

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 road purposes for 2021

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

The proposed ordinance adopts the Whatcom County 2021 tax levy for road purposes

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:			Action:	Sent To:	
11/10/2020	Council			INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING	Council	
		Aye:	6	Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner		
		Nay:	1	Elenbaas		
		Absent:	0			
11/24/2020	Council			ADOPTED		
		Aye:	7	Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Fraz	zey, Elenbaas, and Kershner	
		Nay:	0			
		Absent:	0			

Proposed Ordinance Attachments:

PROPOSED BY: <u>Executive</u> INTRODUCTION DATE: November 10, 2020

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-067 ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF 2021 PROPERTY TAXES FOR COUNTY ROAD PURPOSES

WHEREAS, pursuant to Home Rule Charter Section 6.10 the County Executive is required to submit for Council consideration 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 2021-2022 biennium, including all sources of revenues and anticipated expenditures on November 24, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the County Council has determined it is not necessary to increase the Road Fund property tax levy for 2021; and,

WHEREAS, the County Council held a public hearing regarding the county biennial budget which included property tax revenues, and other revenues;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED by the Whatcom County Council that the amounts collected through the County Road levy shall be limited to the amount of 2020 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 2021 levy in the amount of \$0, which is a percentage increase of 0% from the previous year.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED, that the Whatcom County Council does hereby authorize diverting \$806,530 of the County Road District levy for the budget year 2021 to the General Fund. Diverted County Road Taxes are to be used for traffic law enforcement in the unincorporated areas of Whatcom County.

ADOPTED this 24th day of	November	, 2020.
ATTESTCOUNTY		WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON
Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk		Barry Buchanan, Council Chair
APPROVED-AS TO FORM:		APPROVED () NOT APPROVED
C. Quinn per email 10/30/2020 Civil Deputy Prosecutor		Satpal Singh Sidhu, Executive
		Date: 11/30/2020