

CITY OF EAST WENATCHEE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-19

An Ordinance of the City of East Wenatchee, Washington, authorizing the regular property tax levy to be collected in the 2017 tax year, an increase of 0.953 percent in the regular tax levy, and authorizing an increase which may be allowed in the amount under new construction, improvements to property and the State assessed property provisions of State Law.

Una Ordenanza de la Ciudad de East Wenatchee, Washington, se modifica La Ordenanza Numero 2016-19 que establecio la Ciudad de East Wenatchee 2017 Presupuesto.

1. Recitals.

- a. Preamble. The City of East Wenatchee (“City”) is a non-charter code City duly incorporated and operating under the laws of the State of Washington; and
- b. The City Council of East Wenatchee (“City Council”) finds that it is in the best interests of the City of East Wenatchee (“City”) and its citizens to increase the amount of the City’s regular property tax levy for 2017.
- c. Findings.
 - i. The population of the City is more than 10,000;
 - ii. The Implicit Price Deflator (Personal Consumption Expenditures “PCE”) for 2016 is 0.953%, resulting in an allowable 0.953% increase in the 2017 property tax levy.
 - iii. The City Council has considered the City’s anticipated financial requirements for 2017 and beyond, and the amounts necessary and available to be raised by ad valorem taxes on real, personal and utility property, including amounts resulting from new construction, improvements to property, and any increase in the assessed value of state-assessed property;
 - iv. After proper notice, the City Council held a public hearing on October 25, 2016. At this public hearing, the City Council considered revenue sources for the City’s current expense budget for 2017.
 - v. After the hearing and after duly considering all relevant evidence and testimony presented, the City Council determined and finds that the City does need to increase property tax revenue from the previous year by the allowable .953%, does not need to increase property tax revenue by collecting previously banked capacity, but does have a need for the increase in property tax revenue resulting from the addition of new construction, improvements to property, and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, in order to discharge the expected expenses and obligations of the City.

2. Authority

- a. RCW 32A.11.020 and RCW 35A.2.190 authorize the City Council to adopt ordinances of all kinds to regulate its municipal affairs and appropriate to the good government of the City.
- b. RCW 84.55.12 authorizes the City Council to adopt a tax increase by ordinance.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST WENATCHEE DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Purpose. The City wishes to establish its regular property tax levy for the year 2017.

Section 2: Authorization. The City Council authorizes an increase in the general property tax levy, for the 2016 property tax levy on all real, personal and utility property authorized for collection in 2017 resulting from a .953% increase in the regular tax levy, and authorizing any amount from the addition of new construction and improvements to property, plus any increase in the value of state-assessed property, and plus any additional amount resulting from annexations that have occurred and refunds made.

Section 3: Estimate. As required by RCW 84.52.020, for budget purposes, the City Council estimates that the amount of property tax to be collected in the year 2017 will be approximately \$1,627,785.00. The City Council estimates that the contingency property tax to be collected will be \$50,000.

Section 4: Certification. As required by RCW 84.52.020, the City Council certifies to Douglas County's legislative authority that the City is requesting that the regular levy, in the amount of \$1,622,785.00 be collected in 2017.

Section 5: Payment. The property taxes levied by this Ordinance shall be collected and paid to the City Treasurer at the time and in the manner provided by the laws of the State of Washington.

Section 6: Refund Levy for 2017. As a result of the refunds issued during the 2016 tax year, we are requesting the collection of \$3,525.90 in the form of a refund levy for the tax year 2017.

Section 7: Severability. If a court of competent jurisdiction declares any provision in this Ordinance to be contrary to law, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the other provisions of this Ordinance.

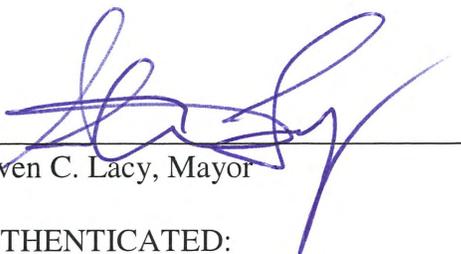
Section 8: Publication. The City Council directs the City Clerk to publish a summary of this Ordinance. The summary shall consist of the title of this Ordinance

Section 9: Effective Date. This Ordinance becomes effective five days after the date its summary is published.

Section 10: Filing. The City Council directs the City Clerk to file this Ordinance with the legislative authority of Douglas County.

Section 11: Short Title. This Ordinance shall be known as the 2016 Levy and may be cited as such.

Passed by the City Council of East Wenatchee, at a regular meeting thereof on this 8th day of November, 2016.

By 
Steven C. Lacy, Mayor

AUTHENTICATED:


Dana Barnard, City Clerk

Approved as to form only:


Devin Poulson, City Attorney

Filed with the City Clerk:	10/20/16
Passed by the City Council:	11/8/16
Published:	11/11/16
Effective Date:	11/17/16

Summary of Ordinance No. 2016-19
Or the City of East Wenatchee, Washington

On the 8th day of November, 2016, the City Council of the City of East Wenatchee, Washington approved Ordinance No. 2016-19 the main point of which may be summarized by its title as follows:

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Upon request, the City will mail a full text of this Ordinance.

Dated this 8th day of November, 2016.

Dana Barnard
CITY CLERK, DANA BARNARD