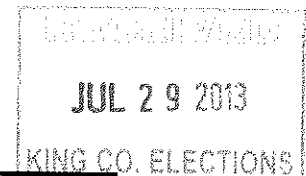


KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.44
32316 148TH AVE SE
Auburn, WA 98092



RESOLUTION NO 13-487

(MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS LEVY RCW 84.52.130)

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 44, PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE DISTRICT ON NOVEMBER 5, 2013, 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 \$650,000.00 PER YEAR FOR FOUR CONSECUTIVE YEARS BEGINNING IN 2013 WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY \$.31 PER \$1,000.00 OF TRUE AND ASSESSED VALUATION (BASED ON CURRENT ASSESSED VALUES), TO BE COLLECTED IN EACH SUCCEEDING YEAR TO PROVIDE FUNDS REQUIRED BY THE DISTRICT TO MAINTAIN THE EXISTING LEVEL OF SERVICE IN THE DISTRICT.

Background: 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 and life of the residents of the District that the fire and emergency medical services enumerated in this resolution be provided by the District. Because of the continued reduction of assessed values within the District and the corresponding decline in tax revenues, such services will necessitate the expenditure of revenues for maintenance and operations in excess of those that can be provided by the District's regular tax levy. The excess levy shall be in the amount of \$650,000.00 per year for four consecutive years beginning in 2013 for collection in 2014 and concluding with the 2016 levy to be collected in 2017

Resolution: NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 44, King County, Washington as follows:

Section 1. The cost of operating a fire department that provides fire prevention, fire protection and emergency medical services has increased because of the specialized equipment, personnel training and supplies now required by state and federal regulations. With the declining assessed values in the District, the District is not able to sustain service levels provided within the limitations of the District's regular tax levy. The District cannot maintain or improve its existing level of services without additional revenue.

Section 2. In order to provide revenue adequate to pay the costs of salaries, equipment and facilities necessary to maintain the District's level of service 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 2013 and each succeeding year for a period of

four years and collect in the year following the levy, a general tax on taxable property within the District, in excess of the regular levy for maintenance and operation costs, in the approximate amount of \$650,000.00 per year which is approximately \$.31 per \$1,000.00 of true and assessed valuation (based on current estimated assessed values).

Section 3. There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their approval or rejection, at the general election on November 5, 2013 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 requests the Auditor of King County, as ex-officio Supervisor of Elections, call such special election, and to submit the following proposition at such election, in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

PROPOSITION NO. 1
King County Fire Protection District No. 44
Levy of General Tax
for Maintenance and Operations

The Board of King County Fire Protection District No. 44 adopted Resolution No. ____ concerning a proposition to adequately finance maintenance and operation costs.

This proposition provides for the support of fire protection and emergency medical services, facilities, maintenance, staffing and operations by authorizing the District to levy excess taxes in the amount of \$650,000.00 per year for four consecutive years beginning in 2013 to be collected in each year following at an approximate levy rate of \$.31 per thousand of assessed valuation (the actual rate will be based on assessed values).

Should this proposition be approved?

YES . . .

NO . . .

Section 4. We request the proposition be included in the voters' pamphlet for this election.

Adoption: ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 44 on July 23, 2013 the following Commissioners being present and voting:

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

James Farrell, Chair

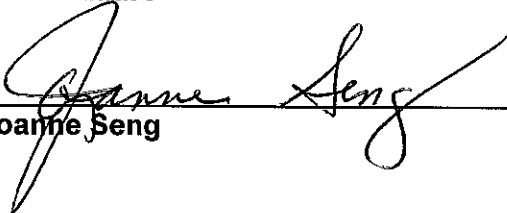
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