
PAYSON CITY

2016 VOTER INFORMATION PAMPHLET

NOVEMBER 8, 2016



At the Wednesday, August 3, 2016 City Council meeting, the City Council approved and passed Resolution No. 08-03-2016C allowing an opinion question to be presented to Payson City residents to vote on a possible citywide tax to fund cultural arts facilities and programs and recreational facilities in Payson City.

This proposal will appear on the Tuesday, November 8, 2016 ballot as shown to the right.

Election Day

The General Election will be on Tuesday, November 8, 2016 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Early Voting

Early voting begins 14 days before the date of the election (October 25 – November 4, weekdays only), and will take place at the Payson City Center at 439 West Utah Avenue. Early voting is also available at any polling location as shown on page 6 of this guide.

Voter Registration

Voter Registration is handled through Utah County. You can check your registration status at www.vote.utah.gov.

Voting Locations

Precincts, voting locations, and a precinct map is shown on pages 6-7 of this guide.

Voter ID Requirements

In order to vote in Utah, you need valid voter ID (either a form of ID that bears the name and photograph of the voter, or two forms of ID that bear the name of the voter and give evidence of current residence). For information, visit www.vote.utah.gov or see page 2.

Voting Questions or Concerns

If you have any questions concerning the election, please contact the Payson City Recorder's Office at 801-465-5205.

TITLE

PAYSON CITY PROPOSAL TO ENACT A SALES AND USE TAX FOR PARKS, ARTS, RECREATION AND CULTURE

PROPOSITION

Should the City Council of Payson City, Utah, enact a local sales and use tax of 1/10 of 1% (1 cent for every \$10.00 spent) to help fund recreational amenities and cultural arts facilities and organizations in Payson City, said tax to be levied for ten years?

Funding may be used to support non-profit organizations providing programs such as but not limited to:

- Live theater
- Choral groups
- Bands
- Festivals
- Youth arts/theater groups

Funding may be used for capital improvements of publically owned or operated amenities such as but not limited to:

- Parks
- Playing fields
- Trails
- Bike paths
- Performing arts center
- Museums
- Pool enclosure

() Yes

() No

TO VOTE, DON'T FORGET TO BRING PROPER IDENTIFICATION

To vote in Utah, valid voter identification is required. Valid Voter Identification is either one (1) form of ID that bears the name and photograph of the voter, or two (2) forms of ID that bear the name of the voter and provides evidence of the voter's residence.

One (1) form of identification may include:

- A currently valid Utah driver license;
- A currently valid identification card that is issued by the state or a branch, department, or agency of the United States;
- A currently valid Utah permit to carry a concealed weapon;
- A currently valid United States passport;
- A currently valid United States military identification card; or
- A valid tribal identification card, Bureau of Indian Affairs card, or tribal treaty card, whether or not the card includes a photograph of the voter.

-OR-

Two (2) forms of identification may include:

- A current utility bill or a legible copy thereof, dated within the 90 days before the election;
- A bank or other financial account statement, or a legible copy thereof;
- A certified birth certificate;
- A valid social security card;
- A check issued by the state or the federal government or a legible copy thereof;
- A paycheck from the voter's employer, or a legible copy thereof;
- A currently valid Utah hunting or fishing license;
- Certified naturalization documentation;
- A currently valid license issued by an authorized agency of the United States;
- A certified copy of court records showing the voter's adoption or name change;
- A valid Medicaid card, Medicare card, or Electronic Benefits Transfer Card;
- A currently valid identification card issued by a local government within the state, an employer for an employee, or a college, university, technical school, or professional school located within the state; or
- A current Utah vehicle registration.

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PARC PROGRAM

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: What is PARC?

A: PARC stands for “Parks, Arts, Recreation and Culture.” A Payson City PARC program/sales and usage tax proposal will be on the November 8, 2016 ballot.

Q: What does the PARC program do?

A: If passed, a portion of sales tax (one penny for every \$10 spent) would go to fund park improvements, city recreation, local arts programs, and cultural organizations.

Q: What types of programs could PARC support?

A: The intent of the PARC program is to generate additional funding for Payson biking and walking trails, live theater, choral groups, bands, festivals, parks, park improvements, recreational facilities, museums, youth arts programs, and more.

