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Study of Possible Sales Tax Moves Forward

All five of the City Council members agreed to greenlight a committee to explore the reasonableness of putting an increase in the sales tax on the November 2016 ballot. Deadline for a recommendation one way or the other, is due by the end of this year.

Discussion at their Sept. 28 meeting focused on clarifying the mission statement for the independent group to take a long hard look at current and projected city finances, along with sinking funds.

Recent Community Conversations illuminated residents' long-term needs and priorities. Coupled with priorities for the Downtown Specific Plan, there was a wish list of projects with little or no funding.

To clarify the report in the Sept. 23 edition of Lamorinda Weekly, the Chamber of Commerce is supportive of an investigation into the feasibility of a possible tax. C. Tyson

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