EVERETT CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

PROJECT TITLE:
An Ordinance levying the general taxes for the City of Everett for fiscal year commencing January 1, 2017, on all taxable property, both real and personal, subject to taxation thereon, for the purpose of raising a portion of the revenue to carry on City operations for the ensuing year, as required by the Charter of the City of Everett and the laws of the State of Washington

10/5/16	Briefing	COUNCIL BILL #	CB1609-42
	Proposed Action	Originating Department	Finance
	Consent	Contact Person	Susy Haugen
	Action	Phone Number	(425) 257-8612
10/5/16	First Reading	FOR AGENDA OF	October 5, 2016
10/12/15	Second Reading		
10/19/15	Third Reading		
10/19/15	Public Hearing	Initialed by:	
	Budget Advisory	Department Head	
		CAA	
		Council President	

Location	**Preceding Action**	**Attachments**	**Department(s) Approval**
	Revenue Workshop on 9/21/16	Ordinance	Finance

Amount Budgeted	-0-	
Expenditure Required	-0-	Account Number(s):
Budget Remaining	-0-	
Additional Required	-0-	

DETAILED SUMMARY STATEMENT:
This ordinance sets the amount of the City of Everett's 2017 property taxes and directs the Snohomish County Assessor to include them in the property tax levy. As a matter of practice, we estimate the amounts to be used and ask the Assessor to determine and use the correct rates for general property taxes. The ordinance includes the levies for the general fund and Emergency Medical Services (EMS). The 2017 property tax ordinance calls for a one percent increase in the regular levy and a one percent increase in the EMS levy.

RECOMMENDATION:
Adopt an Ordinance levying the general taxes for the City of Everett for fiscal year commencing January 1, 2017, on all taxable property, both real and personal, subject to taxation thereon, for the purpose of raising a portion of the revenue to carry on City operations for the ensuing year, as required by the Charter of the City of Everett and the laws of the State of Washington.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

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WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Everett duly and regularly adopts as required by law the estimate of the amounts required to meet the public expense of said City for the ensuing year and the amount to be raised by taxation in said City for said ensuing year from sources other than direct taxation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Everett is considering its budget for the calendar year 2017; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, in the course of considering the budget for 2017, reviews all sources of revenue and examines all anticipated expenses and obligations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that in order to meet the rising cost of providing essential public services, a substantial need exists to increase regular property tax collections by one percent as provided for in RCW 84.55.0101; and

WHEREAS, the qualified electors of the City voted approval in 2010 of a levy lid lift for additional regular property tax in an amount equal to a maximum of $0.50 per thousand dollars of the assessed value of property in the City for funding an emergency medical services program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF EVERETT DOES ORDAIN:

Section 1: That there be, and hereby is, levied upon real and personal property in the City of Everett, subject to taxation thereon, a general property tax for municipal purposes for the ensuing year commencing on January 1, 2017, as follows:

REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY

The Everett City Council hereby authorizes the property tax levy for collection in the year 2017 at $35,991,550 (including a $356,352 increase in dollar amount, which is a 1% increase over the amount of taxes lawfully levied by the City in 2016), plus an estimated $1,000,000 from new construction, improvements to

property, annexations, and changes in state-assessed property, and $500,000 resulting from a refund levy, for a total of **$37,491,550**.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

The Everett City Council hereby authorizes the property tax levy for collection in the year 2017 at $6,540,679 (including a $64,759 increase in dollar amount, which is a 1% increase over the amount of taxes lawfully levied by the City in 2016. Added to the base will be an estimated $300,000 from new construction, improvements to property, annexations, and changes in state-assessed property, and $100,000 resulting from a refund levy, for a total of **$6,940,679**.

Section 2: That the City Clerk be, and hereby is, directed to certify to the County Assessor a copy of this ordinance in order that the same be extended upon the general assessment roll of said County, in the same manner and at the same time that the levy for the State and County taxes is extended.

Section 3: That said taxes shall be collected and paid to the City Treasurer at the same time and in the same manner as provided by the laws of the State of Washington relating to collection of taxes in cities of the first class.

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RAY STEPHANSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

Passed: _____

Valid: _____

Effective: _____

Published: _____