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Submitting Agency: West Valley School District

Subject of Ballot Title: WVPD EPO/WVPD Capital Projects

Date of Election: 1/21/21  Date Submitted: 12/7/21

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RESOLUTION NO. 20-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 363, SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON, PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT AT A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD THEREIN ON FEBRUARY 9, 2021, OF THE PROPOSITION OF WHETHER EXCESS TAXES SHOULD BE LEVIED OF $7,574,504 IN 2021 FOR COLLECTION IN 2022, $8,142,592 IN 2022 FOR COLLECTION IN 2023, $8,753,286 IN 2023 FOR COLLECTION IN 2024, SAID EXCESS TAXES TO REPLACE EXPIRING TAXES AND TO PAY COSTS OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS SUPPORT OF THE DISTRICT NOT FUNDED BY THE STATE.

WHEREAS, West Valley School District No. 363, of Spokane County, Washington (hereinafter referred to as the “District”), is a duly incorporated first-class school district operating under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, for the past three (3) years the District has had in effect an educational programs operations levy in order to enable the District to pay for educational programs and services, including staffing for programs, professional learning, athletics and extracurricular activities, classroom materials and textbooks, and additional course offerings and early learning not funded by the State of Washington (the “State”); and

WHEREAS, the current educational programs and operations levies expire in 2021; and

WHEREAS, the money in and to be paid into the General Fund of the District during the 2021-2022, 2022-2023, 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years will be insufficient to enable the District to pay for necessary educational programs and operations and to properly meet the educational needs of the students attending District schools; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington require that the question of whether or not such excess taxes may be levied must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 363, SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1: Findings and Determination. The Board of Directors (the “Board”) of the District makes the following findings and determinations:

A. Calendar year 2021 is the last year of collection of the District’s current three-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy, which was authorized pursuant to Resolution No. 17-12, adopted by the Board on November 8, 2017, and approved by the voters at a special election held and conducted within the District on February 13, 2018.

B. With the expiration of the District’s current two-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy, it appears certain that the money in the District’s General Fund for the school years 2021-2022, 2022-2023, 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 will be insufficient to permit the District to meet the educational needs of its students and pay essential expenses of educational programs and operation support not funded by the State of Washington, all as set forth in Section 5 of this resolution, during such school years, and that it is necessary that a replacement excess tax levy of $7,574,504, said levy to be made in 2021 for collection in 2022; $8,142,592, said levy to be made in 2022 for collection in 2023; and $8,753,286, said levy to be made in 2023 for collection in 2024 for the District’s General Fund to provide the money required to meet those expenses. The District’s proposed three-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy authorized in this resolution provides for approximately the same educational programs and operation purposes as the District’s expiring three-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy.
C. Pursuant to Article VII, Section 2(a) of the Washington Constitution and RCW 84.52.053, the District may submit to its voters at a special election, for their approval or rejection, a proposition authorizing the District to levy annual excess property taxes for support of the District’s essential educational programs and operation expenses.

D. The District will submit its educational programs and operations tax levy expenditure plan to the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) pursuant to RCW 28A.505.240 and RCW 84.52.053(4) and the District anticipates approval of the levy expenditure plan by OSPI prior to the submittal of the ballot proposition authorized in this resolution to the District’s voters. A copy of the approved plan will be on file with the District after approval by OSPI.

Section 2: Approval of Form of Ballot. It is hereby found and declared that the best interests of the District require the submission to the qualified electors of the District of the proposition of whether or not the District shall levy such excess tax for their ratification or rejection at a special election to be held therein on February 9, 2021.

Spokane County Elections, as *ex officio* supervisor of elections in Spokane County, Washington, is hereby requested to call and conduct said special election to be held within the District on said date and to submit to the qualified electors of the District the proposition substantially in the form hereinafter set forth. Pursuant to RCW 29A.36.071, the Spokane County Prosecuting Attorney is requested to prepare the concise description of said proposition for the ballot title in substantially the following form:
PROPOSITION NO. 1
WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 363
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS REPLACEMENT LEVY

The Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 20-09 concerning a proposition to fund educational programs and operation expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, to replace an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for support of educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State:

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all as provided in Resolution No. 20-09 and subject to legal limits on levy amounts and rates at the time of the levy. Should this proposition be approved?

