EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Public Hearing and Possible Action: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 20508 to Extend the Temporary Suspension of Multiple-Unit Property Tax Exemptions under Sections 2.945 and 2.947 of the Eugene Code, 1971, through September 1, 2015; and Providing for An Immediate Effective Date

Meeting Date: February 9, 2015

Department: Planning & Development

Agenda Item Number: 4

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ISSUE STATEMENT

This public hearing is an opportunity to hear from the community about the proposal to extend the suspension of the Multi-Unit Property Tax Exemption (MUPTE) program. The extended suspension to September 1, 2015, would provide additional time for the council to take action to modify the MUPTE program criteria.

The MUPTE program is currently suspended until February 28, 2015. Therefore, this item is scheduled for public hearing and possible action at a single meeting and provides for an immediate effective date in order to avoid interruption of the program suspension. *The affirmative vote of two-thirds of the council is required for an effective date less than 30 days after enactment of the ordinance.*

BACKGROUND

On February 27, 2013, the council approved an ordinance suspending the MUPTE program to provide the time needed to conduct a detailed evaluation of the program and determine if modifications should be made. The council subsequently extended the suspension, currently set to end on February 28, 2015.

An extension until September 1, 2015, will provide the council the time necessary to finalize program revisions with the goal of having new program criteria in place before this recommended suspension extension expires.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

- 1. Conduct public hearing and act on the ordinance.
- 2. Conduct public hearing and postpone action on the ordinance.

3. Provide other direction.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

The City Manager recommends that the council adopt the ordinance after the public hearing.

SUGGESTED MOTION

I move to adopt Council Bill 5137, an ordinance extending the temporary suspension of the Multiple-Unit Property Tax Exemption Program through September 1, 2015.

ATTACHMENTS

A. Draft Ordinance

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