

ORDINANCE NO. 2811

AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 2.39 OF THE MOSES LAKE MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED "LODGING TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE" AND REPLACING AND REPEALING RESOLUTION 2065

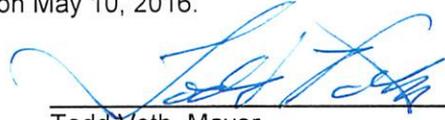
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOSES LAKE, WASHINGTON ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 2.39 of the Moses Lake Municipal Code entitled "Lodging Tax Advisory Committee" is created as follows:

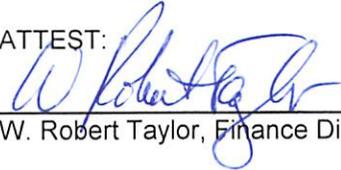
- 2.39.010 Board Created - Eligibility: There is created a Lodging Tax Advisory Committee, consisting of five (5) members, who shall be appointed by the City Council. One (1) member shall be an elected official of the City who shall serve as chair, two (2) members shall be representatives of businesses required to collect the lodging tax, and two (2) members shall be persons involved in activities authorized to be funded by revenue received from the lodging tax.
- 2.39.020 Membership - Appointment: Members shall be appointed for a one (1) year term. The City Council will review the membership on an annual basis and make changes as appropriate. Upon vacancy by death, resignation, or other cause, the Mayor, with confirmation by the City Council, shall fill the vacancy by appointing a member to the unexpired portion of the term.
- 2.39.030 Removal: A member may be removed during his or her term upon a recommendation from the Mayor and the affirmative majority vote of the City Council sitting in quorum. If a member is unexcused from two (2) meetings per year, excuses being permitted for personal or family illness and vacations, cause exists for removal. The member wishing to be excused from a meeting must notify the secretary to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee prior to the meeting. The absence shall be announced and the reasons therefor at the time roll call is taken at the meeting and shall be recorded as excused or unexcused in the minutes of the meeting, if minutes are taken.
- 2.39.040 Quorum: A majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Any action taken by the majority of those present at any regular or special meeting of the Committee is deemed and taken as the action of the Committee.
- 2.39.050 Meetings: The Lodging Tax Advisory Committee shall devote such time as may be necessary to properly discharge all duties devolving upon them. The Commission members shall serve without compensation. The Committee shall meet as often as is necessary to conduct business but shall hold a meeting at least once a year.
- 2.39.060 Duties of Council to Committee: The Committee is entrusted with the responsibilities of advising and making recommendations concerning the collection and use of lodging taxes. The City shall submit any proposal that will impose a tax under Chapter 67.28, RCW. The City Council shall submit to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee, for its review and comment, proposals on:
- A. The imposition of a tax under SSB 5867.
 - B. Any increase in the rate of such a tax.
 - C. Repeal of an exemption from such a tax.
 - D. A change in the use of the revenue received from such a tax.
- 2.39.070 Duties of Committee: The Committee shall provide a report and analysis to the City Council on the extent to which any proposal will accommodate activities for tourists or increase tourism, and the extent to which any proposal will affect the long-range stability of the special fund created for the lodging tax revenues.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after its passage and publication of its summary as provided by law.

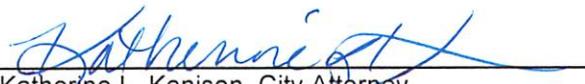
Adopted by the City Council and signed by its Mayor on May 10, 2016.



Todd Voth, Mayor

ATTEST:


W. Robert Taylor, Finance Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Katherine L. Kenison, City Attorney