime Control and Prevention District sales tax collections to hire more police officers, and pay for their salaries, benefits and equipment.

What you'll see on the ballot:

Shall the city of Grand Prairie, Texas Crime Control and Prevention District be authorized to use existing sales tax revenues to hire and equip additional police officers.

What that means:

Voters will vote FOR or AGAINST using the ¼ cent sales tax for the Crime Control and Prevention District to hire additional police officers and purchase equipment for those officers, in addition to the current purpose of paying off the Public Safety Building.

Facts:

- **If approved, this will not increase the city of Grand Prairie's sales tax.** It is a continuation of an existing sales tax.
- If approved, the city will continue paying off the debt on the Public Safety Building, in addition to hiring and equipping new police officers.
- Non-residents who shop in Grand Prairie and pay sales tax will help pay for the Public Safety Building, as well as salary, benefits and equipment for new police officers.
- The city of Grand Prairie's population has increased by more than 40,000 residents since 2003, thus increasing the need for police services.

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Referéndum del Impuesto Sobre Las Ventas del Distrito de Control y Prevención del Crimen para Añadir Nuevo Personal y Equipos Policiales

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En mayo del 2007, 80 por ciento de los votantes aprobaron la creación del impuesto sobre las ventas del Distrito de Control y Prevención del Crimen a una tasa de un cuarto (1/4) del uno por ciento (1%). En el 2012, 86 por ciento de los votantes aprobaron extender por 10 años el impuesto sobre las ventas del Distrito de Control y Prevención del Crimen de una tasa de un cuarto (1/4) de uno por ciento (1%).

El monto de dinero que la Ciudad recopila del impuesto sobre las ventas del Distrito de Control y Prevención del Crimen es más que el pago de deuda en el Edificio de Seguridad Publica.

Boleta Electoral del 5 de noviembre del 2013:

De parte del Consejo de la Ciudad de Grand Prairie, el Distrito del Control y Prevención del Crimen de la Ciudad de Grand Prairie le está pidiendo a los votantes aprobar o no el uso del exceso del

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Crime Control District

- In 2003, the Police Department employed 201 police officers, which translated into 1.4 officers per 1,000 population. Currently, the department employs 236 officers, which translates to 1.3 officers per 1,000. By adding officers through excess Crime Tax, the police department can increase the ratio to 1.5 officers per 1,000 population which will enhance levels of police service.
- If approved, the city could use the Crime Control and Prevention District Sales tax to pay for additional police officers thus allowing the city's general fund to be used for other city departments, such as new fire personnel.

What happens if the proposition fails?

If this referendum is not approved, the city would either not add new police officers and equipment, eliminate other services to add new police officers and equipment over the next five years, or raise property taxes 3-6 cents per $100 of taxable value to add police officers and equipment.

Statement of Commitment

When the Public Safety Building is paid off in 8 ½ years, the ¼ cent sales tax can be retired, or the city council may ask voters to consider renewing the Crime Tax for police personnel and equipment, or may ask voters to consider using the sales tax for other purposes.

Lois Weber Film Festival Nov. 8-9

Catch this great event sponsored by the Grand Prairie Public Library System, at the Uptown Theater, 120 E. Main St.

Friday, Nov. 8: 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 9: 3 p.m.

Visit gptx.org/library for more info., or call 972-237-5700.

Distrito de Control y Prevención del Crimen

impuesto sobre las ventas recaudados del Distrito de Control y Prevención del Crimen para contratar policías adicionales, pagar sus salarios, beneficios y equipo.

Lo Que Verá en la Boleta Electoral:

Deberá el Distrito de Control y Prevención del Crimen de la Ciudad de Grand Prairie ser autorizado utilizar los ingresos del impuesto sobre las ventas existentes para contratar y equipar oficiales de policía adicionales.

Lo Que Significa:

Los votantes votaran a favor o en contra el uso del impuesto sobre las ventas del Distrito de Control y Prevención del Crimen a una tasa de un cuarto (1/4) del uno por ciento (1%) para contratar policías adicionales y comprar equipo para esos policías, además del propósito actual de pagar por el Edificio de Seguridad Publica.

Los Hechos:

* **Si aprobado, esto no aumentara el impuesto sobre las ventas de la Cuidad de Grand Prairie.** Es continuación del impuesto sobre las ventas existentes.
* Si aprobado, la Ciudad continuara pagando la deuda del Edificio de Seguridad Publica, además de contratar y equipar nuevos policías.
* Los no residentes que hacen sus compras en Grand Prairie y que pagan el im puesto sobre las ventas ayudaran pagar por el Edificio de Seguridad Publica, así como los salarios, beneficios y equipo para los nuevos policías.
* La población de la Ciudad de Grand Prairie ha incrementado por más de 40,000 habitantes desde el año 2003, aumentando así la necesidad de los servi cios de policía. En el 2003, el Departamento de Policía emplea 201 agentes, que se traduce en 1.4 agentes de policía por 1,000 habitantes. Actualmente, el Departamento de Policía emplea 236 agentes, que se traduce en 1.3 agen tes de policía por 1,000 habitantes. Al añadir agentes de policía a través del uso del exceso del impuesto sobre las ventas, el Departamento de Policía puede aumentar la proporción de 1.5 agentes de policía por 1,000 habitantes, lo cual mejoraría los niéveles del servicio de la policía.
* Si aprobado, la Ciudad podría utilizar el impuesto sobre las ventas del Distrito de Control y Prevención del Crimen para pagar por los agentes de policía adicionales permitiendo así utilizar el fondo general de la Cuidad para otros departamentos de la Ciudad, como nuevo personal de bomberos.

