

Ordinance No. 124030

Council Bill No. 117612

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the levy of regular property taxes by The City of Seattle for collection in 2013, representing an increase above the regular property taxes levied for collection in 2012; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

Related Legislation File: _____

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The City of Seattle – Legislative Department

Council Bill/Ordinance sponsored by: *Boyer*

Committee Action:

| Date | Recommendation | Vote |
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| <u>11.19.12</u> | <u>Pass</u> | <u>9-0</u> |

This file is complete and ready for presentation to Full Council. _____

Full Council Action:

| Date | Decision | Vote |
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| <u>11.19.12</u> | <u>Passed</u> | <u>9-0</u> |

Law Department

CITY OF SEATTLE
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4 AN ORDINANCE authorizing the levy of regular property taxes by The City of Seattle for
5 collection in 2013, representing an increase above the regular property taxes levied for
6 collection in 2012; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

7 WHEREAS, to increase regular property taxes, RCW 84.55.120, as approved by the voters of the
8 State of Washington in "Referendum 47" on November 4, 1997, requires the City to enact
9 a separate ordinance indicating the change in taxes from the previous year in terms of
10 percentage and total amount; and

11 WHEREAS, The City of Seattle proposes to make its regular property tax levy for collection in
12 2013 in the amount reflected in the companion ordinance to this Bill, which is commonly
13 known as the "Long Property Tax Ordinance"; and

14 WHEREAS, the Long Property Tax Ordinance for 2013 authorizes an increase over the amount
15 of regular property taxes levied for collection in 2012; and

16 WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120, after proper notice was given, the City Council held
17 public hearings on October 4, 2012 and October 26, 2012, to consider The City of
18 Seattle's 2013 budget and the regular property tax levy to support it; and

19 WHEREAS, notice of the City Council's consideration of this ordinance has been provided in the
20 usual manner for other proposed City ordinances; NOW, THEREFORE,

21 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

22 Section 1. Regular property taxes for collection in 2013 are authorized in the amount
23 reflected in the Ordinance introduced as Council Bill 117615. Not including increases resulting
24 from the addition of new construction, construction of wind turbine facilities classified as
25 personal property, improvements to property, and any increase in the value of state-assessed
26 property, the regular property tax levy for 2013 collection represents an increase over regular
27 property taxes levied for collection in 2012 (excluding the "refund fund levy" in both instances)
28 of \$12,472,903, which is a 3.44% increase. These regular property tax levies for collection in



1 2012 and 2013 include regular property tax "levy lid lifts" previously approved by the voters of
2 The City of Seattle.

3 Section 2. Any act pursuant to the authority of this ordinance taken after the passage of
4 this ordinance is hereby ratified and confirmed.

5 Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by
6 the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it
7 shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

8 Passed by the City Council the 19th day of November, 2012, and
9 signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this
10 19th day of November, 2012.

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14 President _____ of the City Council

15 Approved by me this 24 day of Nov, 2012.

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19 Michael McGinn, Mayor

20 Filed by me this 27th day of November, 2012.

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24 Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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2013 BUDGET LEGISLATION FISCAL NOTE

| Department: | Contact Person/Phone: | CBO Analyst/Phone: |
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| CBO/FAS | Dave Hennes/4-0537 | Dave Hennes/4-0537 |

Legislation Title: AN ORDINANCE authorizing the levy of regular property taxes by The City of Seattle for collection in 2013, representing an increase above the regular property taxes levied for collection in 2012; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

Summary of the Legislation:

This legislation, commonly known as the “Short Property Tax Ordinance” reflects changes in the regular property taxes in terms of dollars and percentages. It is a companion to the ordinance authorizing Seattle’s property tax levies, commonly known as the “Long Property Tax Ordinance.”

Background:

Since the approval of Referendum 47 in November 1997, state law has required that taxing jurisdictions adopt, by a majority of their legislative body, a separate ordinance authorizing regular property tax increases, other than increases due to certain excluded assessed property values identified below. The ordinances must show the authorized increase in terms of both dollars and percentages. Due to the exclusion of increases due to new construction, construction of wind turbine facilities classified as personal property, improvements to property, the value of state-assessed property, and refund adjustments to the levy amount, the actual year-over-year change in the City’s regular levy will differ from the calculated change in this legislation. Seattle’s Long Property Tax legislation, which is the authorizing legislation for the City’s property tax levy, provides a more detailed description of Seattle’s actual property tax levy and revenues.

