

Whatcom County

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Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, and Kershner Aye: 5

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Absent: 2 Browne, and Frazey

Attachments:

Proposed Resolution, Tax Certification Letter

PROPOSED BY: <u>CLERK OF THE COUNCIL</u> INTRODUCED: DECEMBER 22, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-061

CERTIFYING WHATCOM COUNTY'S PROPERTY TAX LEVIES FOR COLLECTION IN 2022 TO THE COUNTY ASSESSOR

WHEREAS, on December 2, 2021, the Whatcom County Council approved Resolution 2021-055, certifying amounts to be levied by Whatcom County taxing districts to the County Assessor; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2021-055 did not include amounts to be levied by Whatcom County government; and

WHEREAS, the Council now has the information it needs to certify amounts for the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of RCW 84.52.070, it is the duty of the Whatcom County Council to certify to the County Assessor the amount of taxes levied upon the property in the County for County purposes and the respective amounts of taxes levied by the board for each city, town and taxing district within or coextensive with Whatcom County in 2021, for city, town, or district purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Whatcom County Council hereby certifies to the Whatcom County Assessor the respective amounts of taxes levied by Whatcom County as outlined in Exhibit A to this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in making such certification the Council is relying on information provided by the Whatcom County Finance Department and adopted by Council through various ordinances.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, should the valuation change significantly, the County Assessor, with permission of the taxing district, is hereby authorized to adjust the amount of taxes levied, upon written notification to the Whatcom County Council.

APPROVED this 22nd day of December , 2021.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/ Christopher Quinn (approved via e-mail) /ីៗL

Civil Deputy Prosecutor

EXHIBIT A

Below please find the property tax levies to be certified. The ordinances and resolutions authorizing the levying taxes are as noted below. All were adopted on November 23, 2021, with the exception of the Conservation Futures Levy, which was adopted on December 7, 2021.

DISTRICT	REGULAR LEVY	REFUND AMT. INCLUDED	Ord / Res#
General Fund	\$32,180,104.56	\$78,464.04	ORD#2021-075
Road Fund	\$20,910,735.72	\$44,300.70	ORD#2021-074
Countywide EMS Fund	\$8,598,361.36	NA	ORD#2021-073
Flood Control District	\$5,124,695.99	\$9,844.48	RES#2021-052
Conservation Futures Fund	\$1,290,003.64	\$2,289.96	ORD#2021-085