AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND ESTABLISHING THE AMOUNT OF PROPERTY TAXES TO BE LEVIED FOR THE YEAR 2009, THE FIRST YEAR OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND'S 2009-2010 FISCAL BIENNIUM AND REPEALING ORDINANCE 4154.

WHEREAS, the City Council previously held a public hearing on September 16, 2008, to consider revenue sources for the 2009-2010 Biennial Budget; and

WHEREAS, the City Council and the City Manager have considered the anticipated financial requirements of the City of Kirkland for the fiscal year 2009; 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; and

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2008, the City Council passed Ordinance 4154 which was the preliminary property tax levy; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to repeal the preliminary property tax levy and pass the final tax levy based upon the most recent property tax levy data provided by King County; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.55.120 requires that the increase in the levy over the prior year shall be stated both as to dollars and percentage;

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

Section 1. Ordinance 4154 passed November 18, 2008, is hereby repealed.

Section 2. The regular property tax levy for the year 2009 is hereby fixed and established in the amount of \$13,446,442. This property tax levy represents a dollar increase of \$484,023 and a percentage increase of 3.73% from the previous year, including the increase resulting from the addition of new construction, improvements to property, any increase in state-assessed property, and administrative refunds as shown below:

		% Increase /
	Amount	(Decrease)
2008 Regular Property Tax Levy	12,962,419	
Less Prior Year Refund	0	
Plus New Construction Levy	227,224	1.75%
Plus Annexation Levy	0	0.00%
Plus Refund Levy	18,738	0.14%
Plus Property Tax Increase	238,061	1.84%
2009 Regular Levy	13,446,442	3.73%

Section 3. There is hereby levied for 2009 upon all property, both real and personal, within the City of Kirkland, Washington, and within the area subject to tax levies for the principal and interest of all general obligation bond issues, a total voted property tax of \$1,456,986 on the total of assessed valuation for such property.

City Attorney