

RESOLUTION R-4651

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND URGING THE KING COUNTY COUNCIL TO PLACE A COUNTY-WIDE 2008-2013 MEDIC ONE/EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) LEVY OF UP TO \$0.30 PER THOUSAND DOLLARS OF ASSESSED VALUATION ON THE NOVEMBER 2007 PRIMARY BALLOT.

WHEREAS, the existing Medic One/EMS Levy will expire at the end of the year 2007; and

WHEREAS, a region-wide effort to thoroughly review the future needs of the emergency medical services system began in October of 2005 and involved the full range of Medic One/EMS Stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, such analysis included the impacts that a specific levy type, length and rate might have on the regional system and taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kirkland significantly participated in these discussions throughout the process and was represented as a Stakeholder on both the Technical Stakeholder and the Elected Official Committees; and

WHEREAS, in October of 2006, Stakeholders developed consensus around the future funding and operational plans for a 2008-2013 Medic One/EMS levy and unanimously endorsed a six-year levy of up to \$0.30 per thousand dollars of assessed value; and

WHEREAS, the King County Council is now considering a multi-year levy lid lift as an alternative to a six-year Medic One/EMS levy of up to \$0.30 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for the period of 2008 through 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Kirkland City Council has reviewed and compared the two levy proposals and favors a six-year EMS levy of up to \$0.30 per thousand dollars of assessed value;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of Kirkland as follows:

Section 1. The City Council supports the proposed six-year County-wide Medic One/EMS Levy of up to \$0.30 per thousand dollars of assessed value for the Years 2008-2013 over the multi-year lid lift alternative proposal and urges the King County Council to place a Medic One/EMS Levy as a ballot measure before voters in the November 2007 primary election.


Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting
this 19th day of June, 2007.

Signed in authentication thereof this 19th day of June, 2007.



MAYOR

Attest:



City Clerk