

Special Election - Proposition No. 1 Levy Lid Lift

See complete resolution text at
PierceCountyElections.org

Ballot Title

The Board of Fire Commissioners of Central Pierce Fire & Rescue adopted Resolution No. 19-03 concerning an increase in the District's regular property tax levy. If approved, Proposition No. 1 will authorize the District to restore in 2020 the previously voter-approved rate of \$1.00 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, thereby exceeding the 1% limit on annual increases in tax revenues. The 2020 levy dollar amount will be used to compute the limit for subsequent levies as provided in chapter 84.55 RCW; all as provided in Resolution No. 19-03. Should Proposition No. 1 be approved or rejected?

Explanatory Statement

The voters of Central Pierce Fire & Rescue approved a fire levy rate of \$1.00 per thousand of assessed valuation many years ago. However, due to the 1 % tax rate increase limitation, the rate could fall to \$0.82 in 2020, unless the voters approve this proposition restoring the rate to \$1.00. A taxpayer with the average home value of \$305,000 would anticipate an increase in tax of \$3.98 per month.

Central Pierce Fire & Rescue responded to the community's calls for emergency medical care, fire suppression, rescue, and other emergencies 30,259 times last year. This is a 14.7% increase in calls since 2011.

Revenue raised by this measure would provide sustainable funding for your fire department. The revenue will also provide response units designed to address our nonemergency, low risk, medical call volume, which exceeded 6,000 calls in 2018 and growing. This type of call volume impacts the readiness of emergency response units for emergency events. If the measure is not approved, Central Pierce Fire will have to prioritize and reduce service levels. If approved, this measure authorizes Central Pierce Fire & Rescue to *restore* the levy rate of \$1.00 per \$1,000 of assessed property value as approved by voters.

Statement For

Not A New Tax

A Yes Vote is *not a new tax*, but a re-authorization of the voter approved current state limited Fire levy of \$1 per 1000 A.V. This would be an estimated increase of \$3.98 a month on a \$305,000 home (tax assessed value).

Increasing Populations With Limited Resources

Central Pierce Fire and Rescue (CPF&R) provides fire suppression, emergency medical, property conservation and fire prevention to more than 250,000 residents and growing. In 2018, CPF&R responded to 30,259 incidents, an increase of 14.7% since 2011. Without Proposition 1 CPF&R will lose funding needed to keep up with growing populations, affecting the department's ability to provide lifesaving services.

Supported by Firefighters and Fire Commissioners

Professional Firefighters and the Board of Fire Commissioners determined this measure to be both necessary and essential for the protection of life and property. Thank you in advance for reauthorizing Proposition No. 1.

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Vote Yes Committee

Statement Against

No statement was
submitted against this issue.

Special Election - April 23, 2019

BALLOT DROP BOXES

OPEN 24/7 APRIL 5 - APRIL 23, 8 PM

FIRCREST

Fircrest City Hall
115 Ramsdell St

SUMMIT

Summit Library
5107 112th St E

PARKLAND/SPANAWAY

Parkland/Spanaway Library
13718 Pacific Ave S

TACOMA

72nd Street Transit
Center
1319 E 72nd St

Roy Y Park and Ride
SR 507 & Pacific Ave S

Pierce County Annex
2401 S 35th St

PUYALLUP/SOUTH HILL

Puyallup Library
324 South Meridian

Skookum Archers
11209 Shaw Rd E

South Hill Library
15420 Meridian E

The City of Fircrest and Central Pierce Fire & Rescue are participating in this election.

VOTING CENTER

OPEN APRIL 23, 7 AM - 8 PM

PIERCE COUNTY ELECTION CENTER

2501 S 35th St, Ste C, Tacoma

Services available:

- Marking tool for ballot — Large font, color contrast, and audible ballot options available.
- Replacement ballots — Lost, damaged, or miss-marked ballot replacements provided.
- Ballot drop off — In addition to our ballot drop boxes, the voting center has a secure ballot drop box available.
- Provisional ballots.
- Helpful election workers to assist you.

Using a Drop Box?

(No stamp required)
Drop off ballot by 8 PM
April 23, 2019.



Mailing your ballot?

(No stamp required)
Must be postmarked
by April 23, 2019.

We recommend mailing
no later than
April 19, 2019.



QUESTIONS?

NEED A REPLACEMENT BALLOT?

PierceCountyElections.org
pcelections@piercecountywa.gov
(253) 798-VOTE (8683) or (800) 446-4979

NEED TO REGISTER TO VOTE?

Registration deadline:

In person deadline (new Washington voters only)
is **April 15, 2019**.

You must be:

- A citizen of the United States.
- A legal resident of Washington.
- At least 18 years old by Election Day.
- Not under the authority of the Department of Corrections.

How to register:

- Online - PierceCountyElections.org
- In person - Pierce County Election Center.
- By mail - Call (253) 798-VOTE (8683) to request a form.



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