



Lane County Proposed Vehicle Registration Fee Frequently Asked Questions for City of Springfield Residents

What is the Proposed Vehicle Registration Fee?

The Lane County Vehicle Registration Fee is a fee proposed by Lane County government to support road maintenance. The measure will go before voters in May 2015. More information is available at www.lanecounty.org; click on "Proposed Vehicle Registration Fee."

How much would the fee generate for the City of Springfield?

The proposed Vehicle Registration Fee would generate about \$1 million annually for street preservation and repair within the City of Springfield.

How would the funds be used in Springfield?

The funds would be dedicated to implement projects using existing staffing levels. The City of Springfield would restart the residential street slurry seal program by dedicating \$250,000 to \$300,000 of the new revenue to this program. This would allow the City to seal approximately eight to 10 lane miles of residential streets annually.

The remaining balance of the new revenue source would be dedicated to preserving the City's collectors and arterials. High volume collectors and arterials identified for possible funding through this new revenue source include:

- 42nd Street (IP entrance South to Main Street)
- Marcola Road (28th Street to Hayden Bridge)
- Virginia/Daisy (32nd Street to Bob Straub Parkway)
- South 5th Street
- Thurston Road (58th Street to 69th Street)
- S. 2nd Street (S. A Street to S. F Street)
- 48th Street & 52nd Street (Main Street North to Highway 126)
- Olympic Street (18th Street to 21st Street)
- 18th Street (Olympic Street to Mohawk Boulevard)
- Mohawk Boulevard (G Street North to 18th Street)
- 18th Street (J Street North to Olympic Street)

Why use the proposed new revenue source on street preservation?

The City of Springfield would use this new revenue source on preservation efforts as actively preserving the system is more cost-effective than rehabilitating it at a later date.

The City of Springfield relies on State and Local Fuel Taxes as the primary source of funding for streets. This revenue source no longer keeps pace with preservation and repair needs of the street system. Since 2007, the City has not been able to afford street preservation activities, except on arterials and collectors where federal funds have been available.

Would the proposed fee generate enough revenue to address all of Springfield's street needs?

City of Springfield staff has identified \$4.5 million in annual unmet needs for street preservation and repair, not including more extensive rehabilitation projects. The City of Springfield would receive about \$1 million annually if voters approve the proposed Vehicle Registration Fee. If approved, the new revenue source would allow the City to address more preservation needs than presently possible.

Where can I find out more information about the Vehicle Registration Fee?

Springfield residents who want to learn more about the proposed fee can find additional information at www.lanecounty.org; click on "Proposed Vehicle Registration Fee."