



**CITY OF MOSES LAKE
STAFF REPORT**

To: Transportation Benefit District Board
From: John Williams, City Manager
Date: February 28, 2017
Proceeding Type: Motion
Subject: Resolution – TBD Authorizing a Vehicle License Fee

Legislative History:

• First Presentation:	January 24, 2017
• Second Presentation:	February 28, 2017
• Action:	Motion

Background

A TBD Board has the authority to assess an annual vehicle fee up to \$20, which is collected at the time of vehicle renewal. The current average count of vehicles per the Department of Licensing subject to the fee is estimated at 16,852. Annual revenue is estimated at \$333,670. The Board approves the fee and there is no statutory “sunset”.

Fees will not be collected until 6 months after approval. The Department of Licensing administers and collects the fees. The effective date is estimated to be September 1, 2017.

Adoption of this resolution would provide a revenue source establishing the funds necessary to begin work as a TBD.

Attachments

A.	Resolution No. 2
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RESOLUTION NO. 2

A RESOLUTION OF THE MOSES LAKE TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT BOARD AUTHORIZING A VEHICLE LICENSE FEE

RECITALS:

1. The City of Moses Lake established a transportation benefit district as authorized by the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 35.21.225 and subject to the provisions of RCW 36.73 through the adoption of Ordinance No. 2847 on December 27, 2016 for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, providing, and funding transportation improvements within the District that are consistent with any existing state, regional, and local transportation plans and necessitated by existing or reasonably foreseeable congestion levels.
2. The City Council of the City of Moses Lake found it to be in the best interests of the City to establish a City wide transportation benefit district for the preservation and maintenance of the City's transportation infrastructure.
3. The necessary transportation improvements projects are identified in the City of Moses Lake's Six Year Transportation Improvements Program or the City's Pavement Management Program.
4. RCW 36.73.056 authorizes a transportation benefit district to impose, by majority vote of the District's governing board, up to twenty dollar (\$20) vehicle fee authorized in RCW 82.80.140.
5. In accordance with RCW 82.80.140, the new vehicle license fee may not be collected until six (6) months after approval of this action by the governing board.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY OF MOSES LAKE TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

RECITALS:

1. An annual vehicle license fee in the amount of twenty dollars (\$20) is hereby established; consistent with RCW 36.73.065(4)(a)(i), to be collected by the Washington Department of Licensing on qualifying vehicles as set forth in RCW 82.80.140 and RCW chapters 36.73 and 46.16.
2. The vehicle license fee may not be collected until six months after approval of the fee.
3. The revenues received from the twenty dollar (\$20) vehicle license fee shall only be expended on transportation projects approved by the Board of the District.
4. Material Change Policy: The governing board may alter, make substitutions to, and amend the projects as it determines in the best interests of the District and in accordance with the Material Change policy adopted by the Board and the notice, hearing, and other procedures described in RCW Chapter 36.73, including and without limitation RCW 36.73.052(2)(b) as amended.
5. Considerations regarding transportation improvements: The governing board finds that the transportation improvements which will reduce risk of transportation facility failure and improve safety, improve travel time, improve air quality, increase daily and peak-period trip capacity, improve modal connectivity, improve freight mobility, provide cost-effective investment, provide for optimal performance of the transportation system through time, and improve accessibility for, other benefits to, persons with special transportation needs are in the best interests of the City.

6. Corrections: The clerk of the City of Moses Lake's Transportation Benefit District is authorize to make necessary clerical corrections to this resolution, including but not limited to the corrections of scrivener's and clerical errors, references, numbering, section and subsection number and any references thereto, and to make corrections and revisions consistent with the requirements of the offices of the Grant County Auditor which do not change the substantive meaning of this resolution.
7. Severability: If a section, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause, or phrase.

Adopted by the Transportation Benefit District on February 28, 2017

ATTEST:

Ryann Leonard, Chair

W. Robert Taylor, Finance Director