

RESOLUTION 2021-R-155

A Resolution Calling a Special Election by the Electors of the City of Irondale on the question of an increase in Ad Valorem Taxes authorized to be levied in the City of Irondale, Alabama

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council (the “Council”) of the City of Irondale, Alabama (the “City”), as follows:

Section 1. Definitions. The following words and phrases used in this Resolution, and others evidently intended as the equivalent thereof, in the absence of a clear implication herein otherwise, shall be given the following respective meanings herein:

“Amendment No. 56” means that certain amendment to the Constitution that was proposed by Act No. 383, Page 598, enacted at the 1945 Regular Session of the Legislature of Alabama, codified as Section 216.04 of the Official Recompilation of the *Constitution of Alabama of 1901*.

“Constitution” means the *Constitution of Alabama of 1901*.

Section 2. Findings. The Council has ascertained and does hereby find and declare that:

(a) The City is presently authorized to and does levy and collect general ad valorem tax at a rate of 0.65% (6.5 mills) of the value of the property situated in the City as assessed each year.

(b) In accordance with Amendment 56, the Legislature of the State of Alabama authorized municipal corporations to levy and collect each year ad valorem tax at a maximum rate of 1.25% (12.5 mills) of assessed value, upon a vote of a majority of the qualified electors of such municipal corporation voting at an election called for that purpose.

(c) It is necessary and desirable and in the public interest that the Council call a special election for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the City the question of whether to authorize the levy of an additional rate of ad valorem taxation of 0.6% (6 mills) of assessed value each year for a period of time beginning on the 1st day of October, 2023 and that will sunset on the 30th day of September, 2029 (“Sunset Date”), which, if approved by a majority of the qualified electors of the City voting at such special election, will result in a maximum rate of ad valorem taxes of 1.25% of assessed value each year until the Sunset Date.

Section 3. Call for Special Election. A special election is hereby called to be held in the City on March 22, 2022 for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the City the question of whether authorize the levy of an additional rate of ad valorem taxation of 0.6% of assessed value each year for general municipal purposes beginning on the 1st day of October, 2023 until the Sunset Date.

Section 4. Notice of Election. The Mayor is hereby directed to give notice of the said election by publication in the *Birmingham News*, a newspaper published in the City, in the manner prescribed by law, which notice shall be in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF SPECIAL CITY ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, March 22, 2022, an election for the purpose of determining whether the City of Irondale, Alabama shall be authorized to levy an additional rate of ad valorem taxation of 0.6% of assessed value each year for general municipal purposes, pursuant to Amendment 56 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, from the 1st day of October, 2023 until the 30th day of September, 2029, at which time the tax will sunset and not be collected further.

The said election shall be held at the following regularly established voting place in said City between the legal hours for holding of elections:

<u>VOTING PLACE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
<i>Council Chambers</i>	City Hall	101 20 th Street South, Irondale, AL 35210
<i>Absentee Vote Tabulation Location</i>	City Clerk Office	101 20 th Street South, Irondale, AL 35210

Mayor, City of Irondale, Alabama

Section 5. Form of Ballot. The form of the official ballot to be used at the said election shall be substantially as follows:

OFFICIAL BALLOT
SPECIAL CITY ELECTION
CITY OF IRONDALE, ALABAMA
March 22, 2022

Shall the City of Irondale, Alabama, be authorized to levy an additional rate of ad valorem taxation of 0.6% of assessed value each year for general municipal purposes, pursuant to Amendment 56 of the *Constitution of Alabama of 1901* from the 1st day of October, 2023 until the 30th day of September, 2029, on which date the tax will sunset and not be collected further.

() FOR 0.6% additional rate of taxation from the 1st day of October, 2023 until the 30th day of September, 2029, on which date the additional rate of taxation will sunset and not be collected further.

() AGAINST 0.6% additional rate of taxation from the 1st day of October, 2023 until the 30th day of September, 2029, on which date the additional rate of taxation will sunset and not be collected further.

Section 6. Absentee Ballot. The form of the ballot for absentee voters shall be the same as the form for the official ballot provided for in the foregoing Section 5 except that the words "Official Ballot" at the top thereof shall be changed to "Official Absentee Ballot" and there shall appear at the end of the ballot for absentee voters affidavits substantially equivalent to the forms of affidavits prescribed by law for use on ballots for absentee voters.

Section 7. Qualified Voters. All persons who at the date of the said election shall be qualified electors of the City shall be eligible to vote at the said election.

Section 8. Resolution 2021-R-112 Rescinded. Resolution 2021-R-112 adopted by the City Council of the City of Irondale on October 6, 2021 is hereby rescinded.

ADOPTED & APPROVED: This 1st day of December, 2021.

David Spivey, City Council President

APPROVED:

James D. Stewart, Jr., Mayor

ATTESTED:

Leigh Ann Allison, Acting City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Leigh Ann Allison, Acting City Clerk of the City of Irondale, Alabama, hereby certify that the above to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Irondale at its regular meeting held on the 1st day of December, 2021, as the same appears in the minutes of record of said meeting.

Leigh Ann Allison, Acting City Clerk