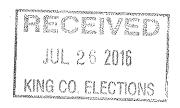
## CITY OF SNOQUALMIE, WASHINGTON



#### ORDINANCE NO. 1178

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SNOQUALMIE, WASHINGTON, PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8. 2016, OF A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO LIFT THE LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN RCW 84.55.010 IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO PAY THE COSTS OF PROVIDE AN ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL POLICE OFFICERS AND AN ESTIMATED ONE ADDITIONAL FIREFIGHTER: AUTHORIZING THE CITY COUNCIL TO APPROPRIATE THE FUNDS TO ALTERNATIVE PUBLIC SAFETY USES SHOULD THE  $\mathbf{BE}$ FULLY **IMPLEMENTED** OR, ALTERNATIVE, PROVE IMPRACTICAL; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in order to provide funds to pay the costs of public safety, including maintaining appropriate levels of service for police, fire, and emergency medical services for Basic Life Support and emergency response; meeting the Snoqualmie Fire Department's goal and nationally recognized service standard of having three firefighters on duty 24 hours a day available to respond to more than one fire or emergency medical call at a time; maintaining fast response times to 911 calls; and maintaining the "No Call Too Small" community standard of responding to every 911 call; it is deemed advisable that the City Council impose taxes within the limits permitted to cities; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.55.050 authorizes the voters of a city to authorize an increase above the levy limitations established in RCW 84.55.005 and RCW 84.55.010; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Snoqualmie, Washington, as follows:

Section 1. Findings. The City Council hereby finds the best interests of the residents of the City require the City to provide additional funds to pay for the costs of providing for public

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fire, and emergency medical services for Basic Life Support and emergency response; meeting the

Snoqualmie Fire Department's goal and nationally recognized service standard of having three

firefighters on duty 24 hours a day available to respond to more than one fire or emergency medical

call at a time; maintaining fast response times to 911 calls; and maintaining the "No Call Too

Small" community standard of responding to every 911 call. The City Council further finds that

the best interests of the City's residents require the City to fund the following public safety costs

(the "Plan"), at the time and in the order and in the manner deemed most necessary and advisable

by the Council.

1. An estimated two (2) additional full-time equivalent police officers; and

2. An estimated one (1) additional full-time equivalent firefighter; and

3. Such other additional and/or related police and/or firefighter costs as necessary to

maintain levels of service and response times as described above.

The cost of all compensation, benefits, training, support services, equipment, vehicles, and/or

administrative expenses and other costs incurred in connection with the Plan shall be deemed a

part of the costs of the Plan.

Section 2. Implementation and/or Alteration of the Plan. The City Council shall

determine the exact specifications for the Plan as well as the timing, order and manner of

implementing the Plan. By ordinance of the City, the Council may alter, make substitutions to and

amend the description of any portion of the Plan as it determines is in the best interests of the City

and consistent with the general descriptions and public safety levels of service provided herein.

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set forth above, including the final funding amount for each component, so as to accomplish, as

nearly as may be, the Plan described. If the City Council, by ordinance, shall determine that it has

become impractical to implement any portion of the Plan by reason of changed conditions,

including without limitation costs substantially in excess of the amount of tax levies and other City

funds estimated to be available, the City shall not be required to undertake such portions. If all of

the Plan has been duly provided for, or found to be impractical, the City may apply the levy

proceeds (including earnings thereon) or any portion thereof to other public safety purposes as the

Council, by ordinance and in its discretion, shall determine.

Section 3. Levy of Additional Regular Property Taxes. It is hereby found and

declared the best interests of the City require the submission to the qualified electors of the

City of the proposition whether the City shall levy regular property taxes above the levy

limitations established in RCW 84.55.005 and RCW 84.55.010 for their ratification or rejection at

an election to be held on November 8, 2016. For the purpose of providing funds to pay the costs

of the public safety Plan described in Section 1, including an estimated two (2) additional police

officers and an estimated one (1) additional firefighter, the Director of King County Elections, as ex

officio supervisor of elections in King County, Washington, is hereby requested to call and conduct

such election to be held on such day and to submit to the qualified electors of the City for their

approval or rejection a proposition to increase the City's regular property tax levy by up to \$0.23

per \$1,000 of assessed valuation (to a total rate not to exceed \$2.54 per \$1,000 of assessed

valuation) for collection in 2017, as allowed by chapter 84.55 RCW. The 2017 levy amount will

be used to calculate subsequent levy limits.

Upon approval of the voters of the proposition hereinafter set forth, the City may use

proceeds of such levy for public safety to pay the costs of the public safety Plan herein described,

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including an estimated two (2) additional police officers and an estimated one (1) additional firefighter.

Section 4. Certification of Ballot Proposition. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to certify the following proposition to the Director of King County Elections, as ex officio supervisor of elections in King County, Washington, in substantially the following form. The election shall be held by all mail-in ballot.

### CITY OF SNOQUALMIE

#### **PROPOSITION 1**

#### PUBLIC SAFETY

The City of Snoqualmie, Washington adopted Ordinance No. 1178 concerning funding of appropriate levels of service for public safety. This proposition would fund a public safety plan, including an estimated two additional police officers and an estimated one additional firefighter, to maintain appropriate service levels and response times for police, fire, and emergency services. It increases the City's regular property tax rate by \$0.23/\$1,000 to a maximum rate of \$2.54/\$1,000 of assessed valuation for collection in 2017, as allowed by RCW 84.55. The 2017 levy amount will be used to calculate subsequent levy limits.

