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CITY OF MARYSVILLE
Marysville, Washington

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE, WASHINGTON, SETTING THE REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE AND SERVICES ON ALL REAL, PERSONAL, AND UTILITY PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE, WASHINGTON FOR THE YEAR 2021.

WHEREAS, it is the judgment of the Marysville City Council that it is essential and necessary for the protection of the health and life of the residents of the City that emergency medical services be provided within the City. Such services will necessitate the expenditure of revenues for the maintenance, operations, equipment and personnel in excess of those which can be provided by the City's regular tax levy; and

WHEREAS, it would be in the public interest for the City of Marysville, by and through the Marysville Fire District, to provide basic and advanced life support services, and emergency medical transportation services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 84.52.069, a regular levy may be assessed for the purpose of funding emergency medical care and services; and

WHEREAS, November 14, 2016, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 3039 increasing the EMS property tax levy; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide emergency medical care and services ("EMS"), it is necessary that the City to obtain, operate and maintain emergency medical vehicles and facilities staffed by properly trained paramedics, emergency medical technicians and other medically trained personnel and to obtain consumable medical supplies and medical appliances to equip such vehicles and facilities; and

WHEREAS, In order to provide the revenue adequate to pay the cost of providing adequate emergency medical services and facilities as described above and to maintain reserve funds sufficient to assure the continuation of such services, the City should levy in 2017 for collection in 2018, and continuing for five years thereafter (2018 to 2023), a regular EMS tax levy on taxable property within the City, in an amount not to exceed fifty cents (\$0.50) per one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of assessed valuation of such property. RCW 84.52.069 authorizes this levy; and

WHEREAS, In accordance with RCW 84.52.069 the funds raised by such levy will be used only for the provision of emergency medical services, including related personnel costs,

training for such personnel, and related equipment, supplies, vehicle and structures needed for the provision of emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, In accordance with RCW 84.55.050, the limit factor by which the regular EMS tax levy may be increased in each of the five years subsequent to 2018 (2019 to 2023) should be one hundred ten percent (110%), but in no event may the levy rate exceed fifty cents (\$0.50) per one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of assessed valuation of such property; and

WHEREAS, on April 24, 2017, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2413 placing a measure on the ballot at the August 1, 2017, primary election regarding the EMS levy; and

WHEREAS, the City's voters approved the ballot measure; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has properly given notice of the public hearing held on November 12, 2019, to consider public comment on the levy for emergency medical care and services (EMS); and

WHEREAS, the population of the City of Marysville is more than 10,000; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marysville's actual EMS levy amount from the previous year was \$4,431,641.76

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The EMS property tax levy on taxable property within the City for collection in 2020, is fifty cents (\$0.50) per one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of assessed valuation of such property.

SECTION 2. The limit factor by which the regular EMS tax levy may be increased in each of the five years subsequent to 2018 (2019 to 2023) is one hundred ten percent (110%), but in no event may the levy rate exceed fifty cents (\$0.50) per one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of assessed valuation of such property

SECTION 3. That an increase in the EMS property tax levy on taxable property within the City is hereby authorized for the levy to be collected in the 2021 tax year. The dollar amount of the increase over the actual levy amount from the previous year shall be \$416,328 which is a percentage increase of 9.39% from the previous year.

This increase is 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.

SECTION 4. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality thereof shall not affect the validity or

constitutionality of any other section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this ordinance.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective five days after the date of its publication by summary.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this _____ day of _____, 2020.

CITY OF MARYSVILLE

By _____
JON NEHRING, MAYOR

Attest:

By _____
TINA BROCK, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

Approved as to form:

By _____
JON WALKER, CITY ATTORNEY

Date of publication: _____
Effective Date (5 days after publication): _____