MINUTES

WEBER COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Tuesday, May 16th, 2023 – 9:46 a.m.

Via Zoom meeting + at Weber Center, 2380 Washington Blvd., Ogden, UT

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WEBER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: Gage Froerer, James "Jim" H. Harvey, and Sharon Bolos STAFF PRESENT: Ricky Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; Christopher Crockett, Deputy County Attorney; and Craig D. Brandt (via Zoom), of the County Clerk/Auditor's office, who took minutes.

A. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Harvey

B. CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Minutes for the Board Equalization meeting held on May 24th, 2022.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve the consent items; Commissioner Froerer seconded. Commissioner Froerer - aye; Commissioner Bolos- aye; Chair Harvey- aye

C. ACTION ITEMS:

1. APPROVAL OF THE 2022 TAX RELIEF PROGRAM.

Dakota Wurth (Deputy Clerk, Board of Equalization): State legislature allows tax relief to be granted by the county for a variety of reasons including veterans with a disability, elderly with lower income, indigent, blind, and deployed military. Weber County approved a total of 4,837 applications last year, an increase of 171 from last year. 3,583 of those were veterans with a disability; 989 were elderly with lower income (Circuit Breaker), 304 were indigent; 90 were blind; and 10 were deployed military. Total abatement allotted over \$8.1M.

Commissioner Froerer moved to approve the 2022 Tax Relief; Commissioner Bolos seconded. Commissioner Froerer - aye; Commissioner Bolos- aye; Chair Harvey-aye

2. APPROVAL OF THE 2022 APPEALS AND JOURNAL VOUCHERS.

Dakota Wurth (Deputy Clerk, Board of Equalization): Weber County sent out 100,867 valuation notices last year with 1731 total appeals which is 1.7% of total notices mailed; last year appeals were just under 1,000 and the year before that was just under 2,000. 224 appeals, or 12.9% of total notices mailed, were not accepted due to lack of evidence, not timely, or parcel number entry error. 1507 appeals were accepted, or 87% of total appeals filed, with 596, or 39.5%, with no adjustments made. 911, or 60.5%, had some adjustment made to the value. 1,049 journal vouchers processed with 576 being value adjustments and 473 being direct charge adjustments (tax relief adjustments made after the September 1st cut off are included in the tax relief report).

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve the 2021 Appeals and Journal Entries; Commissioner Froerer seconded. Commissioner Froerer - aye; Commissioner Bolos- aye; Chair Harvey-aye

3. APPROVAL OF THE 2023 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS.

Dakota Wurth (Deputy Clerk, Board of Equalization): One additional exempt organization to add to the list that was previously routed, the Mitchell Foundation. Exempt org filings with three new approved organizations and two that discontinued operations for a total of 169 active exempt organizations with 80 religious, 7 educational, and 82 charitable.

Commissioner Froerer moved to approve the 2022 Property Tax Exemption Filings; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

Commissioner Froerer - aye; Commissioner Bolos- aye; Chair Harvey-aye

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE.

E. ADJOURN

Commissioner Bolos moved to adjourn at 9:56 am.; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

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Attest:

Ricky D. Hatch, CPA Weber County Clerk/Auditor

James H. Harvey, Chair Weber County Commission