

SOUTH KING FIRE & RESCUE

KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 575

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Fire Commissioners of

South King Fire & Rescue, King County, Washington,

Providing for the submission to the qualified Electors of the District at the General Election to be held within the District on November 3rd, 2020, a Proposition authorizing the Levy of a General Tax on the taxable property within the District in excess of Constitutional and Statutory limitations in the sum of \$3,750,000 which is approximately \$0.19 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation (based on an assessment ratio of 100% of true and fair market value), to be collected first in 2021, and for three consecutive years thereafter, to provide funds required by the District to make certain capital equipment expenditures, maintain operational capabilities, to avoid a reduction in the number of firefighter employees, and for maintenance and operational expenditures essential for basic fire and life protection needs.

WHEREAS: It is the judgment of the Board of Commissioners of the district that it is essential and necessary for the protection of the health, life and property of the residents of the district that the fire and emergency medical services enumerated in this resolution be provided by the district. Such services will necessitate the expenditure of revenues for maintenance, operations and equipment in excess of those which can be provided by the district's regular tax levy for collection in 2021, and for three consecutive years thereafter, such excess being not less than \$3,750,000.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SOUTH KING FIRE & RESCUE (aka King County Fire Protection District #39), WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The district does not obtain sufficient revenue from its regular property tax levy to provide fire and emergency medical services at the level that it currently provides. The purpose of this special levy would be to provide sufficient funds to maintain the level of services during 2021, and for three consecutive years thereafter. The funds obtained through the excess levy will be used to pay regular maintenance and operation costs and to maintain the current level of emergency services.

SECTION 2. In order to produce the revenue adequate to pay the costs of providing adequate fire protection and emergency medical services as described in Section 1 of this resolution and to maintain reserve funds sufficient to assure the continuation of such services, the district shall levy in 2020, to be collected in 2021, a general tax on taxable property within the district, in excess of the regular levy, for maintenance and operation costs in the amount of \$3,750,000. This same amount will be levied for three consecutive years thereafter (2022, 2023, and in 2024).

SECTION 3. There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the district for their ratification or rejection, at the General Election on November 3rd, 2020, the question of whether or not such levy for maintenance and operations, in excess of the constitutional and statutory limits, shall be made. The Board of Commissioners hereby requests that the King County Supervisor of Elections call such special election, and to submit the following proposition at such election, in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

PROPOSITION 1

SOUTH KING FIRE & RESCUE
(King County Fire Protection District No. 39)
Levy of General Tax

\$3,750,000 for Maintenance and Operations

The Board of Commissioners of South King Fire & Rescue adopted Resolution No. 575 concerning a proposition to finance maintenance and operation expenses. This proposition, if approved, will authorize the District to levy, without regard to the limitations of chapter 84.52 RCW, a property tax upon all taxable property within the district of:

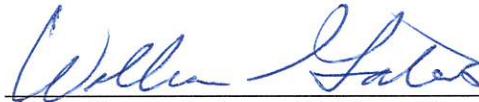
<u>Collection Year</u>	<u>Approximate Rate per \$1,000 of Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2021	\$0.19	\$3,750,000
2022	\$0.18	\$3,750,000
2023	\$0.17	\$3,750,000
2024	\$0.16	\$3,750,000

to be used for maintenance and operations and increase the current level of fire services and emergency medical services. Should this proposition be approved?

Tax Levy: Yes _____
Tax Levy: No _____

HOWEVER, in the event that the need for this resolution is obviated by affirmative passage of the same Proposition One set forth above, at the August 4, 2020 Primary Election, then this resolution shall be deemed withdrawn and there shall be no need for the Manager of Records and Elections of King County to place the above Proposition One on the November 3, 2020 General Election ballot.

Adopted by the Board of Commissioners of South King Fire & Rescue at a regular meeting this 28th day of April 2020, with the following Commissioners being present and voting:



Chair/Commissioner William Gates



Vice Chair/Commissioner Mark Thompson



Commissioner David A. Berger

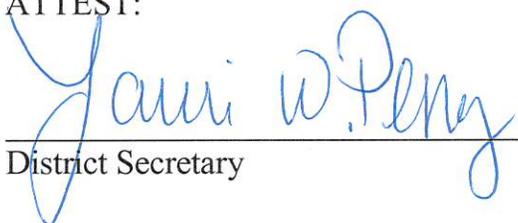


Commissioner Bill Fuller



Commissioner John Rickert

ATTEST:


District Secretary