

Whatcom County

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Agenda Bill Master Report

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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Ordinance authorizing the levy of taxes for Conservation Futures purposes for 2020

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

The proposed ordinance adopts the Whatcom County 2020 tax levy for Conservation Futures

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:			Action: Sent To:
11/06/2019	Council			INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC Council HEARING
		Aye:	7	Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Sidhu
		Nay:	0	
		Absent:	0	
11/19/2019	Council			ADOPTED
		Aye:	6	Brenner, Browne, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Sidhu
		Nay:	0	
		Absent:	1	Buchanan

PROPOSED BY: Executive INTRODUCTION DATE: November 6, 2019

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-076 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR CONSERVATION FUTURES PURPOSES FOR 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Home Rule Charter Section 6.10 the County Executive is required to submit for Council consideration a budget and proposed tax and revenue ordinances necessary to raise sufficient revenues to balance the budget; and,

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 Conservation Futures Fund property tax levy for 2020,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED by the Whatcom County Council that amounts collected through the County Conservation Futures 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.