

Amy Johnson

From: Legal
Sent: Tuesday, August 06, 2019 8:49 AM
To: Amy Johnson
Subject: RE: Payroll Tax question

From: mark akimoff [<mailto:makimoff76@gmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2019 11:01 AM
To: SALEM Manager <MANAGER@cityofsalem.net>
Subject: Payroll Tax question

Hello,

I am strongly opposed to the creation of a payroll tax without the public voting on it. I understand the need for more money for Fire and Parks and am sympathetic to those needs, (the police already got the money they took from tax payers for the new building), but you have to ask the public before you take money from them.

Is it possible to have your legal counsel lay out the legality of this for me? I work in the city limits but I live in rural marion county, so I have no say over the elected public officials serving in City Hall. If this payroll tax is pushed through it's clearly taxation without representation for me and thousands of other residents who have no say in the elections of city council. I would love to hear the legal means by which you can push through a tax on the unrepresented?

Families in Salem are having a hard enough time making ends meet, you can't just push through more taxes. It's breaking the backs of the working class in this town.

Also, can I get the email addresses for all the city councilors so I can write them directly?

Thank you,

Mark Akimoff
A very concerned worker.

Kelli Blechschmidt

From: Ann <twofivestars@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, July 26, 2019 11:32 AM
To: Chuck Bennett; SALEM Manager; citycouncil
Subject: Re: City Council moves ahead with operating fee, payroll tax to bolster General Fund. Put before the voters. Take a pay cut all of you until decided! Ann In Salem

I know you do not or the city council..The public workers , city workers need to get their pay frozen..make up the difference! Ann

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On Jul 26, 2019, at 11:19 AM, Chuck Bennett <CBennett@cityofsalem.net> wrote:

We don't get any pay but I still agree it ought to go to the voters and won't support any increase unless they do.

Chuck

Sent from my iPad

On Jul 26, 2019, at 11:15 AM, Ann <twofivestars@comcast.net> wrote:

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Ann Watters <ann.sue@icloud.com>
Date: July 26, 2019 at 7:19:39 AM PDT
Subject: City Council moves ahead with operating fee, payroll tax to bolster General Fund. Put before the voters. Take a pay cut all of you until decided! Ann In Salem

<https://www.statesmanjournal.com/story/news/2019/07/08/city-council-moves-ahead-operating-fee-payroll-tax-bolster-general-fund/1661222001/>

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