Q: Who pays for PARC?

A: The sales tax revenue will come from residents and non-residents who shop in Payson. It would raise the sales tax on non-food prepared purchases from 6.75% to 6.85%, similar to Orem, Provo, and American Fork. It will only cost an extra penny for every ten dollars spent.

Q: When would the PARC program start and end?

A: The PARC program sales usage tax isn’t currently in effect. Residents have an opportunity to either pass or reject the proposal with a “Yes” or “No” vote on Tuesday, November 8th. If passed, it will go into effect on January 1, 2017. The program lasts for ten years and can only continue if the citizens vote to extend the program.

Q: Who decided how to spend the money?

A: If passed, allocation of funds will be recommended by an independent committee of Payson citizens and approved by the City Council.

Q: Can this money be used by Payson City to put into its general fund?

A: No, the money is earmarked for Payson Parks, Arts, Recreation, and Culture projects or to give grants to non-profits arts, recreation, and culture programs in Payson.

For more information:

- Visit the Payson City web site: www.paysonutah.org

Here are some areas where this type of resource can be used.

Park upgrades including playgrounds, pavilions, and restrooms

- Rebuild pavilions at Memorial Park
- Spring Lake restrooms and other improvements
- General park improvements throughout the city
- Dog parks

Recreation facilities upgrades or expansions

- Sports fields upgrades and lighting improvements
- Additional soccer fields
- Improve tennis courts at Memorial Park
- Pool enclosure or other needs
- Bike park

Trail system upgrades and expansions

- Resurface areas of trails
- Purchase land for trails
- Trail maintenance

Cultural Arts

- Peteetneet building renovations and operations
- Continued improvements of Peteetneet Amphitheater
- Payson Community Theater
- Payson City Band

The arguments for or against a ballot proposition are the opinions of the authors.

PRO – The following is a Statement in Support of the PARC Measure that will appear on the Ballot on Tuesday, November 8, 2016.

STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE PARC MEASURE

The Parks, Arts, Recreation and Culture (PARC) tax will provide much-needed funding for supporting the programs that Payson residents enjoy.

The PARC tax is an equitable, transparent, and sustainable method for supporting non-profit organizations and publically owned and operated facilities.

Recreation facilities and arts programs promote economic vitality and otherwise enhance the quality of life for Payson residents. Many other cities around the state have overwhelmingly passed similar ballot propositions. The PARC tax will enhance the improvement of these facilities and programs that appeal to a broad range of people within our community.

Because the PARC tax is a sales-tax increment, its impact is not only on Payson residents but is shared by all who pay sales tax on retail goods, non-food items, and services purchased within Payson City. The tax would look similar to this: **For every \$10 spent within Payson City, the consumer would pay 1 cent.**

The allocation of funds will be recommended by an independent committee of Payson citizens through a grant-writing system and then be approved by the Payson City Council. State law requires that the money be used only for recreational, arts, and parks facilities. **The money cannot be used by city government for city budget items.**

Some of the PARC tax monies could be used in the following ways:

- Biking and Walking Trails
- Youth Arts and Theater Programs
- Museums
- Festivals and Celebrations
- Bands
- Choral groups

The PARC tax is NOT a property tax. Nor is it permanent. It will be in effect for a period of 10 years. After this time it may be placed on the ballot again for voter approval. Payson has a great history of community involvement with programs and parks. Let's continue to ensure that these programs exist and thrive by passing this proposition.

We feel confident in the PARC tax proposition and hope you will **VOTE YES** for the PARC tax on Tuesday, November 8, 2016.

Payson PARC Committee

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CON – The following is an opinion submitted by a Payson City resident who desires to present an opposing viewpoint to the PARC Measure that will appear on the ballot on Tuesday, November 8, 2016.

