



ORDINANCE NO. 28546

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to property tax levies; authorizing an increase in terms
2 of both dollars and percentage for the 2019 Emergency Medical Services
property tax levy.

3 WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120, the City is requesting an increase
4 in the amount collected from the 2019 Tacoma Emergency Medical Services
5 (“EMS”) property tax levy, and

6 WHEREAS it is necessary to identify the amount of estimated revenues
7 from property tax levies to match the estimated expenditures for debt service and
8 other funding requirements, and

9 WHEREAS EMS property tax levies are limited by the lesser amount
10 calculated by RCW 84.55.010, to an increase of 1 percent on the highest levy
11 since 1985, or by RCW 84.52.069, to \$0.50 per \$1,000 of assessed property
12 value in the taxing district, and

13 WHEREAS the assessed values for 2019 are high enough for the EMS
14 levy to be set based on a 1 percent increase over the highest levy since 1985,
15 rather than the maximum rate of \$0.50 per \$1,000, and

16 WHEREAS the 2019 levy is limited to \$10,767,464.62, a 1 percent
17 increase over the highest levy of \$10,660,856.06 in 2018, which represents a
18 0.4822067 percent and \$51,672.27 increase over the previous year’s actual levy
19 of \$10,715,792.35, exclusive of additional revenue derived from new construction,
20 improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbines, any annexations that
21 have occurred and administrative refunds made, and any increase in the value of
22 state-assessed property, and
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WHEREAS the current assessed values in the EMS property tax boundary total \$26,529,656,708, and, due to statutory requirements, limits the 2019 collectible levy to a 0.4822067 percent and \$51,672.27 increase from the previous year's actual levy, and

WHEREAS the population of the district is more than 10,000; Now, Therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:

That the 2019 EMS property tax levy is hereby authorized to increase by 0.4822067 percent and \$51,672.27 from the previous year's actual levy of \$10,715,792.35, exclusive of the increase due to new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbines, any annexations that have occurred and administrative refunds made, and any increases in the value of state-assessed property.

Passed _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney