

KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.16

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RESOLUTION NO. 18-03

BENEFIT CHARGE - SPECIAL ELECTION TO RE-AUTHORIZE

A Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 16 declaring the intent to continue voter-authorized benefit charge to fund District operations and calling for a special election within the District of a proposition authorizing the continued use of a benefit charge on personal property and improvements to real property within the District for six years beginning in 2020.

WHEREAS, the District has been authorized by its citizens pursuant to Chapter 52.18 RCW to establish, impose and collect a benefit charge on assessed personal property and improvements to real property located within the district; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners has determined that the benefit charge, established in conjunction with a lower level of taxes provides the most stable, reliable and cost effective method for financing the operations of the District needed to maintain a satisfactory level of District services; and

WHEREAS, it is reasonable and necessary that the District continue to impose a benefit charge for the support of its legally authorized activates that will maintain or improve the services provided by the District;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 16 as follows:

- 1. <u>Benefit Charge</u>. It is the declared intent of the District to fix and impose a benefit charge on personal property and improvements to real property located within the fire protection district, which have or will receive benefits provided by the fire protection district, to be paid by owners of such properties.
- 2. <u>Amount</u>. The benefit charge for 2020 and each succeeding calendar year shall be set in the year preceding imposition of the charge. In no event shall the benefit charge be more than 60% of the operations budget of the District for the year in which the benefit charge is to be collected.

- 3. <u>Effective Date.</u> The proposed benefit charge would be imposed on the affected property beginning January 1, 2020, if approved by the voters.
- 4. <u>Notice of Service Charge.</u> Property owners will be notified in writing the amount of the benefit charge to be imposed each year on each property prior to establishment of a Benefit Charge Review Board pursuant to RCW 52.18.070.
- 5. <u>Election</u>. Pursuant to the provisions of RCW 52.18.050 (1), there shall be submitted to the qualified elects of the District for their approval or rejection, at a special election on February 12, 2019, the question of whether or not a benefit charge for fire protection purposes shall be continued, and the Superintendent of Elections of King County's Division of Record and Elections is hereby requested to place on February 12, 2019, special election a ballot title in language prescribed by RCW 52.18.050 (3) as follows:

PROPOSITION 1 - Benefit Charge Continuation

"Shall King County Fire Protection District No. 16 be authorized to continue voterauthorized benefit charges each year for six consecutive years, not to exceed an amount equal to sixty percent of its operating budget, and be prohibited from imposing an additional property tax under RCW 52.16.160?"

YES	NO	

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 16 in a regular open public meeting on the 7th day of August 2018.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

CAROLYN ARMANINI, Chair p

RICK VERLINDA, Member

DON ELLIS, Member

DAVID MAEHREN, Member

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ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 16, held on August 7, 2018

KATE HANSEN, Secretary

Board of Commissioners