

PIERCE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 3

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RESOLUTION NO. 040715-004

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PIERCE COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 3, PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT AT A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE DISTRICT ON AUGUST 4, 2015, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE STATE PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE SAME DATE, OF A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF A GENERAL TAX ON THE TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE DISTRICT IN EXCESS OF CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY LIMITATIONS IN THE SUM OF \$43,900,000; **YEAR 1** - \$10,975,000, WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY \$1.35 PER \$1,000 OF ASSESSED VALUATION (BASED ON AN ASSESSMENT RATIO OF 100% OF TRUE AND FAIR MARKET VALUE), TO BE COLLECTED IN 2016, **YEAR 2** - \$10,975,000, WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY \$1.30 PER \$1,000 OF ASSESSED VALUATION (BASED ON AN ASSESSMENT RATIO OF 100% OF TRUE AND FAIR MARKET VALUE), TO BE COLLECTED IN 2017, **YEAR 3** - \$10,975,000, WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY \$1.26 PER \$1,000 OF ASSESSED VALUATION (BASED ON AN ASSESSMENT RATIO OF 100% OF TRUE AND FAIR MARKET VALUE), TO BE COLLECTED IN 2018, **YEAR 4** - \$10,975,000, WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY \$1.22 PER \$1,000 OF ASSESSED VALUATION (BASED ON AN ASSESSMENT RATIO OF 100% OF TRUE AND FAIR MARKET VALUE), TO BE COLLECTED IN 2019, TO PROVIDE FUNDS REQUIRED BY THE DISTRICT TO MAINTAIN OPERATIONAL CAPABILITIES, TO AVOID A REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF FIREFIGHTER EMPLOYEES, AND FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION EXPENDITURES ESSENTIAL FOR BASIC FIRE AND LIFE PROTECTION NEEDS.

WHEREAS: It is the judgment of the Board of Commissioners of the district that it is essential and necessary for the protection of the health, life and property of the residents of the district that the fire and emergency medical services enumerated in this resolution be provided by the district. Such services will necessitate the expenditure of revenues for maintenance, operations and equipment in excess of those which can be provided by the district's regular tax levy for collection beginning in 2016 and ending in 2019, such excess being not less than \$43,900,000; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PIERCE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The district does not obtain sufficient revenue from its regular property tax levy to provide fire and emergency medical services at the level that it currently provides. The purpose of this special levy would be to provide sufficient funds to maintain the level of services during 2016 through 2019. The funds obtained through the excess levy will be used to pay regular maintenance and operation costs and to maintain the current level of emergency services.

SECTION 2. In order to produce the revenue adequate to pay the costs of providing adequate fire protection and emergency medical services as described in Section 1 of this resolution and to maintain reserve funds sufficient to assure the continuation of such services, the district shall levy in 2015, and collect in 2016, a general tax on taxable property within the district, in excess of the regular levy, for maintenance and operation

costs in the amount of \$10,975,000; the district shall levy in 2016, and collect in 2017, a general tax on taxable property within the district, in excess of the regular levy, for maintenance and operation costs in the amount of \$10,975,000; the district shall levy in 2017, and collect in 2018, a general tax on taxable property within the district, in excess of the regular levy, for maintenance and operation costs in the amount of \$10,975,000; the district shall levy in 2018, and collect in 2019, a general tax on taxable property within the district, in excess of the regular levy, for maintenance and operation costs in the amount of \$10,975,000.

SECTION 3. There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the district for their ratification or rejection, at a special election on August 4, 2015, in conjunction with the state primary election to be held on the same date, the question of whether or not such levy for maintenance and operations, in excess of the constitutional and statutory limits, shall be made. The Board of Commissioners hereby declares that an emergency exists and the Auditor of Pierce County, as ex-officio Supervisor of Elections, is hereby requested to find that an emergency exists, to call such special election, and to submit the following proposition at such election, in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

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PROPOSITION 1

WEST PIERCE FIRE & RESCUE
(Pierce County Fire District No. 3)
Re-Authorizing Property Tax Levy
For Maintenance and Operation Expenses

The Board of Fire Commissioners of Pierce County Fire District No. 3 adopted Resolution No. 040715-004 concerning a proposition to finance maintenance and operation expenses. This proposition, if approved, will re-authorize the District to levy, without regard to the dollar rate and percentage limitations imposed by Ch. 84.52 RCW, a property tax upon all taxable property within the District of approximately:

<u>Levy Year</u>	<u>Collection Year</u>	<u>Approximate Rate per \$1,000 of Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2015	2016	\$1.35	\$10,975,000
2016	2017	\$1.30	\$10,975,000
2017	2018	\$1.26	\$10,975,000
2018	2019	\$1.22	\$10,975,000


to be used for maintenance and operations and to maintain the current level of fire services and emergency medical services as provided in Resolution No. 040715-004. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

Adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Pierce County Fire District No. 3 this 7th day of April, 2015.


Board Chair



Commissioner


Commissioner

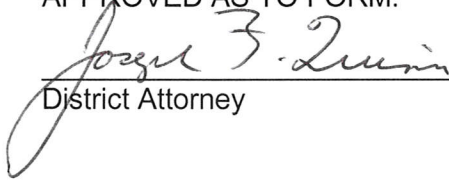
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ATTEST:


District Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


District Attorney