

# **Whatcom County**

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## **Agenda Bill Master Report**

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### **TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:**

Ordinance limiting the 2020 General Fund tax levy

# **SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:**

The proposed ordinance limits the 2020 General Fund property tax levy and establishes a new maximum allowable property tax levy

### HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:			Action:	Sent To:
11/19/2019	Council			INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING	Council
		Aye:	6	Brenner, Browne, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey	, and Sidhu
		Nay:	0		
		Absent:	1	Buchanan	
12/03/2019	Council			ADOPTED	
		Aye:	4	Browne, Buchanan, Frazey, and Sidhu	
		Nay:	2	Brenner, and Byrd	
		Absent:	0		
		Ahstain <sup>.</sup>	1	Donovan	

PROPOSED BY: Executive INTRODUCTION DATE: November 6, 2019

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

## ORDINANCE LIMITING THE 2020 GENERAL FUND PROPERTY TAX LEVY

WHEREAS, the County Council has approved a budget for the 2019–2020 biennium, including all sources of revenues and anticipated expenditures on November 20, 2018; 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 2020,

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 2019 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 2020 levy in the amount of \$0, which is a percentage increase of 0% from the previous year.

ADOPTED this 3rd day of December	, 2019
ATTEST: COUNTY	WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON
Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk	Rud Brown, Council Chair
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	APPROVED () NOT APPROVED
Éivil Deputy Prosecutor	Jack Louws, Executive
	Date: 2.6.19