ORDINANCE NO. 109

AN ORDINANCE TO PROPOSE A TEMPORARY SALES TAX FOR A BUILDING TO HOUSE AN AMBULANCE SERVICE, POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND TO BRING THE PROPOSED SALES TAX BEFORE THE VOTERS OF CHERRY VALLEY, ARKANSAS.

WHEREAS, there is a need for a building to house an ambulance service, the police department and the fire department for the citizens of Cherry Valley, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, providing such building will require that the City of Cherry Valley generate funds with which to acquire, construct, and equip such capital improvements and equipment as are necessary for said building.

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to approve the proposal of a temporary one percent (1.00%) sales tax to provide such funding:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHERRY VALLEY, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. The city council of the city finds there is a need to provide a building to house an ambulance service, the police department and the fire department for the citizens of Cherry Valley, Arkansas, and that it is necessary to generate funding to provide such building.

SECTION 2. The city council further finds that in order to provide such funding, a one percent (1.00%) sales tax should be levied upon the gross proceeds or gross receipts derived from sales within the City of Cherry Valley for a period of five (5) years, said period to begin when the tax first begins to be collected, with the proceeds from such tax to be used for the purposes of acquiring, constructing, and equipping capital improvements necessary for said ambulance service, police department and fire department, for the citizens of the City.

SECTION 3. It being required that the levy of such sales tax be subject to the approval of the voters of the City of Cherry Valley, as required by Arkansas law, the proposed sales tax shall not become operative until approved by the vote of the citizens of the City in an election duly held in compliance with the laws of the State of Arkansas.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of any such conflict.

EMERGENCY CLAUSE

The need to address providing adequate ambulance, police and fire protection for the citizens of City of Cherry Valley, being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare, an emergency is hereby declared, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED the Khay of Step (om BOR, 2003.

ATTEST:

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