EPO LEVY – YES................................ [ ]
EPO LEVY – NO.................................. [ ]

The Secretary of the Board of Directors of the District is hereby directed to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to Spokane County Elections and to the Spokane County Prosecuting Attorney.

Section 3. **Voters’ Pamphlet.** Pursuant to authority granted by RCW 29A.32.220, the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the District’s participation in the local voters’ pamphlet for the February 9, 2021 election and requests that Spokane County Elections prepare and publish a voters’ pamphlet for this proposition. The District understands and agrees that it will be required to pay its proportionate share of the expenses of the voters’ pamphlet.

Section 4. **Notices Relating to Ballot Title.** For purposes of receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot title required by RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates (a) the
District’s Superintendent, Kyle Rydell, telephone: (509) 924-2150; email: kyle.rydell@wvsd.org; and (b) special counsel, Laura McAloon of McAloon Law, PLLC, telephone: (509) 474-0044; email: laura@mcaloon-law.com, as the individuals to whom the Auditor shall provide such notice. The Superintendent is authorized to approve changes to the ballot title, if any, deemed necessary by the Auditor or the Spokane County Prosecuting Attorney.

Section 5. Authorization of Levies. Upon the approval of a majority of the voters voting in the election called by this resolution, the following taxes for the District’s General Fund should be levied upon all of the taxable property within the District in excess of the maximum annual tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors:

A. $7,574,504, said levy to be made in 2021 for collection in 2022;
B. $8,142,592, said levy to be made in 2022 for collection in 2023; and
C. $8,753,286, said levy to be made in 2023 for collection in 2024.

Such excess property taxes will be used to meet the educational needs of the District’s students and pay essential expenses of educational programs and operation support not funded by the State of Washington during the school years 2021-2022, 2022-2023, 2023-2024 and 2024-2025, including including teachers, staff, classroom materials and textbooks, technology, athletics, buildings and transportation and operations, all as may be authorized by law and determined necessary by the Board.

The estimated levy rate depends upon the final dollar amount of assessed value of the property within the District and statutory levy authority maximums. At this time, based upon information provided by the Spokane County Assessor’s office, the estimated levy rate for the 2022 levy is $2.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, the estimated levy rate for the 2023 levy is $2.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, and the estimated levy rate for the 2024
levy is $2.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon state statutory levy authority and the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy.

Section 6. Effective Date. This resolution will become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of West Valley School District No. 363, Spokane County, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 18th day of November, 2020.

WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 363
SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON

[Signatures]

President and Director

[Signature]

Director

[Signature]

Director

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ATTEST:

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Secretary, Board of Directors

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CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Directors of West Valley School District No. 363, Spokane County, Washington, (the “District”) and keeper of the records of the Board of Directors (the “Board”), DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

1. That the attached resolution is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 20-09 of the Board (the “Resolution”), duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 18th day of November, 2020.

2. That said meeting was duly convened and held in all respects in accordance with law, and to the extent required by law, due and proper notice of such meeting was given; that a legal quorum was present throughout the meeting and a legally sufficient number of members of the Board voted in the proper manner for the adoption of the Resolution; that all other requirements and proceedings incident to the proper passage of the Resolution have been duly fulfilled, carried out and otherwise observed; and that I am authorized to execute this certificate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 18th day of November, 2020.

[Signature]
Secretary, Board of Directors

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INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: To vote in favor of the following proposition, place a cross (X) in the square opposite the word “YES”; to vote against the following proposition, place a cross (X) in the square opposite the word “NO.”

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EPO LEVY – YES.......................... 

EPO LEVY – NO.......................... 

NOTICE
WEST VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 363
SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON

February 9, 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 9, 2021, a special election will be held in the above-named school district for the submission to the qualified electors of said school district of the following proposition:

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EPO LEVY – YES.......................... □

EPO LEVY – NO........................... □

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