



# Whatcom County

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## Agenda Bill Master Report

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**TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:**

Ordinance Limiting the 2022 General Fund Property Tax Levy

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:**

Requests authorization to limit the County general levy to the amount of 2021 taxes, increased for the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state assessed property.

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**HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE**

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<b>Date:</b>	<b>Acting Body:</b>	<b>Action:</b>	<b>Sent To:</b>
11/09/2021	Council	INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING	Council
		Aye: 6 Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, and Frazey	
		Nay: 0	
		Absent: 1 Kershner	
11/23/2021	Council	ADOPTED	
		Aye: 7 Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner	
		Nay: 0	
		Absent: 0	

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**Attachments:** Proposed Ordinance

PROPOSED BY: Executive  
INTRODUCTION DATE: November 09, 2021

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-076

**ORDINANCE LIMITING THE 2022  
GENERAL FUND PROPERTY TAX LEVY**

**WHEREAS**, the County Council has approved a budget for the 2021-2022 biennium, including all sources of revenues and anticipated expenditures on November 24, 2020; and


**WHEREAS**, the County Council, in the course of considering the mid-biennium review and modification has reviewed all sources of revenue and examined all anticipated expenses and obligations; and,

**WHEREAS**, the County Council has determined it is not necessary to increase the General Fund property tax levy for 2022; and,

**WHEREAS**, the County Council has held public hearings regarding the county biennial budget and mid-biennium review, which included property tax revenues, and other revenues;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED** by the Whatcom County Council that amounts collected through the County general levy shall be limited to the amount of 2021 taxes, increased for the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state assessed property. A property tax increase in addition to the amount resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state-assessed property is hereby authorized for the 2022 levy in the amount of \$0, which is a percentage increase of 0% from the previous year.


**ADOPTED** this 23rd day of November, 2021

ATTEST  
  
Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Approved by email/C Quinn/M Caldwell  
Civil Deputy Prosecutor

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

APPROVED ( ) NOT APPROVED

  
Satpal Singh Sidhu, Executive

Date: 11/24/21