

Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE AD VALOREM TAX AMOUNT AND THE AMOUNT OF INCREASE FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2023**

**WHEREAS**, the Olympia City Council held a public hearing on November 1, 2022, to consider the City of Olympia ad valorem tax levy for 2023 collections; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council, after the hearing and after duly considering all relevant evidence and testimony presented, has determined that the City of Olympia requires an increase in property tax revenue of \$86,229.84 from the previous year, which excludes any increase resulting from additions of new construction and improvements to property, any increase in the value of state-assessed property, and amounts authorized by law as a result of any annexations that have occurred and refunds made, in order to discharge the expected expenses and obligations of the City in its best interest; and

**WHEREAS**, the City issued bonds to pay for a Fire Station, Fire Training Facility, and Equipment, such bonds approved by voters in 2008; and

**WHEREAS**, although the City may wish to levy taxes for the year in an amount less than the maximum allowed under its legal levy limit, future levy capacity shall be protected as provided for in RCW 84.55.092, calculated in future years as though the maximum lawful levy amount allowed by the levy limit had been levied, as set forth in WAC 458-19-065; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is required to certify the amount to be raised by taxation on assessed valuation with the clerk of the county legislative authority by November 30, 2022;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** A levy is authorized to be collected in 2023, with an increase in the City's highest lawful levy of the statutory 1% for collections in 2023, resulting in a dollar amount increase of \$86,229.84 or 0.43312690% in the regular property tax levy from the previous year. This is exclusive of additional revenue resulting from new construction, improvements to property, any increase in the value of state assessed property, and any annexations that have occurred and refunds made. This levy will be used for the purpose of paying the general expenses of the City of Olympia municipal government and is calculated:

<b>CITY REGULAR HIGHEST LAWFUL LEVY FOR 2023 COLLECTIONS</b>	
2022 Est. Assessed Value (AV) for collections in 2023	\$ 11,822,825,673.00
2022 Highest Lawful Levy for Collections in 2023	\$ 19,796,939.34
Previous Year Actual Levy	\$ 19,908,678.89
Limit Factor of 1% on Highest Lawful Levy	\$ 19,994,908.73
<b>Dollar Increase from Last Year District Levy</b>	<b>\$ 86,229.84</b>
<b>Percent Increase from Last Year District Levy</b>	<b>0.43312690%</b>
Levy Rate to estimated AV excluding add-ons	\$ 1.6912
Legally allowed add-ons in addition to the 1% statutory limit	
New Construction	\$ 274,772.80
State Assessed Property (Estimate)	\$ 9,564.47
Refund Levy	\$ 88,755.23
<b>Total legally allowed add-ons</b>	<b>\$ 373,092.50</b>
<b>District Levy for Collections in 2022</b>	<b>\$ 20,368,001.24</b>
<b>Percent Increase Including add-ons</b>	<b>2.307146294%</b>
Levy Rate to estimated AV including add-ons	\$ 1.72276931

**Section 2.** A voter approved excess levy is authorized to be collected in 2023 to pay debt service on bonds issued to fund fire facilities and equipment. The voters approved the excess levy in 2008 and bonds issued in 2009. The levy for collections in 2023 is \$1,055,983.85, which includes a refund levy of \$7,483.85 as shown below:

Excess Levy (Fire Station Bonds)	\$1,048,500.00
Administrative Refund Levy, Excess Levy	\$7,483.85
Subtotal Excess Levy	<u>\$1,055,983.85</u>

**Section 3.** On or before November 30, 2022, the City shall file with the Clerk of the Thurston County Board of Commissioners a certified estimate of the total amount to be raised by the ad valorem tax levied herein on property within the City of Olympia.

**Section 4. Severability.** If any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance or application of the provisions to other persons or circumstances shall remain unaffected.

**Section 5. Ratification.** Any act consistent with the authority and prior to the effective date of this Ordinance is hereby ratified and affirmed.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall take effect five (5) days after passage and publication, as provided by law.

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MAYOR

**ATTEST:**

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CITY CLERK

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

Mark Barber  
CITY ATTORNEY

**PASSED:**

**APPROVED:**

**PUBLISHED:**