

ORDINANCE NO. 1471

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, WASHINGTON determining and fixing the amount of taxes levied, and certifying the estimated amounts of funds to be raised by taxes on the assessed valuation of property within the City for the year 2010, for general City budget expenditures.

WHEREAS, by law, the King County Assessor is responsible for determining the assessed valuation of all taxable property situated within the boundaries of the City of Des Moines for the year 2009, and

WHEREAS, the City Council and the City Manager have considered the anticipated budget requirements of the City of Des Moines for the fiscal year 2010, and

WHEREAS, notice of public hearing was provided as required by law, and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.52.010 allows the City to use any unused capacity from the authorized levy amounts of the King County Library District and South King Fire and Rescue, and

WHEREAS, The King County Library District is not using all of its authorized \$0.50 per thousand dollars of assessed value and City Council has directed that the unused amount currently estimated at \$0.08 be included in the City's property tax assessment, and

WHEREAS, the City Council, after hearing and after duly considering all relevant evidence and testimony presented, determined that the City of Des Moines requires a total levy in an amount not greater than \$4,585,156, in order to discharge the expected expenses and obligations of the City and in its best interest, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with RCW 84.55.010, the City of Des Moines requires a regular levy in an amount not greater than \$3,023,813, and

WHEREAS, the voters, in accordance with Ordinance No. 1375, at the May 16, 2006 special election, authorized to increase its regular property tax levy annually for six consecutive years above the limit established in RCW 84.55.010 in order to provide funds to restore police department staffing to previous years' levels, which amount for the year 2010 requires \$1,561,343 , and

WHEREAS, pursuant to chapter 84.52 RCW, the City Council is required to determine and fix by ordinance the amount of taxes levied, and to certify the estimated amounts of funds to be raised by taxes on the assessed valuation of property within the City; now therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Sec. 1. Findings. The recitals set forth above are adopted in full as findings of the City Council in support of enactment of this ordinance.

Sec. 2. The following amount is determined and fixed as the amount of funds to be raised by taxes on the assessed valuation of property within the City for the year 2010 for

general City budget expenditures, and for funds to restore police department staffing to previous years' levels:

The sum of not greater than \$4,585,156, which does represent the maximum statutory total tax levy, including amounts authorized by the voters, for the fiscal year 2010 in the City of Des Moines.

Sec. 3. The actual amounts levied pursuant to section 1 of this ordinance shall be calculated after the value of state-assessed property (increase in utility value) is provided by King County.

Sec. 4. Upon adoption, the City Clerk shall certify and forward a copy of this ordinance to the Metropolitan King County Council and County Assessor for King County, Washington.

Sec. 5. Severability - Construction.

(1) If a section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

(2) If the provisions of this ordinance are found to be inconsistent with other provisions of the Des Moines Municipal Code, this ordinance is deemed to control.

Sec. 6. Effective date. This ordinance shall take effect in full force five (5) days after its passage, approval and publication according to law.

PASSED BY a majority of the City Council of the City of Des Moines this 19th day of November, 2009 and signed in authentication thereof this 19th day of November, 2009.


MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


City Attorney

ATTEST:


Interim City Clerk

Published: November 24, 2009

LEGAL NOTICE

SUMMARY OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE

CITY OF DES MOINES

ORDINANCE NO. 1471, Adopted November, 2009.

DESCRIPTION OF MAIN POINTS OF THE ORDINANCE:

This ordinance determines and fixes the amount of taxes levied, and certifies the estimated amounts of funds to be raised by taxes on the assessed valuation of property within the City for the year 2010, for general City budget expenditures.

The full text of the ordinance will be mailed without cost upon request.

Autumn Lingle
Interim City Clerk

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