



# LEE'S SUMMIT C H A M B E R

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### **Lee's Summit Chamber announces support for the City of Lee's Summit's No-Tax-Increase Bond Projects Ballot Initiatives and 3% sales tax on non-medical marijuana**

**(LEE'S SUMMIT, Missouri)** — The Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors announced this week its endorsement and support for the City of Lee's Summit's no-tax-increase bond projects ballot initiatives appearing on the April 4, 2023, ballot.

The bonds include a no-tax-increase public safety and emergency preparedness bond project and initiative totaling \$74 million; a no-tax-increase transportation bond project and initiative totaling \$98 million; and a no-tax-increase general municipal bond project and initiative totaling \$14 million.

“Lee's Summit takes great pride in our public safety services, and as a result, one of the main reasons that families are moving to our wonderful community is to enjoy the safety and care provided by our top-rated police and fire departments,” said Matt Baird, president of the Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce. “The revenue generated from these bond initiatives will allow for a consolidated public safety operations coordination center between the police and fire departments, ensuring all information is consistent and shared between our public safety sectors.”

Baird said several other key projects will come from the bonds, including fire and police headquarter renovations and facility reinvestment.

“The no-tax-increase transportation bond project will address major road improvements, sidewalk repairs and upgrading, and facility reinvestments,” he said. “The no-tax-increase general municipal bond project addresses City Hall renovations, maintenance facility renovations as well as the replacement of an outdated resource-planning software system.”

The Lee's Summit Chamber Board of Directors also announced its support of a city sales tax of 3% on all retail sales of adult-use, non-medical marijuana sold in the city of Lee's Summit. The funds from this tax will go to the City's general fund.

“Part of the attraction for businesses to come to Lee's Summit is all that the city offers — from public safety to our beautiful parks system, the development of our thriving downtown and the developments currently happening across our community” Baird said. “The City will be able to ensure our city is a top attraction for business development and growth by capitalizing on this revenue. We encourage the citizens of Lee's Summit and our business community to show their support by voting ‘yes’ on April 4.”



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*The Lee's Summit Chamber was incorporated in 1968 and is a member-supported organization of businesses dedicated to creating opportunities for business success through networking, advocacy, and business and professional development. For additional information, call the Chamber at 816-524-2424.*

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