



ORDINANCE NO. 24-717

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINSTON OREGON CITY COUNCIL AMENDING TITLE III OF THE WINSTON MUNICIPAL CODE, ADJUSTING ALLOCATION OF THE TRANSIENT ROOM TAX BY AMENDING THE PERCENTAGE USED FOR TOURIST PROMOTION AND THE PERCENTAGE GOING INTO THE GENERAL FUND.

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Winston authorized a general compilation, revision and codification of the ordinances of the City of Winston of a general and permanent nature and publication of such ordinance in book form under Ordinance number 17-675; and,

WHEREAS Title III of the City of Winston Municipal Code is a compilation of all original administrative ordinances and their amendments, including the transient room tax; and,

WHEREAS under Title III of the Municipal Code, section 35.085 thru section 35.097 encompasses the entire transient room tax Code; and,

WHEREAS under state law, use of transient room tax dollars in transient room tax ordinances adopted prior to 2002 are grandfathered and the amount being used to fund tourism promotion could not be reduced but could only be increased; and,

WHEREAS under state law, a new transient room tax or an increase in the amount of transient room tax approved after 2002 could be divided with at least 70% directed to tourism promotion and a maximum of 30% directed into the general fund; and,

WHEREAS Ordinance No. 18-677 changed the allocation of tax revenues received by the city to 87.8 percent for tourist promotion and 12.2 percent for use in the City's General Fund; and,

WHEREAS the Winston City Council now finding it necessary to maximize the usage of both tourism promotion funding and the amount that can be utilized in a discretionary capacity, will modify such amounts to 70% directed to tourism promotion and 30% directed into the general fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF WINSTON OREGON CITY COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Title III, Chapter 30, Section 35.096 (B) of the Winston Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows: *The tax revenues received by the City shall be used as follows: 70% for tourist promotion and 30% for use in the City's General Fund.*

SECTION 2. This Ordinance becomes effective on the thirtieth day following its adoption.

FIRST READING BY THE CITY OF WINSTON OREGON CITY COUNCIL ON THIS 19TH DAY OF AUGUST 2024.

SECOND READING AND ADOPTION BY THE CITY OF WINSTON OREGON CITY COUNCIL ON THIS 3RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2024.

Attest:



Cindy M. Sarti, City Recorder



David S. Rutter, Mayor