STATEMENT IN OPPOSITION OF THE PARC MEASURE

While a tax for the benefit of Payson's parks, art, recreation and culture may seem like a good idea, the end result will not be beneficial to the community as a whole. The proposal states that this revenue, if collected, may be used for "Live Theater, Choral Groups, Bands, Festivals and Youth Art and Theater Groups" and Capital Improvements of "Parks, Playing Fields, Trails, Bike Paths, Performing Arts Center, Museums, Pool Enclosure". The actual wording, when looked at closely, states that the funds "May be used for" the above items, but also states that it is "not limited to" those items. Giving our hard earned money to a City Government to spend as they see fit does not sit well with me. There is no accountability to us as the tax payer. We are told that a "committee" will decide how the money is spent. Who will be on this committee? Does it consist of taxpayers, city council members, city employees, business owners, out of town interests? Are the committee members nominated by the Mayor or other Council members? If that is the case, would a person only be picked if they agree with government? Would our elected officials fill the committee with people that agree with their proposals? There is all ready to much strife and waste inherent in our government and giving them money without any actual accountability would be irresponsible on our part. If the city wants money to cover the pool, then let us all vote on raising taxes for it. If the city wants to raise a bond for a Community Center, a new Library, renovation of the Peteetneet Museum or a Performing Arts Center then let them put each idea to a vote. We deserve the right to have our voice heard as to how our money is spent, not listen to a non-elected group tell us what our money should be used for. We cannot continue to nickel and dime our tax payers for the benefit of a few pet projects. A **NO** vote on this proposal is not a vote against Parks, Art, Recreation and Culture, but a vote against unaccountable spending. Raise money the right way for these items through proper specific tax increases, not a slush fund that can be spent without our voices being heard.

Scott Pinkham

EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS & SCHEDULE

Early voting begins 14 days before the date of the election (October 25 – November 4 weekdays only) and will take place at the Payson City Center (439 West Utah Avenue) or at any polling location listed below.

