

Resolution

A RESOLUTION authorizing an increase in property tax revenue in both dollars and percentage for the current expense, road, conservation futures and medic one funds, and certifying to the assessor the total amount to be levied by the regular and road property tax levy, and identifying an amount of funds to be shifted from the road levy to the county current expense levy.

WHEREAS RCW 84.55.120 states that no increase in property tax revenue, other than that resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, may be authorized by the County legislative body, except by adoption of a resolution, pursuant to notice, specifically authorizing the increase in terms of both dollars and percentage; and

WHEREAS RCW 84.55.010 limits the annual increase of property taxes to one percent or the rate of inflation, whichever is less, in addition to any amount resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state-assessed property; and

WHEREAS the rate of inflation, as defined in RCW 84.55.005, is 1.553 percent; and

WHEREAS RCW 84.55.0101 provides that the County legislative authority may provide for the use of a limit factor of 101.0 percent; and

WHEREAS, RCW 36.40.090 and RCW 36.82.040 allows county government to collect two separate property tax levies through the county general levy and road levy; and

WHEREAS, at the option of the county legislative authority, some of the levy capacity of the road levy may be shifted to increase the county general levy pursuant to RCW 84.52.043(1); and

WHEREAS, a road levy shift enables the general operating budget of a county to receive additional operating revenues without increasing the total amount of property tax the county is entitled to receive, as funds are shifted from the road levy to the county general levy; and

WHEREAS the Thurston County Board of Commissioners has properly given notice of the public hearing held on November 21, 2017 to consider Thurston County's revenue sources, including increases in property tax revenues for the 2018 calendar year, pursuant to 84.55.120; and

WHEREAS Thurston County Board of Commissioners, after hearing and after duly considering all relevant evidence and testimony presented, has determined that Thurston County requires an increase in property tax revenue from the previous year, in addition to the increase resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, in

order to discharge the expected expenses and obligations of Thurston County and in its best interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Thurston County Board of Commissioners of Thurston County as follows:

1. An increase in the estimated General property tax levy is hereby authorized for the levy to be collected in the 2018 tax year. The dollar amount of the increase over the actual levy amount from the previous year shall be \$125,456.71 which is a percentage of increase of 0.330487% from the previous year; and
2. The total amount of the levy amounts to be collected in 2018 for the general property tax is \$38,817,152.96.
3. An increase in the estimated Roads property tax levy is hereby authorized for the levy to be collected in the 2018 tax year. The dollar amount of the increase over the actual levy amount from the previous year shall be \$126,033.65 which is a percentage of increase of 0.572166% from the previous year; and
4. The total amount of the levy amounts to be collected in 2018 for the road property tax is \$22,481,408.35.
5. The funds in the amount of \$1,500,000 shall be shifted from the road levy to the county general levy.
6. An increase in the estimated Medic One property tax levy is hereby authorized for the levy to be collected in the 2018 tax year. The dollar amount of the increase over the actual levy amount from the previous year shall be \$32,282.75 which is a percentage of increase of 0.307028% from the previous year; and
7. An increase in the estimated Conservation Futures property tax levy is hereby authorized for the levy to be collected in the 2018 tax year. The dollar amount of the increase over the actual levy amount from the previous year shall be \$4,083.74 which is a percentage of increase of 0.307083% from the previous year.
8. These increases are exclusive of additional revenue resulting from new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbines, solar, biomass, and geothermal facilities, and any increase in the value of state assessed property, any annexations that have occurred and refunds made.

ADOPTED: _____

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Thurston County, Washington

Clerk of the Board

Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JON TUNHEIM
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

Commissioner

By: _____
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Commissioner

Amounts may change after Public Hearing