

RESOLUTION NO. 1029

A RESOLUTION  
INCREASING THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LEVY  
FOR THE CITY OF LYNDEN, WASHINGTON

WHEREAS, the Lynden City Council has properly given notice of the public hearing held November 16, 2020 to consider the City of Lynden Property Tax Levy for the 2021 calendar year, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120; and

WHEREAS, the Council, after hearing, and after duly considering all relevant evidence and testimony presented, have determined that the City of Lynden requires an increase in property tax levy from the previous year, in addition to the increase resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, to discharge the expected expenses and obligations of the City of Lynden.

WHEREAS, under statute RCW 84.55.005(2) (c), the limit factor for a taxing jurisdiction with a population of 10,000 or over is the lesser of 1% or the rate of inflation; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.55.005(1) defines "inflation" as the percentage change in the implicit price deflator for personal consumption expenditures for the United States as published for the most recent 12 month period by the Bureau of Economic Analysis of the federal Department of Commerce in September of the year before the taxes are payable; and

WHEREAS, "inflation" for September 2020 is 0.602%, meaning the taxes levied in the City of Lynden in 2020 for collection in 2021 by statute are allowed to increase 0.602% except for the amounts resulting from new construction and improvements to property, and any increase in the value of state assessed utility property; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Lynden City Council authorizes a 0.602% (\$20,600.44) increase in the 2021 regular property tax levy, in addition to the increase resulting from new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state-assessed property. The Lynden City Council does not wish to "bank" any additional capacity.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL BY AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE, \_\_\_\_\_ IN FAVOR, \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST AND SIGNED BY THE MAYOR THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF JANUARY 2021.

MAYOR

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Scott Korthuis

ATTEST:

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Pam Brown  
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Robert Carmichael  
City Attorney