# PARC TAX OPINION QUESTION (AS IT WILL APPEAR ON BALLOT)

### **OPINION QUESTION**

Lindon City sales and use tax for the purpose of financing cultural and recreational facilities and cultural organizations (known as Parks, Arts, Recreation and Culture Tax or "PARC" Tax).

Shall Lindon City, Utah, be authorized to impose a 0.1% (one-tenth of one percent or one cent of every ten dollars spent in Lindon) sales and use tax (PARC tax) for the purpose of financing cultural and recreational facilities and ongoing operations, and to finance ongoing operations of cultural organizations within Lindon City, and which tax would remain in place for a period of ten years?

To vote in favor of authorizing Lindon City to impose a PARC tax, select the box immediately adjacent to the word "FOR". To vote against authorizing Lindon City to impose a PARC tax, select the box immediately adjacent to the word "AGAINST".

FOR	
AGAINST	

### **POLLING PLACE:**

Lindon Community Center 25 N Main St Lindon, UT 84042



### **EARLY VOTING:**

Oct. 22-25, 1:00pm - 5:00pm Oct. 29, 3:00pm - 7:00pm Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 1:00pm-5:00pm

### **REGULAR VOTING:**

Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2013 7:00 am - 8:00 pm

### WHAT IS THE PARC TAX?

The proposed Parks, Arts, Recreation, and Culture (PARC) tax is a 1/10th of 1% (1¢ out of each \$10 spent) local sales and use tax for the purpose of enhancing recreational facilities and cultural arts in the community. A majority of Lindon's voters will need to vote in favor of the tax on the November 5, 2013 election in order for the tax to be approved. For more information, refer to the "Lindon PARC tax FAQ's" at <a href="https://www.lindoncity.org">www.lindoncity.org</a>.

### ARGUMENT FOR THE PARC TAX

The City estimates that up to 85% of sales taxes received within Lindon are paid by individuals and businesses from outside the City. The PARC tax will be a new revenue source where Lindon City can receive income primarily from non-property tax payers, with residents ultimately benefitting from new & improved recreational amenities, parks, trails, arts, and other recreation & cultural projects.

The PARC tax will provide funding to Parks, Arts, Recreation and Cultural projects that will otherwise not be funded or will have significantly delayed funding. PARC tax revenue may only be used for capital development and ongoing operations of Lindon City owned or operated recreational and cultural facilities, and for the ongoing operations of nonprofit cultural arts organizations within Lindon City.

The proposed sales tax increase is a low rate that likely goes unnoticed by most shoppers. If you've been shopping in Orem, Cedar Hills, Park City, Cedar City or anywhere in Salt Lake County, you have paid this tax and your money has been used to benefit their cultural arts and recreation facilities and programs.

### **ARGUMENT AGAINST THE PARC TAX**

No official argument against the PARC tax has been received by Lindon City.

### FISCAL IMPACT OF THE PARC TAX

If the PARC tax passes, the soonest it can go into effect will be April 1, 2014. The first full fiscal year of collecting PARC tax revenue will be July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015.

The imposition of the PARC tax will generate approximately \$100,000 in FY 2013-14 and \$430,000 annually for FY 2014-15 and beyond.

### Examples of Tax Impact of Proposed PARC Tax

Example Purchases	Costs of Purchases	Tax Dollar Amt @ 0.10%
Groceries	\$300.00	\$0.30
Retail Purchase	\$190.00	\$0.19
Car Purchase	\$23,750.00	\$23.75
Phone Bill	\$29.95	\$0.03
Dining Out	\$45.00	\$0.05
Gas for vehicle	\$48.50	\$0.05
Lodging	\$158.00	\$0.16

The Lindon City Finance Director estimates that approval of the tax would result in a total fiscal savings of \$430,000, which includes a PARC tax increase of \$430,000 and a \$0 increase/decrease in public debt.

PARC tax revenue may be used for parks, trails, community arts, historic & cultural programs, the community center, pool, and potential grant funding of non-profit cultural organizations with a heavy presence in Lindon. Final distribution of funds will be determined by the City Council.

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\*Please Note: Candidate names are listed per the 2012-2013 Master Ballot Position List (State Code 20A-6-305).

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