

Vashon Island School District No. 402  
King County, Washington

Replacement of Expiring Technology and Facilities Capital Projects Levy

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Adopted November 14, 2019

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**WHEREAS**, the educational facilities of Vashon Island School District No. 402, King County, Washington (the "District"), including instructional technology infrastructure and equipment, are in need of modernization, renovation and improvements to meet the current and future educational programs for its students; and

**WHEREAS**, funds available to the District will be insufficient to enable the District to implement such projects; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to support the cost of these projects as found necessary by the Board of Directors, it is deemed advisable that the District levy a tax upon all the taxable property within the District in excess of the annual tax the District is permitted by law to levy without a vote of the people, such levy to be made for four years commencing in 2020 for collection in the school years 2021 through 2024, inclusive, as authorized by Article VII, Section 2 of the State Constitution and RCW 84.52.053; and

**WHEREAS**, the question of whether or not such excess tax may be levied must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection; and

**WHEREAS**, the levy authorized by this resolution will replace an expiring levy and will be for generally the same purposes of that levy; and

**WHEREAS**, the conditions set forth above create a situation which requires the holding of a special election in the District; to support the modernization, improvement or remodeling of school facilities or implementation of the District's technology plan;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**Section 1. Authorization of Levies.** It is hereby found that it is in the District's best interest to submit to qualified electors of the District the proposition whether the District shall make the Capital Projects Fund levies for their ratification at a special election to be held on February 11, 2020. The levy will be for the purpose of providing funds necessary to acquire and install computers and other technology equipment for student learning in school facilities and make other technology improvements to the District's technology systems, make other capital improvements to school facilities and acquire equipment. The King County Auditor, as ex-officio supervisor of

elections in King County, is hereby requested to call and conduct such special election to be held within the District and to submit to the qualified electors of the District for their approval or rejection, a proposition providing for tax levies for the Capital Projects Fund for four years, commencing in 2020, producing dollar amounts at estimated tax rates per thousand dollars of assessed value to produce such amounts, in excess of the maximum amount tax levy permitted by the law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors, all as follows:

- A. \$1,500,000, said levy to be made in 2020 for collection in 2021;
- B. \$1,500,000, said levy to be made in 2021 for collection in 2022;
- C. \$1,500,000, said levy to be made in 2022 for collection in 2023;
- D. \$1,500,000, said levy to be made in 2023 for collection in 2024.

The estimated levy rate depends upon the final dollar amount of assessed value of the property within the District. At this time, based upon information provided by the King County Assessor's office, the estimated levy rate for the 2020 levy is \$0.4337 per thousand dollars of estimated assessed valuation (\$3,458,445,553), the estimated levy rate for the 2021 levy is \$0.4131 per thousand dollars of estimated assessed valuation (\$3,631,366,189), the estimated levy rate for the 2022 levy is \$0.3972 per thousand dollars of estimated assessed valuation (\$3,776,619,524), and the estimated levy rate for the 2023 levy is \$0.3819 per thousand dollars of estimated assessed valuation (\$3,927,682,993). The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy.

Section 2. Approval of Form of Ballot. The Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized and directed to certify the proposition to the King County Manager of Records and Elections, as ex-officio supervisor of elections in King County, subject to final approval by the King County Prosecuting Attorney, substantially in the following form:

Proposition No. 1

Vashon Island School District No. 402

Replacement of Expiring Technology and Facilities Capital Projects Levy

The Board of Directors of Vashon Island School District No. 402 approved a proposition to finance technology and school improvements in Resolution 778. This proposition would authorize the District to acquire and install technology equipment upgrades and make other capital improvements to and acquire equipment for school facilities, by levying the following excess taxes, in place of an expiring levy, upon all taxable property within the District:

<u>Collection Years</u>	<u>Estimated Levy Rate/\$1000 Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2021	0.4337/\$1000	\$1,500,000
2022	0.4131/\$1000	\$1,500,000
2023	0.3972/\$1000	\$1,500,000
2024	0.3819/\$1000	\$1,500,000

Should this proposition be approved?

Levy ... YES

Levy ... NO

**Section 3. Use and Sufficiency of Levy Proceeds.** If such proposition is approved by the requisite number of voters, the District will be authorized to levy the excess property taxes provided in this resolution to pay costs of all projects, as may be authorized by law and determined necessary and advisable by the Board. Pending the receipt of those taxes, the District may issue short-term obligations pursuant to chapter 39.50 RCW or contract indebtedness pursuant to RCW 28A.530.080. Upon receipt, the District may use those taxes to repay such short-term obligations or indebtedness, all as may be authorized by law and deemed necessary and advisable by the Board.

