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Lafayette to Fine-tune Sales Tax Measure

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While it appeared that all council members were on board with approving a 1 percent citywide sales tax measure to go on the Nov. 8 ballot at recent council meeting, there was some discussion about fine-tuning the actual language of the measure, so it didn't get an official approval.

Back in May, the council accepted the final recommendation of the Sales Tax Revenue Study Committee and poll results from Godbe Research on a voter attitude survey about a general 1 percent sales tax that would run for 29 years and raise \$3 million dollars annually.

The council hoped to hone the language at its next meeting, which was slated for July 11.

Also on the November ballot will be the election of three of Lafayette's five city council seats now occupied by Mayor Mark Mitchell, vice mayor Mike Anderson and council member Traci Reilly. Reilly recently announced she will not seek reelection due to family and various other commitments, wrapping up her term that ends in December. As of press time, it was unclear whether Mitchell and Anderson will run for reelection.

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