

SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 5

RESOLUTION NO. 17-1

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF LEVY

(GENERAL ELECTION)

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 5 PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT AT THE GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 7, 2017, OF A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING A LEVY OF A PROPERTY TAX NOT TO EXCEED \$1.48 PER 1,000 OF TRUE AND ASSESSED VALUATION SUBJECT TO OTHERWISE APPLICABLE STATUTORY LIMITATIONS.

Background: WHEREAS, it is the judgement of the Board of Commissioners of the District that it is essential and necessary for the protection of the health and life of the residents of the District that fire and emergency services be provided by the District.

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners has determined that accelerated demands for, and increasing cost of, providing such services will necessitate the expenditures of revenue for station construction, maintenance, operations, equipment and personnel in excess of those which can be provided by the District's regular tax revenue levied at the current rate of approximately \$1.01 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation of taxable property within the District as limited by the 101% limitation.

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners has determined that is in the best interest of the District that the maximum allowable levy authorized by this Resolution serve as the levy base for purposes of applying the limit factor established By RCW 84.55.010 for the next 15 years.

Resolution: NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 5, Spokane County, Washington as follows:

Section 1. In order to provide fire protection, prevention and emergency medical services in the District, it is necessary for the District to obtain operate and maintain emergency fire and medical aid vehicles and facilities staffed by properly trained personnel equipped with suitable firefighting and emergency medical equipment.

Section 2. In order to provide the revenue adequate to pay the cost of maintaining and providing adequate such services, the District shall, in accordance with RCW 84.55.050, remove the limitation on regular property taxes imposed by RCW 84.55.010, and levy beginning in 2017 and collection beginning in 2018, pursuant to RCW 52.16.130, RCW 52.16.140 and RCW52.16.160, a general tax on taxable property within the District at a rate of \$1.48 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation subject to otherwise applicable statutory limits.

Section 3. The amount levied in 2017 shall serve as the District's tax levy base for purposes of applying the limit factor established by RCW 84.55.010 for 15 years.

Section 4. There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection, at the general election on November 7, 2017, the question of whether or not the property tax levy of the district should be raised to \$1.48 per \$1000.00 of true and assessed valuation, subject to otherwise applicable statutory limitations. The Board of Commissioners hereby requests the auditor of Spokane County, as ex-officio Supervisor of Elections, submit the following proposition to the general election, in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

SPOKANE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No. 5 – BOARD OF COMISSIONERS

Proposition to Increase Property Tax Levy

The Spokane County Fire Protection District No.5 Board of Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 17-1 concerning a proposition to maintain and adequately fund District operations.

This proposition would increase the Districts regular tax levy to \$1.48 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation in 2017 for collection in 2018. These funds will maintain and improve fire protection and emergency medical services, replace apparatus, equipment, construct a fire house, and provide for firefighter safety. The maximum allowable levy in 2017 shall serve as the base for computing subsequent levy limitations as provided by chapter 84.55 RCW for 15 years.


Should this proposition be:


Approved

Rejected

Approved by the Board of Commissioners of Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 5 Spokane County, Washington, at the regular scheduled monthly meeting which is open to the public of such board on the 17th day of July, the following Commissioners being present and voting.


Signed by David L Clouse, Chairman


Signed by Bonita M. COBB, Vice-Chairman


Signed by Isla J. Durham



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