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Just The Facts!

Five Facts about Prop. 1 • Brentwood's Use Tax Proposal

Not an Additional Sales Tax

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Fact 1

Prop. 1 will not increase the local sales tax.

This proposal will not increase or change our local sales tax. The local sales tax will remain exactly the same. For the vast majority of purchases made by our local residents, passing this proposal will not change anything. The use tax is applied to some out-of-state and online purchases and is only collected when sales taxes are not already collected by the seller. The state of Missouri already collects the state use tax. This proposal simply adds our local portion.

Fact 2

Out-of-state retailers will be subject to the same tax rate as local retailers.

Brentwood's local retailers collect sales taxes. While some out-of-state retailers collect our local sales tax, others do not. The use tax will subject all retail sales, in-state, out-of-state, and online purchases to the same tax rate.

Fact 3

When development occurs in Brentwood, materials and goods purchased out of state will be subject to the use tax if local sales taxes are not paid.

Following completion of the current Brentwood Bound plan, and once flooding is controlled, many companies will be interested in developing the improved area along Manchester Road. These developers and other commercial and industrial businesses elsewhere in town will pay the use tax on out-of-state purchases for completion of these projects. For example, if a restaurant buys kitchen equipment from California or a store buys new shelves or display cases, the use tax will be collected on that purchase. Those businesses are already required to pay the state's use tax on those purchases. If Brentwood has a use tax, they will then have to pay tax to Brentwood as well.

Fact 4

As more and more retail sales shift to out-of-state purchases, the use tax will help maintain the current level of city revenue.

Unlike many cities in St. Louis County, Brentwood has been able to provide municipal services without relying on property taxes. The use tax will provide revenue for city services without increasing our local sales or property tax.

Fact 5

Absentee voting has begun and Election Day is November 3.

In any election, every vote is important. That's why it is critical you remember to vote on November 3 and remind your friends and family to do the same. With COVID-19, it is more important than ever to be familiar with absentee, mail and in-person voting requirements. Please visit our website for more information.



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