Proceeds from the levy may be used (a) to pay costs associated with implementing the Projects, including, but not limited to, acquiring, constructing and installing hardware and licensing software, online applications and training related to the installation of the foregoing, furniture, equipment, fixtures, accessories and appurtenances, all as deemed necessary and advisable by the Board and (b) pay incidental costs incurred in connection with carrying out and accomplishing the foregoing, including, but not limited to: (1) payments for fiscal and legal expenses; (2) costs of establishing and funding accounts; (3) necessary and related engineering, architectural, planning, consulting, permitting, inspection and testing costs; (4) administrative and relocation expenses; (5) site acquisition and improvement costs; (6) demolition costs; (7) costs of on and off-site utilities and road improvements; and (8) costs of other similar activities or purposes, all as deemed necessary and advisable by the Board.

If available proceeds from the excess property tax levies authorized herein are more than sufficient to carry out the Projects, or should state or local circumstances require any alteration in the Projects, the District may apply such proceeds to other capital purposes, or reduce or eliminate the excess property tax levies authorized herein, all as the Board may determine by resolution and as permitted by law.

If the Board shall determine that it has become impractical to accomplish the Projects or any portion thereof by reason of state or local circumstances, including changed conditions or needs, regulatory considerations, incompatible development or costs substantially in excess of those estimated, the District shall not be required to accomplish such Projects and may apply the

proceeds from the excess property tax levies or any portion thereof to other capital purposes of the District, or reduce or eliminate the excess property tax levies authorized herein, all as the Board may determine by resolution and as permitted by law. In the event that the proceeds from the excess property tax levies authorized herein, plus any other money of the District legally available therefor, are insufficient to accomplish all of the Projects, the District shall use the available money for paying the cost of that portion of the Projects that is deemed by the Board most necessary and in the best interest of the Board.

Notwithstanding anything in this resolution to the contrary, the proceeds from the excess property tax levies authorized herein may be used only to support the construction, modernization or remodeling of school facilities.

Section 4. Authorization of Local Voters' Pamphlet. To the extent a local voters' pamphlet and/or online voters' guide (the "Pamphlet") will be produced for the February 11, 2020 election, the preparation and distribution of information on the ballot title for inclusion in the Pamphlet is hereby authorized; provided that, the District reserves the right not to participate in the preparation and distribution of the Pamphlet if such participation would create undue financial hardship for the District or would otherwise not be in the best interests of the District. The Secretary is authorized to exercise the District's right not to participate in the preparation and distribution of the Pamphlet. The Pamphlet shall include, if applicable, an explanatory statement and statements in favor of and in opposition to the ballot title. The preparation of the explanatory statement, the appointment of pro/con committees and the preparation of statements in favor and in opposition to the ballot title shall be in accordance with chapter 29A.32 RCW and the rules and guidelines of the Washington State Auditor and/or the Director of Elections of King County, as applicable. The District understands that it is responsible to pay its proportionate share of the costs of the Pamphlet under RCW 29A.32.270.

Section 5. Authorization. The Secretary to the Board and the Executive Director of Business & Operations are directed to: (a) present a certified copy of this resolution to the Director of Elections no later than December 13, 2019, and (b) perform such other duties as are necessary or required by law to submit to the District's voters at the aforesaid special election, including advertising for and choosing a pro/con committee, for their approval or rejection, the proposition of whether the District shall levy annual excess property taxes to pay costs of the Projects. All actions of the District or its staff or officers taken prior to the effective date of this resolution and consistent with the objectives and terms of this resolution are ratified and confirmed. receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot title required by RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates the Executive Director of Business & Operations (Matt Sullivan), telephone: (206) 463-8524; email: msullivan@vashonsd.org as the individual to whom the Auditor shall provide such notice. The Secretary and Executive Director of Business & Operations are authorized to approve changes to the ballot title, if any, deemed necessary by the Auditor or the King County Prosecuting Attorney.

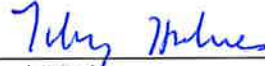
ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Vashon Island School District No. 402, King County, Washington at a regular meeting thereof, held this 14th day of November, 2019.

ATTEST:

Vashon Island School District #402  
Board of Directors



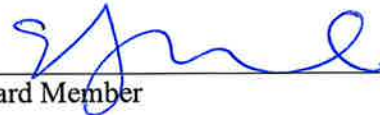
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