EARLY VOTING GENERAL 2016

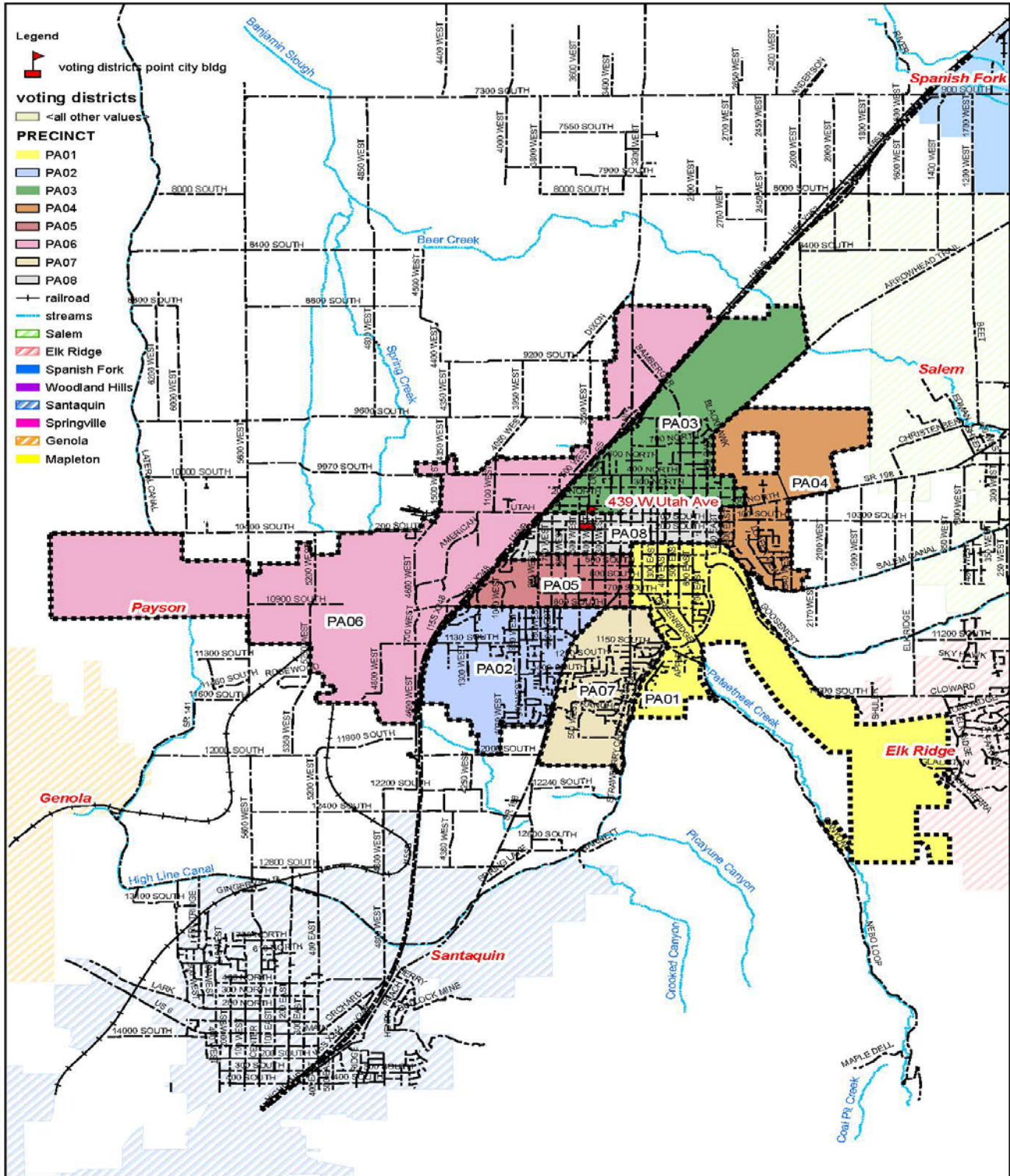
LOCATION	DATE AND TIMES								
	TUES 10/25	WED 10/26	THUR 10/27	FRI 10/28	MON 10/31	TUES 11/01	WED 11/02	THUR 11/03	FRI 11/04
AMERICAN FORK LIBRARY 64 SOUTH 100 EAST	1 PM - 6 PM	1 PM - 6 PM	1 PM - 6 PM	1 PM - 6 PM	1 PM - 6 PM	1 PM - 6 PM	1 PM - 6 PM	1 PM - 6 PM	1PM - 5PM
EAGLE MOUNTAIN CITY HALL 1650 E. STAGECOACH RUN	8 AM - 12 PM	1PM - 5PM	1PM - 5PM	1PM - 5PM	1PM - 5PM	8 AM - 12 PM	1PM - 5PM	1PM - 5PM	1PM - 5PM
HIGHLAND CITY HALL 5400 W CIVIC DR.	10 AM - 6 PM	10 AM - 7 PM	10 AM - 7 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 7 PM	10 AM - 7 PM	10 AM - 7 PM	10 AM - 7 PM	10 AM - 5 PM
LEHI CITY HALL 153 NORTH 100 EAST	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 6 PM	10 AM - 6 PM	10 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 6 PM	10 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 6 PM	10 AM - 6 PM	10 AM - 5 PM
LINDON COMMUNITY CENTER 25 N. MAIN ST.	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM
OREM CITY CENTER RM 100 56 N STATE ST.	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM
PAYSON CITY MUNICIPAL BLDG 439 W. UTAH AVE.	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM
PROVO CITY REC CENTER 320 WEST 500 NORTH	10 AM - 6 PM	10 AM - 6 PM	10 AM - 6 PM	10 AM - 6 PM	10 AM - 6 PM	10 AM - 6 PM	10 AM - 6 PM	10 AM - 6 PM	10 AM - 5 PM
SPANISH FORK CITY HALL 40 S. MAIN ST.	12 PM - 5 PM	12 PM - 5 PM	12 PM - 5 PM	12 PM - 5 PM	12 PM - 5 PM	12 PM - 5 PM	12 PM - 5 PM	12 PM - 5 PM	12 PM - 5 PM
SPRINGVILLE CIVIC CENTER 110 S. MAIN ST.	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM	1 PM - 5 PM
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VOTING LOCATIONS FOR ELECTION DAY

Election day is Tuesday, November 8, 2016, with polls opening at 7:00 a.m. and closing at 8:00 p.m.

Precinct	Location	Address	City
PA01	Payson Jr High School	1025 S Hwy 91	Payson Utah
PA02, PA06	Mount Nebo Jr High	851 W 450 S	Payson Utah
PA03, PA04	Barnett Elementary	456 N 300 E	Payson Utah
PA05, PA07	Spring Lake Elementary	1750 S 500 W	Payson Utah
PA08	Payson City Municipal Building – Banquet Hall	439 W Utah Ave	Payson Utah

PAYSON VOTING PRECINCTS



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Payson City
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