



ORDINANCE NO. 28715

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to property tax levies; authorizing an increase for the
2 2021 Emergency Medical Services property tax levy in terms of both
3 dollars and percentage.

4 WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120, the City is requesting an increase
5 in the amount collected for the 2021 Tacoma Emergency Medical Services
6 (“EMS”) property tax levy, and

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

10 WHEREAS this ordinance will allow the EMS levy to be set at the highest
11 allowable amount of \$11,491,547.30, which is a 0.61343 percent increase,
12 representing a \$70,062.80 increase over the previous year’s actual levy of
13 \$11,421,484.54, exclusive of additional revenue derived from new construction,
14 improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbines, any annexations that
15 may have occurred and administrative refunds made, and any increase in the
16 value of state-assessed property, and

17 WHEREAS the assessed values in the EMS property tax boundary have
18 increased since 2012, with the current valuation at \$32,427,559,048, and

19 WHEREAS the current EMS levy rate is \$0.3597 per \$1,000 in assessed
20 value, which is lower than the maximum of \$0.50 per \$1,000, and the revenue
21 amount proposed is consistent with revenues budgeted in 2020, and

22 WHEREAS the population of the City of Tacoma is more than 10,000;

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:

That the 2021 Emergency Medical Services property tax levy is hereby authorized to increase by 0.61343 percent and \$70,062.80 from the previous year's actual levy of \$11,421,484.54, 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