

CITY OF REDMOND
RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, SUPPORTING THE COUNTYWIDE BALLOT PROPOSITION FOR THE MEDIC ONE/EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) LEVY FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2020, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2025, PURSUANT TO RCW 84.52.069

WHEREAS, the delivery of emergency medical services is an essential function of the fire and life safety responsibility of local and regional government; and

WHEREAS, the internationally recognized countywide tiered Medic One/EMS system in Seattle and King County provides county residents and visitors essential life-saving services throughout the region regardless of location, incident circumstances, day of the week, or time of day; and

WHEREAS, it has been to the benefit of the residents of the City of Redmond to support and participate in the countywide cooperative of delivering Advanced Life Support and Basic Life Support services; and

WHEREAS, King County should continue to exercise leadership and assume responsibility for assuring the consistent, standardized, effective and cost-efficient development and provision of emergency services throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.52.069 provides for countywide emergency medical care and service levies; and

WHEREAS, the highly praised patient and program services of the King County Medic One/EMS system are funded by a current countywide six-year Medic One/EMS levy that expires December 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the EMS Advisory Task Force, created via Executive Order PHL-0-1-EO, worked collaboratively with regional EMS stakeholders to develop the Medic One/EMS 2020-2025 Strategic Plan to continue providing this countywide service, and has recommended a countywide Medic One/EMS levy with an initial levy rate of \$0.265 cents per one thousand dollars assessed value to fund the EMS program throughout King County for the next six years; and

WHEREAS, the City of Redmond significantly participated in these discussions throughout the process and was represented on the Task Force; and

WHEREAS, in order to continue funding for emergency medical services for six years, RCW 84.52.069 requires that the legislative authority of at least seventy-five percent of cities with a population greater than fifty thousand approve the countywide levy proposal prior to placement on a ballot; and

WHEREAS, the City of Redmond has a population of 64,050 people.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDMOND, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above findings are found to be true and correct in all respects.

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Redmond hereby approves submitting to the voters in 2019 a countywide ballot proposition for a six-year Medic One/EMS levy at a rate of \$0.265 cents per one thousand dollars of assessed value to provide stable and long-term funding for the countywide Medic One/EMS program for 2020-2025.

ADOPTED by the Redmond City Council this _____ of _____, 2019.

APPROVED:

JOHN MARCHIONE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

MICHELLE M. HART, MMC, CITY CLERK

(SEAL)

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