¿Qué sucede si la proposición no es aprobada?

Si este referéndum no es aprobado, la Ciudad podría no añadir nuevos agentes de policía y equipo, eliminar otros servicios para añadir nuevos agentes de policía y equipo en los siguientes cinco años o aumentar los impuestos de propiedad tres a seis centavos por cien dólares de valor imponible para añadir agentes de policía y equipo.

Declaración de Compromiso

Cuando la deuda del Edificio de Seguridad Publica se termine de pagar en 8 ½ años, el impuesto sobre las ventas de una tasa de cuarto (1/4) del uno por ciento (1%) se retira, pero es probable que el Consejo de la Ciudad le pida a los residentes continuar con este impuesto en su totalidad o una porción. Esta decisión se haría en ese momento basado en las finanzas de la Ciudad.

Veterans Day Ceremony

Monday, Nov. 11 • 10 a.m.
Grand Prairie Veterans Memorial, 925 Conover Dr.
972-237-8100 or visit GrandFunGP.com

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GRAND PRAIRIE FIRE DEPT EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
AMBULANCE SUBSCRIPTION PROGRAM
1525 Arkansas Lane GRAND PRAIRIE, TX 75052
972-237-8395

The City of Grand Prairie, through the Emergency Medical Services provided by the Fire Department, is committed to providing quality, affordable **emergency** ambulance care as a service to residents of Grand Prairie. This subscription program is an ***optional*** plan that is available to all citizens, with the exception of Medicaid recipients, of our community.

Participants will pay **$60.00 per year** for **emergency** ground ambulance service. This fee must be paid through a one-time payment by check, cash, money order or accepted credit card.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. Residents of Grand Prairie, Texas
2. Coverage for head of household, spouse, and any unmarried dependent children under 25 years of age
3. Medicaid recipients cannot participate in this program
4. Authorization for the City of Grand Prairie to obtain entitled benefits from insurance carriers and Medicare is required.
5. **All information MUST be provided, including zip code, social security number and signature.**

BENEFITS:

1. No out-of pocket expenses for **emergency** ground ambulance use
2. Unlimited **emergency (only) transports** per enrolled member
3. Coverage for all eligible household members

TERMS OF AGREEMENT:

1. This subscription is non-refundable and non-transferable
2. Violations of the terms of the agreement or false or missing information on the subscription application may result in immediate cancellation of the subscription
3. The City of Grand Prairie has mutual aid agreements with other communities to exchange services in the event of critical emergencies. Should a mutual aid provider transport a subscriber, when the Grand Prairie Fire Department has requested mutual aid, the subscriber will be required to pay the part that exceeds the normal charge for a non-subscriber for a transport by that service provider.

THIS IS NOT AN INSURANCE POLICY

I request that payment of authorized Medicare or any other insurance benefits be made on my behalf to Grand Prairie Fire Department for any services provided to me by Grand Prairie Fire Department now or in the future. I agree to immediately remit to Grand Prairie Fire Department any payments that I receive directly from insurance or any source whatsoever for the services provided to me and I assign all rights to such payments to Grand Prairie Fire Department. I authorize Grand Prairie Fire Department to appeal payment denials or other adverse decisions on my behalf without further authorization. I authorize and direct any holder of medical information or documentation about me to release such information to Grand Prairie Fire Department and its billing agents, and/or the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and its carriers and agents, and/or any other payers or insurers as may be necessary to determine these or other benefits payable for any services provided to me by Grand Prairie Fire Department, now or in the future. A copy of this form is as valid as an original.

I hereby apply for membership with the Grand Prairie Emergency Medical Services Program. I understand that the enclosed annual fee will cover me, my spouse, and unmarried dependent children under 25 years of age who may live at this address. I understand that through my membership, Grand Prairie Fire Department will provide **EMERGENCY** ambulance service to hospitals within the service area. I also understand and give my permission for Grand Prairie Fire Department to bill my insurance carrier(s). This membership will cover the portion not reimbursed by my medical coverage for services rendered by Grand Prairie Fire Department. **I understand that Medicaid recipients may not participate in this program**. I understand that Grand Prairie Fire Department provides medically necessary ambulance transportation and that violations of the terms of this agreement may result in immediate cancellation of my membership or other penalty. I also understand that this membership is optional, non-refundable and non-transferable.

AMBULANCE SUBSCRIPTION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD:

LAST NAME _____ FIRST NAME _____ M. I . ____ ____M ____F DATE OF BIRTH _____

STREET ADDRESS _____ ZIP CODE _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

INSURANCE INFORMATION:

Medicare #: _____ **Medicaid #**_____ **SSN:** _____

INSURANCE COMPANY NAME _____ POLICY/ID/SUBSCRIBER/MEMBER # _____ GROUP # _____

CLAIMS ADDRESS _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

GROUP NAME _____ POLICY HOLDER NAME _____

DEPENDENTS:

LAST NAME _____ FIRST NAME _____ M I ____ ____M ____F DATE OF BIRTH _____

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APPLICATION SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:**_____

Check and money orders should be made payable to: **Grand Prairie Fire Department** and sent to**: 1525 Arkansas Lane**
Grand Prairie, TX 75052

CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS: ____ VISA ____ MASTERCARD ____ DISCOVER

CARD # _____ EXPIRATION DATE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE_____