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ORDINANCE NO. 2013.04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF WILKESON, PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE VOTERS A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN TO REPLACE THE EXISTING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROGRAM LEVY OF \$0.25 PER \$1,000.00 OF ASSESSED VALUE WITH A LEVY AT THE RATE OF \$0.50 PER \$1,000.00 OF ASSESSED VALUE.

Whereas, the citizens of the Town of Wilkeson have authorized a property tax levy of \$0.25 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value for the purposes of funding an Emergency Medical Services program, and

Whereas, RCW 84.52.069(5) authorizes an EMS Excess Property Tax Levy to be used only for the provision of emergency medical care or emergency medical resources including related personnel costs, training for such personnel, and related equipment, supplies, vehicles and structures needed for the provisions of emergency medical care of emergency medical services, and

Whereas, RCW 84.52.069(2) authorizes an EMS Excess Property Tax Levy of up to \$0.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value for a duration of six years, and

Whereas, the purposes of funding the Town's EMS levy at \$0.50 per \$1,000.00 assessed value is to provide enhanced health, safety and welfare of the Town's citizens, and

Whereas, the levy increase request would replace the current \$0.25 per \$1,000.00 assessed value with a \$0.50 per \$1,000.00 assessed valuation levy, and

Whereas, the vote would occur during the general election on November 5, 2013.

Now, therefore, the Town Council of the Town of Wilkeson, Pierce County, Washington do ordain as follows:

Section 1: The Town Council hereby declares that a need exists requiring the calling of an election by the County Auditor of Pierce County, Supervisor for Elections, to

conduct an election in the Town of Wilkeson in the manner provided by law for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the Town of Wilkeson for their approval or rejection a question of whether a tax levy should be made upon all taxable property within the limits of the Town of Wilkeson at the rate of \$0.50 per \$1,000.00 assessed value, to replace the current levy of \$0.25 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value. The election to be held on the 5th day of November, 2013.

The proceeds of the tax levy are to be used for the sole purpose of providing for the operation and maintenance of an Emergency Medical Program in the Town of Wilkeson. If the proposition passes, it will take effective January 1, 2014 and expire on December 31, 2017. Further, if the proposition passes the previous levy amount of \$0.25 per \$1,000.00 assessed valuation shall expire simultaneously with the beginning of the increased levy amount.

Section 2: The ballot title of the proposition shall be as follows:

Proposition No. 1

The Town of Wilkeson adopted Ordinance No. 2013.04 concerning a proposition to increase the Town's current EMS levy to a maximum amount for emergency services. Shall the Town of Wilkeson be authorized to impose an increase of the regular property tax levy from \$0.25 per \$1,000.00 assessed valuation to \$0.50 per \$1,000.00 assessed valuation for the remaining four years of the six consecutive year levy that began in 2012 to provide funding for emergency medical services?

LEVY INCREASE – YES

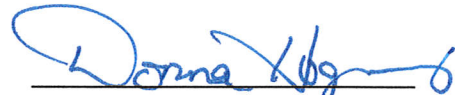
LEVY INCREASE – NO

Section 3: The Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to certify the said proposition to the Supervisor of Elections for Pierce County, Washington forthwith as provided by law.

Section 4: The County Supervisor of Elections is hereby authorized, directed and empowered to cause notice of such election to be given for the time and in the manner and form required by the laws of the State of Washington, and the ordinances of the Town of Wilkeson, and to take necessary steps to bring about and carry out such election.

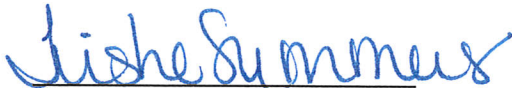
Section 5: If any provision of this Ordinance is determined to invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain in force and effect.

Section 6: This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days from and after its passage, approval and publication as required by law.




Mayor Donna Hogerhuis
INTRODUCED 7-29-13
PASSED 7-29-13
APPROVED 7-29-13
PUBLISHED 8-6-13

Attested:



Trisha Summers
Town Clerk

Approved as to form:



Michael J. Reynolds
Town Attorney

Town of Wilkeson
Special Election – Proposition No. 1
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Resolution Requested By: Mayor

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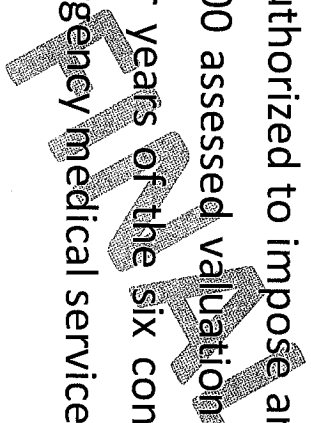
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