In addition to the 1 percent increase in the regular non-voted property tax levy, the Bridging the Gap Transportation levy lid lift and the Families & Education levy lid lift proposed in the attached Bill, the City of Seattle’s 2013 levy includes the recently approved (August 2012) Library levy lid lift. The Fire Facilities levy is not included as it expired as of 2012. Altogether, this year’s levy represents an increase of \$12,472,903 (3.44 percent) over 2012. As noted above, this does not include the “refund fund levy,” or additional taxes resulting from new construction, construction of wind turbine facilities classified as personal property, improvements to property, or an increase in the value of state-assessed property.

X **This legislation has financial implications.** Please see the Fiscal Note to the 2013 Long Property Tax Ordinance, which authorizes the actual property tax levies.





City of Seattle
Office of the Mayor

September 24, 2012

Honorable Sally J. Clark
President
Seattle City Council
City Hall, 2nd Floor

Dear Council President Clark:

I am transmitting the attached proposed Council Bill for consideration with the 2013 Proposed Budget. This Bill shows the dollar amount and percentage change in regular property taxes over last year's actual levy, and is a companion to the legislation required to levy regular property taxes.

In addition to the 1 percent increase in the regular non-voted property tax levy, the Bridging the Gap Transportation levy lid lift and the Families & Education levy lid lift proposed in the attached Bill, the City of Seattle's 2013 levy includes the recently approved (August 2012) Library levy lid lift. The Fire Facilities levy is not included as it expired as of 2012. Altogether, this year's levy represents an increase of \$12,472,903 (3.44 percent) over 2012. As noted above, this does not include the "refund fund levy," or additional taxes resulting from new construction, construction of wind turbine facilities classified as personal property, improvements to property, or an increase in the value of state-assessed property

Thank you for your consideration of this legislation. Should you have questions, please contact Dave Hennes at 684-0537.

Sincerely,

Michael McGinn
Mayor of Seattle

cc: Honorable Members of the Seattle City Council



STATE OF WASHINGTON – KING COUNTY

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CITY OF SEATTLE, CLERKS OFFICE

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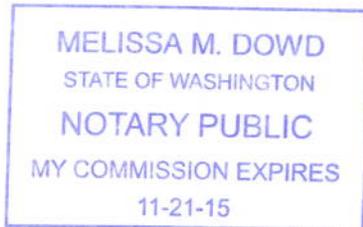
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The amount of the fee charged for the foregoing publication is the sum of \$428.96 which amount has been paid in full.




Subscribed and sworn to before me on

12/12/2012


Notary public for the State of Washington,
residing in Seattle

Affidavit of Publication

ORDINANCE NO. 124037

AN ORDINANCE relating to fleet services, authorizing the transfer to King County of certain vehicles leased from the City by Public Health - Seattle and King County; establishing the method for determining the value of the vehicles to be transferred; authorizing the Director of Finance and Administrative Services to execute an agreement with King County in order to complete the associated transition, including refunding County funds that were originally intended to replace the vehicles being transferred, compensating the City for those vehicle assets, transferring said vehicles; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

ORDINANCE NO. 124038

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Joint Training Facility Project; amending Ordinance 121179, as last amended by Ordinance 123481, to extend the term of an interfund loan.

ORDINANCE NO. 124039

AN ORDINANCE relating to animal licensing; amending Section 9.25.100, Section 9.26.020 and Section 9.26.025 in connection therewith, and adding a new Section 9.25.200 to the Seattle Municipal Code, authorizing the establishment of amnesty periods by Director's rule.

ORDINANCE NO. 124040

AN ORDINANCE relating to animal regulations; changing shelter fees and regulations concerning the municipal spay and neuter clinic, and enhancing the Director's authority relating to pet adoptions, and amending Sections 9.25.030, 9.25.045, 9.25.081, 9.26.050 and 9.26.060 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

ORDINANCE NO. 124041

AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Center parking charges; amending Seattle Municipal Code Subsection 17.19.010.B to eliminate the distinction between event and non-event charges and authorizing the Seattle Center Director to establish charges for daily parking based upon minimum and maximum rates.