Should this proposition be:

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Section 6. Corrections by City Clerk. Upon approval of the City Attorney, the City Clerk and the code reviser are authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance, including the correction of clerical errors; references to other local, state or federal laws, codes, rules, or regulations; or ordinance numbering and section/subsection numbering.

Section 7. Severability. If any one or more section, subsection, or sentence of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance and the same shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Snoqualmie, Washington, at a regular open public meeting thereof held this 25<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016.

CITY OF SNOQUALMIE, WASHINGTON

Matthew R. Larson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jodi Warren, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Bob C. Sterbank, City Attorney

## CITY OF SNOQUALMIE, WASHINGTON

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 1181**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY SNOQUALMIE, WASHINGTON. **AMENDING** ORDINANCE NO. 1178 PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2016, OF A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO LIFT THE LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN RCW 84.55.010 IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO PAY THE COSTS OF PLAN TO PROVIDE AN **ESTIMATED** ADDITIONAL POLICE OFFICERS AND AN ESTIMATED ONE ADDITIONAL FIREFIGHTER, TO CORRECT THE MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX LEVY RATE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on July 25, 2016, the Snoqualmie City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1178 providing for submission of a levy lid lift proposition to the qualified electors of the City at an election to be held on November 8, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the proposition authorized in Ordinance No. 1178 would, if approved by the voters, authorize the City to lift the levy limit established in RCW 84.55.010 in order to provide funds to pay the costs of a plan to provide an estimated two additional full-time equivalent police officers and an estimated one additional full-time equivalent firefighter; and

WHEREAS, the levy lid lift proposed in Ordinance No. 1178 would increase the City's regular property tax levy by up to \$0.23 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, to a total rate not to exceed \$2.54 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, for collection in 2017; and

WHEREAS, the total "not to exceed" rate of \$2.54 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation provided for in Ordinance No. 1178 was based on an estimated increase in the amount of the City's total assessed valuation from 2016 to 2017, and corresponding decrease in the property tax levy rate amount per Ordinance No. 1178

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\$1,000 of assessed valuation from 2016 to 2017, so that the proposed rate increase of \$0.23 per \$1,000 would not increase the regular property tax levy rate beyond \$2.54 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation; and

WHEREAS, due to uncertainty in projecting the actual amount of increase in total assessed valuation for 2017, and the corresponding actual property tax levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, the City Council desires to amend Ordinance No. 1178 to restate the maximum levy rate per \$1,000 assuming no change in the current base regular property levy rate from 2016 to 2017;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Snoqualmie, Washington, as follows:

Section 1. Amendment of Ordinance No. 1178, Section 3. Section 3 of Ordinance No. 1178 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 3. Levy of Additional Regular Property Taxes. It is hereby found and declared the best interests of the City require the submission to the qualified electors of the City of the proposition whether the City shall levy regular property taxes above the levy limitations established in RCW 84.55.005 and RCW 84.55.010 for their ratification or rejection at an election to be held on November 8, 2016. For the purpose of providing funds to pay the costs of the public safety Plan described in Section 1, including an estimated two (2) additional police officers and an estimated one (1) additional firefighter, the Director of King County Elections, as ex officio supervisor of elections in King County, Washington, is hereby requested to call and conduct such election to be held on such day and to submit to the qualified electors of the City for their approval or rejection a proposition to increase the City's regular property tax levy by up to \$0.23 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation (to a total rate not to exceed \$2.78 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation) for collection in 2017, as allowed by chapter 84.55 RCW. The 2017 levy amount will be used to calculate subsequent levy limits.

Upon approval of the voters of the proposition hereinafter set forth, the City may use proceeds of such levy for public safety to pay the

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Section 2. Amendment of Ordinance No. 1178, Section 4. Section 4 of Ordinance No.

1178 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 4. <u>Certification of Ballot Proposition</u>. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to certify the following proposition to the Director of King County Elections, as *ex officio* supervisor of elections in King County, Washington, in substantially the following form. The election shall be held by all mail-in ballot.

# CITY OF SNOQUALMIE PROPOSITION 1

#### PUBLIC SAFETY

The City of Snoqualmie, Washington adopted Ordinance No. 1178 concerning funding of appropriate levels of service for public safety. This proposition would fund a public safety plan, including an estimated two additional police officers and an estimated one additional firefighter, to maintain appropriate service levels and response times for police, fire, and emergency services. It increases the City's regular property tax rate by \$0.23/\$1,000 to a maximum rate of \$2.78/\$1,000 of assessed valuation for collection in 2017, as allowed by RCW 84.55. The 2017 levy amount will be used to calculate subsequent levy limits.

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APPROVED?
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Should this proposition be:

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Section 6. Corrections by City Clerk. Upon approval of the City Attorney, the City Clerk and the code reviser are authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance, including the correction of clerical errors; references to other local, state or federal laws, codes, rules, or regulations; or ordinance numbering and section/subsection numbering.

Section 7. Severability. If any one or more section, subsection, or sentence of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance and the same shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Snoqualmie, Washington, at a special open public meeting thereof held this 16th day of September, 2016.

CITY OF SNOQUALMIE, WASHINGTON

Matthew R. Larson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jodi Warren, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Bob C. Sterbank, City Attorney

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