

**AN ORDINANCE LEVYING A SALES TAX WITHIN THE
WESTLAKE SPECIAL SERVICE AREA**

WHEREAS, the City of Peoria is a home rule unit of government pursuant to Article 7, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970 and has lawfully established the Westlake Special Service Area as set forth in Ordinance No. 16,579 and 16,580, adopted on July 13, 2010; and

WHEREAS, an owner of property within the Special Service Area has proposed the levy of a sales tax within the boundaries of the Special Service Area for a maximum duration of thirty (30) years, which shall be in addition to such other taxes approved in Ordinance No. 16,579 and 16, 580, for the purpose of funding special services within the Special Service Area; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2014, the City of Peoria held a public hearing at which all interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard on the question of imposing an additional sales tax within the Special Service Area; and

WHEREAS, no petition was filed objecting to the levy/imposition of an additional sales tax within the Special Service Area within sixty (60) days of the adjournment of the public hearing, and, in fact, property owners within the Special Service Area waived the waiting period; and

WHEREAS, in the opinion of the City Council of the City of Peoria, Illinois it is in the best interests of the City and the property owners within the Special Service Area for such tax to be levied or imposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Peoria, Illinois as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to 35 ILCS 200/27-10, there is hereby levied/imposed within the boundaries of the Westlake Special Service Area a tax for the purpose of renovating the parking lot areas within the Special Service Area, and for additions or enhancements to, and/or maintenance of improvements within the Westlake Special Service Area, or along, to, or within the public rights of way known as West Lake Street and Rockwood Road. The tax levied/imposed shall be a sales tax of Seventy-five One Hundredths of a percent (.75%), which shall be in addition (but otherwise identical) to such tax as is currently imposed under Articles II and III of Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Peoria; and in addition to any other tax imposed by law, including any tax levied upon the property within the Special Service Area as permitted by Ordinance No 16, 579 and 16, 580. Such funds generated by this tax will be distributed to property owners within the Special Service Area through the City of Peoria.

Section 2. The City Clerk of the City of Peoria, Illinois is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this Ordinance with the County Clerk of Peoria County, Illinois. The

City Clerk of the City of Peoria is directed to extend said tax in the manner provided by law, beginning on _____, 2014.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately after its passage.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS this _____ day of _____, 2014.

Approved:

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Examined and Approved:

Corporation Counsel