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AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE AD VALOREM TAX AMOUNT AND THE AMOUNT OF INCREASE FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2019

WHEREAS, the Olympia City Council held a public hearing on November 13, 2018, to consider the City of Olympia ad valorem tax levy for 2019 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 from the previous year, in addition to the increase resulting from additions of new construction and improvements to property, areas added by annexation, and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, 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, the City has a need for an additional \$241,177 for public safety, law enforcement, policy training and recruitment, code enforcements, mental health, and Community Court service; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia has been advised by the Thurston County Treasurer that the City of Olympia is eligible for a refund levy of \$154,994.11 related to the general levy; and

WHEREAS, the City of Olympia has been advised by the Thurston County Treasurer that the City of Olympia is eligible for a refund levy of \$13,639.05 related to the Fire Station bond levy; and

WHEREAS, although the City wishes 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.

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

Section 1. A \$415,152.69 increase in the regular property tax levy is hereby authorized for levy amounts to be collected in 2019, which is an increase of 2.3862684% 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.

Section 2. There is hereby fixed as the amount of property tax collections necessary to raise an amount equal to the estimated expenditures less the total estimated revenue from all sources other than ad valorem taxation, the following sum:

OLYMPIA		AMOUNT	
General Expense Levy (Regular Property Tax Levy)	\$18,028,950.68		
Administrative Refund Levy, General Expense Levy	154,994.11		
Subtotal General Expense Levy		\$18,183,944.79	
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Excess Levy (Fire Station Bonds)		\$1,173,399.95	
Administrative Refund Levy, Excess Levy		13,639.05	
Subtotal Excess Levy		\$1,187,039.00	
Grand Total		\$19,390,983.79	
Section 3. On or before the 30th day of November 2018, the County Board of Commissioners a certified estimate of the nerein on property within the City of Olympia.			
ADOPTED THIS day of November 2018.			
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