

RESOLUTION NO. 21-002
Pierce County Fire District 23

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PIERCE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 23 PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE FIRE DISTRICT, AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE 2nd DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2021 OF A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING A SIX-YEAR LEVY OF A REGULAR TAX ON TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE FIRE DISTRICT AS AUTHORIZED IN RCW84.52.069, TO PROVIDE FUNDS REQUIRED BY THE FIRE DISTRICT FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, INCLUDING PERSONNEL COSTS, TRAINING FOR SUCH PERSONNEL, AND RELATED EQUIPMENT. SAID LEVY TO BE IN A SUM NOT TO EXCEED FIFTY CENTS (50 CENTS) PER \$1,000.00 OF ASSESSED VALUATION, TO BE COLLECTED FOR SIX YEARS STARTING IN 2022.

WHEREAS: Pierce County Fire District 23 did have approved by the electors in past years a regular property tax in the amount of fifty cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed value of property to defray the cost of emergency medical services as provided by the fire district for a six-year period; and

WHEREAS: The Board of Commissioners of Pierce County Fire District 23 have deemed it essential and necessary in order to prevent the impairment of emergency medical services as enumerated hereafter to the residents of the district, and to expand funds raised through a levy of \$.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PIERCE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 23, PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON:

Section 1: To continue to meet the existing needs for emergency medical services to meet anticipated future medical needs arising from accelerated growth within the community, and to satisfy personnel needs including training, to upgrade the district's emergency medical equipment and to provide basic emergency medical service supplies at levels in keeping with effects of inflationary costs, the district requires funds for such needs.

Section 2: For the purpose of raising revenues adequate to pay costs attributable to providing adequate emergency medical services as described in Section 1 of this resolution, and to maintain reserve funds sufficient to assure continuation of those services the district shall levy in 2022, and each successive year for five years thereafter, for collection each year for six consecutive years, beginning in 2022, a general tax on all taxable property within the district in an amount not to exceed \$.50 per \$1,000.00 of true and fair assessed valuation.

Section 3: There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the district for their ratification or rejection at the General election on November 2, 2021 the proposition

hereinafter set forth. The Board of Commissioners hereby declare that the Auditor of Pierce County as ex-officio Supervisor of Elections, is hereby requested to call said election and to submit the following proposition at said election in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

**PROPOSITION 1
PIERCE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 23**

REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

The Board of Commissioners of Pierce County Fire District 23 has adopted a resolution calling for an election on an EMS levy. Shall Pierce County Fire District 23 be authorized to impose a regular property tax levy of up to \$.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years for emergency medical services:

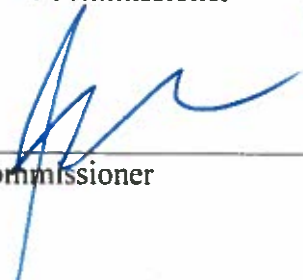
Yes.....

No.....

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Pierce County Fire District 23 at a regular meeting this 14th day of June, 2021 with the following Commissioners present and voting:



Chair/Commissioner



Commissioner

Attest:



District Secretary

Final – 7/23/2021

Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 23

(Ashford, Elbe, Alder)

Special Election – Proposition No. 1

Regular Property Tax Levy (EMS)

Official Ballot Title: Will the Board of Fire Commissioners of Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 23 be authorized to impose a regular property tax levy of fifty cents (\$0.50) or less per thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years to be collected beginning in 2022 for emergency medical services?

Yes...[]

No ...[]

EMS Levy

Explanatory Statement

The Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire Protection District No. 23 has passed a resolution requesting an election to authorize a levy of a property tax in an amount not to exceed fifty cents per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation, each year for six (6) consecutive years. This particular property tax levy would only be for the provision of emergency medical services. The funds raised would be used for personnel, training, equipment, supplies, vehicles and other facilities needed for emergency medical services. The funds would also be used to obtain medical supplies and appliances to equip such vehicles and facilities. This EMS levy would be in addition to the regular levy for maintenance and operation costs, and the funds raised by such levy can only be used for the provision of emergency medical care and emergency medical services.