



ORDINANCE NO. 28915

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

3 WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120, the City is requesting an increase
4 in the amount collected in 2023 for the Tacoma Emergency Medical Services
5 in the amount collected in 2023 for the 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 authorize the property tax levy to be collected
11 in the 2024 tax year to be set at the highest allowable amount over last year’s
12 actual levy of \$12,073,041.41, which is a 74.27204 percent increase, representing
13 a \$9,089,651.14 increase over the previous year’s actual levy, and

14 WHEREAS the large increase is due to the recent levy of \$0.50 per \$1,000
15 assessed property value, approved by voters in August 2023, and

16 WHEREAS this ordinance will allow the EMS levy to be set at
17 \$21,327,972.68, the highest allowable amount under statutory rate limitation, and
18 an additional \$527.32 due to change in state assessed valuation for a total
19 Emergency Medical Services property tax of \$21,328,500.00, and

20 WHEREAS the assessed values in the EMS property tax boundary have
21 increased since 2012, with the current valuation at \$42,655,945,369.00, and
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1 WHEREAS the current EMS levy rate is \$0.50 per \$1,000 in assessed
 2 value, and the revenue amount proposed is consistent with revenues budgeted
 3 in 2024, and

4 WHEREAS the population of the City of Tacoma is more than 10,000;
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 6 Now, Therefore,

7 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TACOMA:

8 That the Emergency Medical Services property tax levy for collection in
 9 2024 is hereby authorized to increase by 74.27204 percent and \$9,089,651.14
 10 from the previous year's actual levy of \$12,238,321.54, with an additional \$527.32
 11 from a change in state assessed valuation for a total of \$21,385,500.00.

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 Mayor

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 City Clerk

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 23 Interim City Attorney

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