

RESOLUTION 2022-U

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF EATONVILLE, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE TOWN, AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE DISTRICT ON AUGUST 2, 2022, A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING THE UNINTERRUPTED CONTINUATION OF AN ADDITIONAL REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FIFTY CENTS PER THOUSAND DOLLARS OF THE ASSESSED VALUATION TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE CONTINUED PROVISION OF BASIC AND ADVANCED EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN

WHEREAS, in 2016 the qualified electors of the Town of Eatonville approved an emergency medical services levy in an amount equal to fifty cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed value of property for a period of six years, solely for the provision of funding emergency medical services throughout the Town; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services levy passed in 2016 expires at the end of 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Town of Eatonville, after hearing and considering all relevant information, has determined that it is in the best interests of the Town to place before the voters of the Town a proposition to extend the collection of an additional property tax levy in an amount equal to fifty cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed value of property for an additional period of six years in order to fund emergency medical services throughout the Town; now, therefore,

THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF EATONVILLE, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Pursuant to RCW 84.52.069, the Eatonville Town Council hereby calls for submission of a proposition to the qualified electors of the Town authorizing the Town to continue to collect a regular property tax of fifty cents (\$.50) or less per thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) of the assessed value of property in the Town to fund emergency medical services at the general election to be held August 2, 2022.

Section 2. The Pierce County Auditor, as ex officio supervisor of elections in Pierce County, is hereby requested to assume jurisdiction of and to call and conduct such election and to submit to the qualified electors of the Town the proposition set forth in Section 4 below. The Mayor and/or Town Attorney are authorized to modify the proposition as directed by the Pierce County Auditor, as long as the intent of the proposition remains clear and consistent with the intent of this Resolution as approved by the Town Council. The Town Clerk is hereby directed to certify the proposition set forth in Section 4 and forward the proposition to the Pierce County Auditor, and to do so not later than May 13, 2022. If this proposition is approved, the Town Council will be authorized to adopt an increased regular property tax as described herein.

Section 3. For the purposes identified below, the Town Council seeks voter approval under RCW 84.52.069, as follows:

(a) **Purpose.** The additional regular property tax authorized by the proposition shall be used to fund emergency medical services, including but not limited to related personnel costs, training for such personnel, and related equipment, supplies, vehicles and structures.

(b) **Increase Authorized Beginning in 2023.** The additional regular property tax authorized by the proposition shall apply to the amounts levied in 2022 and collected beginning in 2023.

Section 4. The proposition to be submitted to the voters shall be in substantially the following form:

**TOWN OF EATONVILLE
Proposition 1
Replacement Emergency Medical Services Levy**

The Eatonville Town Council passed Resolution 2022-U concerning the replacement of an expiring levy for emergency medical services. It would authorize the Town of Eatonville to continue to impose an additional regular property tax levy of fifty cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years solely for the provision of emergency medical services. Should this proposition be approved?

YES ☐

NO ☐

Section 5. All actions previously taken in furtherance of and not inconsistent with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 6. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this Resolution be preempted by state or federal law or regulation, such decision or preemption shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution or its application to other persons or circumstances.

Section 7. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its adoption, as provided by law.

PASSED by the Town Council of the Town of Eatonville and attested by the Clerk in authentication of such passage this 25th day of April, 2022.

David Baublits, Mayor

ATTEST:

Miranda Doll, Town Clerk