

SOUTH SNOHOMISH COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION NO. 03202018-03

RESOLUTION TO IMPOSE EMS LEVY

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Fire Commissioners (the "Board") of South Snohomish County Fire & Rescue Regional Fire Authority ("SSCFR") providing for the submission to the voters of SSCFR at an election to be held therein on August 7, 2018, in conjunction with the State primary election to be held on the same day, a proposition to impose a ten year Emergency Medical Services Levy ("EMS Levy") at a levy rate of fifty cents (\$.50) or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation in addition to its regular property tax levy, to be levied each year beginning in 2018 and to be collected in each year succeeding the year of the levy to provide funds required by SSCFR to enable SSCFR to continue to provide emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, it is the judgment of the Board of Commissioners of SSCFR that it is essential and necessary for the protection of the health and life of the residents of SSCFR that emergency medical services continue to be provided by SSCFR. Such services will necessitate the expenditure of revenues for maintenance, operations, equipment, and personnel in excess of those which can be provided by SSCFR's regular tax levy; and

WHEREAS, effective upon formation of SSCFR, the EMS levies of Snohomish County Fire District No. 1 ("District") and the City of Lynnwood ("City") have continued, with tax revenue from such funds being passed through to SSCFR; and

WHEREAS, the EMS levies of the City and District are not equivalent; and

WHEREAS, it is more efficient and equitable for SSCFR to levy an EMS levy throughout the RFA's jurisdiction that would replace the EMS levies of the District and City; and

WHEREAS, SSCFR desires to impose a 10 year EMS Levy in order to continue providing excellent emergency medical services.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of SSCFR as follows:

Section 1. In order to provide the revenue adequate to pay the costs of providing adequate life protection services and facilities, SSCFR shall levy each year for a period of ten consecutive years beginning in 2018, and collect each year for a period of ten consecutive years beginning in 2019, a general tax on taxable property within the District, in addition to the regular levy for maintenance and operation costs, in an amount not to exceed \$.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation of such property.

Section 2. In accordance with RCW 84.52.069, the funds raised by such levy shall be used only for the provision of emergency medical services, including related personnel costs, training

for such personnel and related equipment, supplies, vehicles, and structures needed for the provision of emergency medical services.

Section 3. Ballot Title And Proposition. Pursuant to RCW 84.52.069 and 29A.36.210, the Snohomish County Prosecuting Attorney is requested to prepare the concise description of the aforesaid proposition for the ballot title in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

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**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
PROPERTY TAX LEVY**

Will South Snohomish County Fire & Rescue Regional Fire Authority be authorized to impose a regular property tax levy of \$0.50 or less per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for each of ten consecutive years, beginning in 2018, and for such levy to replace the existing EMS levies of the city of Lynnwood and Fire District 1 to provide funding for emergency medical services?

YES..... []
NO..... []

Section 4. Certification. The Secretary of SSCFR is directed (a) to certify to the Auditor a copy of this Resolution No. 30202018-03 showing its adoption by the Board at least fifty-two (52) days prior to the date of such general election; and (b) to perform such other duties as are necessary and required by law in submitting to the voters of SSCFR at the aforesaid election the foregoing proposition.

Section 5. Implementation. The Fire Chief of SSCFR is authorized to implement such administrative procedures as may be necessary to carry out the directives of this legislation.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon passage and signatures hereon.

ADOPTED by the Board of Fire Commissioners of South Snohomish County Fire & Rescue Regional Fire Authority, at an open public meeting thereof this 20th day of March, 2018, of which notice was given in the manner provided by law, and the following Commissioners being present and voting.

SOUTH SNOHOMISH COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE
REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY


Commissioner James Kenny


Commissioner James McGaughey


Commissioner Richard Schrock


Commissioner David Chan


Commissioner Robert Meador


Commissioner Ben Goodwin


Commissioner Christine Frizzell

ATTEST:

Melissa Blankenship, RFA Executive Assistant

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, Secretary of South Snohomish County Fire & Rescue Regional Fire Authority, hereby certify as follows:

1. The attached copy of Resolution No. 03202018-03 (the "Resolution") is a full, true, and correct copy of the Resolution duly adopted at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of South Snohomish County Fire & Rescue Regional Fire Authority (the "Board") held on March 20th, 2018, as the Resolution appears on the minute books of the Fire Authority and the Resolution is now in full force and effect.
2. A quorum of the members of the Board was present throughout the meeting and a majority of those members on the Board present voted in the proper manner for the adoption of the Resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of March, 2018.



District Secretary

South Snohomish County Fire & Rescue Regional Fire Authority