

KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 34
8450 - 161st Avenue NE
Redmond, WA 98052

RESOLUTION NO. 228/07

AUTHORIZING ELECTION REGARDING TAX LIMITATION

A RESOLUTION OF THE KING COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 34 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT AT THE AUGUST 21, 2007 ELECTION OF A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE REGULAR PROPERTY TAX IN EXCESS OF THE INCREASE OTHERWISE ALLOWED UNDER CHAPTER 84.55 RCW FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES; SETTING FORTH THE BALLOT TITLE THEREFORE; REQUESTING THAT THE DIRECTOR OF THE KING COUNTY RECORDS, ELECTIONS, AND LICENSING DIVISION PLACE THE PROPOSITION ON THE AUGUST 21, 2007 ELECTION; AND FIXING THE TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE.

WHEREAS, the operating costs of the District have increased substantially in recent years and due to changes in tax laws made by the legislature and statewide initiatives, increases in tax revenues have been inadequate to meet the increasing costs of service; and

WHEREAS, the District has taken steps to address these increases in costs by working with the City of Redmond as its service provider in instituting cost containment measures and finding more efficient ways to provide services; and

WHEREAS, anticipated revenues in 2007-2008 are insufficient to fund the needs of the District and its contractual obligations; now therefore,

THE KING COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 34 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Levy Lid Lift Election Called For. Pursuant to RCW 84.55.050, the KING COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 34 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS hereby calls for submission of a proposition to the qualified electors of the District asking whether the District shall levy regular property taxes in excess of the limitation established in RCW 84.55.010. The Director of the King County Records, Elections, and Licensing Services Division, as *ex officio* Supervisor of Elections in King County, is hereby requested to call the election in the District on August 21, 2007. The proposition to be submitted to the qualified voters of the District for their approval or rejection is to authorize increasing the District's regular property tax levy from \$1.21 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation by \$0.14 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, to a total levy rate of \$1.35 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, for collection beginning in 2008.

Section 2. Purpose of Levy. The purpose of the proposed levy lid lift is to maintain fire and emergency medical services critical to the public safety needs.

Section 3. Ballot Proposition. The District Secretary is hereby authorized and directed, not later than May 29, 2007, to certify a proposition to the King County Records, Elections, and Licensing Services Division, as ex-officio Supervisor of Elections in King County Washington, in substantially the following form:

KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 34

PROPOSITION NO. 1

The Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District 34 has passed Resolution No. 228/07 to place fire and emergency medical funding before the voters.

This proposition would support critical public safety needs by providing funds to maintain fire and emergency medical service levels in the District. It authorizes an increase in the regular property tax rate for collection in 2008 of \$0.14 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, for a total rate (if only this proposition passes) of \$1.35 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. The 2008 levy amount would become the base upon which levy increases would be computed for succeeding years.

Should this proposition be approved?

YES _____

NO _____

Section 4. Changes. The District's Attorney is authorized to make such minor adjustments to the wording of such proposition as may be recommended by the King County Records, Elections, and Licensing Services Division, as long as the intent of the proposition remains clear and consistent with the intent of this Resolution as approved by the Board of Commissioners.

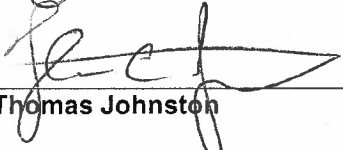
Section 5. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon passage by the Board of Commissioners.

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 34 at a special meeting thereof this 24th day of May 2007.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS




Sherman Colson



Thomas Johnston

Peter Lucarelli

ADOPTED at a special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 34, held on May 24, 2007.



ANNE CARLSON, Secretary
Board of Commissioners