CITY OF DUVALL
WASHINGTON
RESOLUTION NO. 16-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF DUVALL, WASHINGTON, PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2016, OF A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO LIFT THE LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN RCW 84.55.010 TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO PAY, OR TO PAY DEBT SERVICE ON BONDS AND OBLIGATIONS TO FINANCE, BIG ROCK BALLFIELD IMPROVEMENTS, EMPLOYMENT OF A FULL-TIME SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER, AND IT SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Duvall, Washington (the “City”) provides recreational, public safety, and information technology services to its citizens; and

WHEREAS, improvements to the turf and lighting at Big Rock Ballfield will help to create a destination community asset and overall improvements for recreation, user groups, and sports leagues; and

WHEREAS, the City currently employs one part-time school resource officer stationed at Cedarcrest High School, however, the City desires to employ a full-time officer who can also be present at other schools in the community school district; and

WHEREAS, because of fiscal constraints and past lack of knowledge, the City has not been able to consistently invest in critical IT systems, which form the backbone of government service delivery and public safety; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to issue limited tax general obligation bonds to provide long term financing for the costs of improving the Big Rock Ballfield, employing a full-time school resource officer modernizing critical IT systems, with the principal amount of such bonds anticipated to be $1.6 million; and

WHEREAS, to provide funds to pay debt service on such obligations, it is deemed advisable that the City impose taxes within the limits permitted to cities to generate additional revenue averaging approximately $316,546.00 per year; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.55.050 authorizes the voters of a city to authorize an increase above the levy limitations established in RCW 84.55.010; and
WHEREAS, the conditions here and above set forth require the holding of a special election in the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUVALL, WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Findings. The City Council finds it is in the best interests of the residents and businesses of the City to provide funds (a) to pay debt service on bonds issued for construction of the Big Rock Ballfield’s turf and lighting project, (b) to provide for a full time school resource officer, and (c) to fund IT infrastructure improvements, (collectively “Projects”). The City Council shall determine the timing, order, and manner of completing the Projects.

Section 2. Levy of Additional Property Taxes. It is hereby found and declared that the best interests of the City require the submission to the qualified electors of the City a proposition regarding whether the City shall levy property taxes in above the levy limitations established in RCW 84.55.010 for their ratification or rejection at an election to be held on November 8, 2016. The Director of King County Elections, as ex officio supervisor of elections in King County, Washington, is hereby requested to call and conduct such election to be held within the City on such day and to submit to the qualified electors of the City for their approval or rejection a proposition to authorize a levy of $316,546.00 per annum upon all taxable property within the City, for collection for nine years beginning in 2017, the estimated cost to be approximately $0.325 per $1,000 of assessed value (for a total rate not to exceed $1.725 per $1,000 of assessed valuation for collection in 2017 and to increase the levy as allowed by chapter 84.55 RCW for each of the eight succeeding years).

Upon approval of the voters of the proposition hereinafter set forth, the City may use proceeds of such levy for the purpose of paying or financing the Projects as described herein. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to certify the following proposition to the Director of King County Elections, as ex officio supervisor of elections in King County, Washington, in substantially the following form.
CITY OF DUVALL, WASHINGTON

PROPOSITION NO. 1

NINE YEAR LEVY LID LIFT FOR BIG ROCK BALLFIELD IMPROVEMENTS, EMPLOYMENT OF A FULL-TIME SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER, AND IT SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

The City of Duvall, Washington adopted Resolution No. 160-13 proposing to increase the City's regular property tax levy to finance improvements to the Big Rock Ballfield, to employ a full-time school resource officer and for IT system improvements.

This proposition increases the City of Duvall's regular property tax levy by up to $0.325/$1,000 assessed valuation (averaging approximately $316,546.00/year) to a total maximum rate of $1.725/$1,000 of assessed valuation for collection in 2017, and increases the levy as permitted in RCW 84.55 for eight years thereafter, to pay, or pay debt service on approximately $1.6 million of bonds and obligations issued to finance improvements to the Big Rock Ballfields, the employment of a full-time school resource officer, and for IT system improvements.

Should this proposition be:

APPROVED?
REJECTED?

Section 3. Minor Adjustments. The Mayor and City Attorney are authorized to make such minor adjustments to the wording of such proposition as may be recommended by the Director of King County Elections as long as the intent of the proposition remains clear and consistent with the intent of this Resolution as approved by the City Council.

Section 4. Effective Date. This resolution will take effect from and after its adoption as provided by law.


Approved as to form:

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CITY OF DUVALL
Mayor Will Ibershof

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED
Jodi Wycoff, City Clerk