## **ORDINANCE 0-4465**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND ESTABLISHING THE AMOUNT OF PROPERTY TAXES TO BE LEVIED FOR THE YEAR 2015, TO PAY THE FIRE DISTRICT 41 DEBT SERVICE ASSUMED AS A RESULT OF ANNEXATION OF THE NORTH JUANITA, FINN HILL, AND KINGSGATE NEIGHBORHOODS ON JUNE 1, 2011.

WHEREAS, the City has annexed the territory formerly served by Fire District 41 which removed all of the territory served by the District from its jurisdiction by operation of law as of June 1, 2011; and

WHEREAS, RCW 35A.14.500 provides that "[w]hen any portion of a fire protection district is annexed by or incorporated into a code city, any outstanding indebtedness, bonded or otherwise, shall remain on obligation of the taxable property annexed or incorporated as if the annexation or incorporation had not occurred"; and

WHEREAS, RCW 35A.14.801(5) provides that "[i]f a code city annexes property within a fire district or library district while any general obligation bond secured by the taxing authority of the district is outstanding, the bonded indebtedness of the fire district or library district remains on obligation of the taxable property annexed as if the annexation had not occurred"; and

WHEREAS, the outstanding indebtedness obligation of the taxable property annexed is \$2,930,287 as of December 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City Council and the City Manager have considered the anticipated financial requirements of the City of Kirkland for the payment of the debt service for the fiscal year 2015; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 35A.33.135, the City Council is required to determine and fix by ordinance the amount to be raised by ad valorem taxes;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Kirkland do ordain as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. The Fire District 41 debt service property tax levy for the year 2015 is hereby fixed and established in the amount of \$480,176.

<u>Section 2</u>. This ordinance shall be in force and effect five days from and after its passage by the Kirkland City Council and publication, as required by law.

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this 18th day of November, 2014

Signed in authentication thereof this 18th day of November, 2014.

MAYOR MAYOR

Attest:

Approved as to Form:

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