

ORDINANCE NO. 15-1064

AN 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, 2016 ON ALL PROPERTY BOTH REAL AND PERSONAL, 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 AND ESTABLISHING THE EFFECTIVE DATE.

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, the City Council has properly given notice of the Public Hearings held on November 5, 2015 and November 19, 2015 to consider the City's 2016 Property Tax Levy and the Preliminary Budget including the Revenue Sources, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Black Diamond, Washington has met and considered the Public Safety budgets for the year of 2016; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on November 5, 2015 and November 19, 2015 regarding the 2016 Budget and the property tax levy, and

WHEREAS, King County requires that the 2016 Property Tax Levies be submitted by November 30, 2015; and

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


Section 1. Increased Amount. The preliminary assessed valuation of \$659,406,716 is adopted. A regular property tax for 2016 is hereby levied in the amount \$1,499,131 which includes the allowed one percent increase of \$14,535 over last year's levy, a refund of \$1,054 from prior year and includes an estimated \$30,000 for any increases resulting from additional 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 final dollar amount of Property Taxes is determined by King County and reduced to the actual amount allowed.

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.

PASSED by the Council and approved by the Mayor of the City of Black Diamond, Washington, this 19th day of November, 2015.



Carol Benson, Mayor

Attest:



Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carol Morris, City Attorney

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