ORDINANCE NO. 124042

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Center Department; adopting a fee schedule from which the Seattle Center Director is authorized to set fees for 2013 and 2014 for use of Seattle Center facilities and property; adopting policies for use of Seattle Center facilities and event related service agreements; adding a new Section 17.16.005 to the Seattle Municipal Code; and amending Sections 17.16.010, 17.16.015, 17.16.020, 17.16.030, and 17.16.033 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

ORDINANCE NO. 124043

AN ORDINANCE authorizing, in 2012, acceptance of funding from non-City sources; authorizing the heads of the Office of Sustainability and Environment, the Seattle Fire Department, and the Seattle Police Department to accept specified grants and private funding and to execute, deliver, and perform corresponding agreements; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

ORDINANCE NO. 124044

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Building and Construction Codes, Subtitle VI Fire Code; amending Seattle Municipal Code Sections 22.602.045, 22.602.050, 22.602.070, 22.602.080, and 22.602.090, to add, delete and revise various Seattle Fire Department permit, certificate, inspection and plan review fees and related provisions.

ORDINANCE NO. 124045

AN ORDINANCE relating to the electric system of The City of Seattle; authorizing the issuance and sale of municipal light and power revenue bonds for the purposes of providing funds for certain additions and betterments to and extensions of the existing municipal light and power plant and system of the City, paying the costs of issuing and selling those bonds and providing for the reserve fund requirement; providing for the terms, conditions, covenants and manner of sale of those bonds; describing the lien of those bonds; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

ORDINANCE NO. 124046

AN ORDINANCE relating to financing the solid waste system of The City of Seattle, Washington; adopting a system or plan of additions and betterments to and extensions of the solid waste system; authorizing the issuance and sale of solid waste revenue bonds, in one or more series, for the purposes of paying all or part of the cost of carrying out that system or plan, providing a bond reserve and paying the costs of issuing and selling the bonds; authorizing the execution of certain agreements relating thereto; providing for the terms, conditions, covenants and manner of sale of the bonds; describing the lien of the bonds; creating certain accounts of the City relating to the bonds; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

ORDINANCE NO. 124057

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Firefighters' Pension Fund established under RCW 41.16; amending Ordinance 117216 as last amended by Ordinance 123459 to continue the suspension of contributions to the Actuarial Account for an additional two years through 2014, requesting a study of investment options for the Actuarial Account, and clarifying the City Finance Director's authority to invest funds in the account.

ORDINANCE NO. 124058

AN ORDINANCE adopting a budget, including a capital improvement program and position modifications, for The City of Seattle for 2013; creating positions exempt from civil service; all by a two-thirds vote of the City Council.

ORDINANCE NO. 124059

AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department; directing the transfer of certain funds in the Light Fund into the Rate Stabilization Account in 2012.

Date of publication in the Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce, December 12, 2012.
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The full text of the following legislation, passed by the City Council on November 19, 2012, and published below by title only, will be mailed upon request, or can be accessed at <http://clerk.seattle.gov>. For information on upcoming meetings of the Seattle City Council, please visit <http://www.seattle.gov/council/calendar>. Contact: Office of the City Clerk at (206) 684-8344.

ORDINANCE NO. 124029

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Director of Finance and Administrative Services to execute a Third Amendment to the Lease and Concession Agreement between the City of Seattle and BH Music Center; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

ORDINANCE NO. 124030

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the levy of regular property taxes by The City of Seattle for collection in 2013, representing

an increase above the regular property taxes levied for collection in 2012; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

ORDINANCE NO. 124031

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Center Department; amending Ordinance 123644 to increase and extend the term of an interfund loan to the Seattle Center Operating Fund; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

ORDINANCE NO. 124032

AN ORDINANCE relating to the levy of property taxes; fixing the rates and/or amounts of taxes to be levied, and levying the same upon all taxable property, both real and personal, in The City of Seattle, to finance the departments and activities of City government and to provide for the general obligation bond interest and redemption requirements for the year beginning on the first day of January 2013; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

ORDINANCE NO. 124033

AN ORDINANCE relating to the financing of the Alaskan Way Viaduct and Seawall Replacement Program; amending Ordinance 123761 to increase the amount of an interfund loan.

ORDINANCE NO. 124034

AN ORDINANCE relating to City employment; establishing a 2013 furlough program for certain employees not covered by collective bargaining agreements.

