## ORDINANCE 2024-17

## AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOPPENISH, WASHINGTON, DETERMINING AND FIXING THE AMOUNT OF MONEYS TO BE RAISED BY AD VALOREM TAXES TO FINANCE THE MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS FOR THE CITY OF TOPPENISH, WASHINGTON, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

WHEREAS, the City Council has held a public hearing on November 25, 2024, to consider the City of Toppenish's current (general) expense budget for the 2025 calendar year, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120, and

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

WHEREAS, the City Council is authorized by RCW 84.69.180, to recover the portion of the City's levy which was reduced within the preceding twelve months due to tax record adjustments such as senior exemptions, DOR exemptions, government exemptions and others, and

WHEREAS the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of and necessary to meet the expenses and obligations of the City of Toppenish for the property tax revenue to be increased in the next calendar year, and

## NOW THEREFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOPPENISH, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. That an increase in the regular property tax levy of \$9,173.40 or a 1% increase from the 2024 levy amount, plus any amount resulting from the addition of new construction improvements to property, any annexations, and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, is hereby authorized by the City Council of the City of Toppenish for the 2024 tax levy estimated at \$934,618.19.

Said amount above shall be apportioned to and payable into the various funds for the purpose established in the budget for the City of Toppenish to be hereafter adopted.

<u>Section 2</u>. The Budget and Finance Director is hereby instructed to forthwith certify the amount of said Ad Valorem Taxes hereby determined, fixed, and levied to the Board of Yakima County Commissioners as required by RCW 84.52.020.

<u>Section 3</u>. This Ordinance shall be effective five days after passage, approval and publication as required by law.

PASSED by the City Council at its regular meeting held on November 25, 2024.

ELPIDIA SAAVEDRA, Mayor

ATTEST:

HEIDI RIOJAS, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DANIEL B. HEID, City Attorney