



## ORDINANCE NO. 28855

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to property tax levies; fixing the amount of the  
2 Emergency Medical Services levy necessary to identify the amount of  
3 the estimated revenues from the property tax levy to match estimated  
4 expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements.

4 WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 84.52.020 and RCW 84.52.070, the City of  
5 Tacoma is requesting property taxes for Emergency Medical Services (“EMS”) in  
6 the amount as described below and as certified to Pierce County, and

7 WHEREAS property tax levies are limited by RCW 84.55.0101, to an  
8 increase of 1 percent on the highest levy since 1985, and by RCW 84.52.069, to  
9 \$0.50 per \$1,000 of assessed property value in the taxing district, and

10 WHEREAS the 2023 levy is limited to \$12,073,041.41, exclusive of the  
11 amount derived from new construction and improvements to property,  
12 newly constructed wind turbines, any increase in the value of state assessed  
13 utility property, and

14 WHEREAS the City anticipates that it can collect an additional  
15 \$180,476.60 due to the value of new construction, \$15,594.66 in changed in  
16 assessed valuation, and \$22,453.51 in a refund levy, and

17 WHEREAS the total estimated property tax of \$12,291,566.18 is  
18 consistent with the property tax projected in the 2023-2024 Proposed Budget,  
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20 WHEREAS jurisdictions with populations of 10,000 or greater are limited  
21 to increasing the City’s levy by the lower of 1 percent or the rate of inflation, and  
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the implicit price deflator used to measure inflation is 6.457 percent; Now,

1 Therefore,

2 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:

3 Section 1. That the City of Tacoma hereby certifies to Pierce County the  
4 total levy for Emergency Medical Services in the amount of \$12,291,566.18,  
5 exclusive of the amount derived from new construction, improvements to property,  
6 newly constructed wind turbines, any increase in the value of state-assessed utility  
7 property, and any annexations that have occurred and refunds made, to be  
8 collected in 2023.  
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11 Section 2. That the taxes herein provided for are levied to match the  
12 estimated expenditures for debt service and other funding requirements and are  
13 hereby levied upon all the real and personal property as shown by the assessment  
14 in Pierce County ("County") as finally and hereafter fixed by the County and State  
15 Board of Equalization, and as finally extended upon the books of the County  
16 Assessor showing the property within said City, subject to taxation for municipal  
17 purposes and upon the amount of said real and personal property in accordance  
18 with certified assessed valuation of all taxable property within the City of Tacoma as  
19 fixed in 2022 for collection in 2023, as provided by the Pierce County Assessor.  
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22 Section 3. That the taxes collected from the levy hereby fixed and made,  
23 together with the estimated revenues from sources other than Ad Valorem taxation,  
24 which will constitute the appropriations of the City for the fiscal year 2023, are  
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1 hereby available for appropriation, all as itemized and classified in the Biennial  
2 Budget for the fiscal years 2023-2024, as adopted, pursuant to the laws of the state  
3 of Washington.  
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Mayor

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City Clerk

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Approved as to form:

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Deputy City Attorney

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