ORDINANCE NO. 124035

AN ORDINANCE relating to City employment; establishing twenty-five (25) unfunded positions in the Personnel Department to be utilized by City departments to perform work that otherwise would be contracted out; and ratifying and confirming prior acts.

ORDINANCE NO. 124036

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Department of Parks and Recreation; establishing the 2013-2014 fee schedule for the use of park properties and other park and recreation facilities and services; superseding previous park and recreation fee schedules; and amending Section 18.28.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

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ORDINANCE NO. 124047

AN ORDINANCE related to fees and charges for permits and activities of the Department of Planning and Development and related fees by other departments; amending Seattle Municipal Code Chapter 22.900A, Administration and Enforcement; Chapter 22.900B, General Provisions; Chapter 22.900C, Fees for Land Use Review; Chapter 22.900D, Fees for New and Altered Buildings and Equipment; Chapter 22.900E, Fees for Certificates and Registrations; Chapter 22.900F, Compliance and Other Inspections; and Chapter 22.900G, Fees Collected for Other Departments.

ORDINANCE NO. 124048

AN ORDINANCE appropriating money to pay certain audited claims and ordering the payment thereof.

ORDINANCE NO. 124049

AN ORDINANCE relating to drainage services of Seattle Public Utilities (SPU); amending Section 21.33.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code to update definitions; amending Section 21.33.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code to update exemptions from drainage rates and adjust drainage rates; amending Sections 21.33.050 and 21.33.070 to clarify billing and collection procedures; and amending Section 21.76.040 of the Seattle Municipal Code to revise credits to low income drainage customers.

ORDINANCE NO. 124050

AN ORDINANCE relating to wastewater services of Seattle Public Utilities; amending Section 21.28.040 of the Seattle Municipal Code to adjust the wastewater volume rate; and amending Subsection 21.76.040 A of the Seattle Municipal Code to adjust credits to low-income wastewater customers.

ORDINANCE NO. 124051

AN ORDINANCE relating to drainage and wastewater services of Seattle Public Utilities; adjusting wastewater and drainage rates to pass through increased treatment costs charged by King County; amending Sections 21.28.040 and 21.33.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code to reflect the adjusted rates; and amending Section 21.76.040 of the Seattle Municipal Code to adjust credits to low-income drainage and wastewater customers.

ORDINANCE NO. 124052

AN ORDINANCE, relating to the Seattle Department of Transportation's Commuter Services Program; authorizing the Director of Finance and Administrative Services to adjust parking fees in the Seapark and Seattle Municipal Tower Garages in association with the Commute Trip Reduction

Program's Guaranteed Ride Home Program for City employees; establishing that such fees be lower than regular daily parking fees in those facilities; and deleting obsolete language and amending Ordinance 119758 in connection thereto.

ORDINANCE NO. 124053

AN ORDINANCE relating to contracting indebtedness; authorizing and providing for the issuance and sale of limited tax general obligation bonds to pay all or part of the cost of financing elements of the City's capital improvement program, issuing and selling the bonds, and other City purposes approved by ordinance; providing for terms and sale of the bonds; creating a bond fund; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

ORDINANCE NO. 124054

AN ORDINANCE related to the 2012 Budget; amending Ordinance 123758, which adopted the 2012 Budget, including the 2012-2017 Capital Improvement Program (CIP); creating new appropriations; changing appropriations to various departments and budget control levels, and from various funds in the Budget; adding new projects; creating positions; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts; all by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.

ORDINANCE NO. 124055

AN ORDINANCE adopting the 2013 Annual Action Plan to the City of Seattle 2009 - 2012 Consolidated Plan for Housing and Community Development, as amended; authorizing the submission of the 2013 Annual Action Plan to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; and authorizing the Human Services Director to make changes to the Plan for certain purposes.

ORDINANCE NO. 124056

AN ORDINANCE relating to the solid waste system of Seattle Public Utilities; revising rates and charges for solid waste services; revising credits to low income customers for solid waste services; offering free disposal at City recycling and disposal stations to low income customers under certain conditions; revising rates for yellow pages phone book recovery fees; establishing conditions for adjustments to 2015 and 2016 solid waste rates; establishing conditions for deposits to and withdrawals from the rate stabilization account of the Solid Waste Fund; and amending Chapters 21.40, 21.76 and 6.255 of the Seattle Municipal Code.