

**ORDINANCE NO. 14-1037**

**ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND, WASHINGTON, LEVYING THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2015 ON ALL PROPERTY BOTH REAL AND PERSONAL, IN SAID CITY, WHICH IS SUBJECT TO TAXATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING REVENUE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND FOR THE ENSUING YEAR AS REQUIRED BY LAW, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND ESTABLISHING THE EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of Black Diamond, Washington has met and considered the Public Safety budgets for the year of 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cities under 10,000 population may increase the regular property tax levy from the previous year by up to one percent, and

**WHEREAS**, A Public Hearing was held on November 6, 2013 regarding the 2015 Budget and the property tax levy, and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has properly given notice of the Public Hearings held on November 6, 2014 and November 20, 2014 to consider the City's 2015 Preliminary Budget including the Revenue Sources, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120; and

**WHEREAS**, King County requires that the 2015 Property Tax Levies be submitted by November 30, 2014;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:**

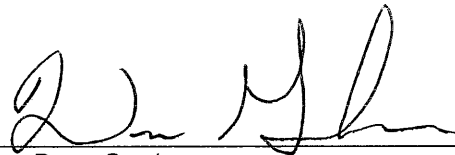
**Section 1. Levy Amount** A regular property tax is hereby levied in the amount \$1,478,154 which includes the allowed one percent increase over last year's levy of \$1,433,816. This one percent increases property taxes by \$14,338. This total levy dollar amount is exclusive of the additional revenue resulting from new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbines, and any increase in the value of state assessed property or any annexations that have occurred and adjustment made by the county. The additional property taxes are estimated to add \$30,000 to the levy for new construction or any increase in the annexation, value of state-assessed property or adjustments. The final dollar amount of Property Taxes is determined by King County.

**Section 2. Severability** Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or

otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this ordinance be preempted by State or Federal law or regulations, such decisions or preemptions shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

**Section 3. Effective Date** This Ordinance shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after the date of publication.

Introduced the 20th day of November, 2014

  
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Mayor Dave Gordon

Attest:

  
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Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Carol Morris, City Attorney

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