

RESOLUTION NO. 23

A RESOLUTION OF THE CHUCKANUT COMMUNITY FOREST PARK DISTRICT
ESTABLISHING THE AMOUNT OF THE 2023 PROPERTY TAX LEVY

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners (“Board”) of the Chuckanut Community Forest Park District (“District”) have given proper notice of the public hearing held November 9, 2022, to consider the District’s current expense budget for the 2023 calendar year and the possibility of an increase in property tax revenues, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.55.010 and 84.55.092 provides that a taxing jurisdiction may levy taxes in an amount of no more than the limit factor multiplied by the highest lawful levy since 1985 plus additional amounts resulting from new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbines, and any increase in the value of state-assessed property; and

WHEREAS, the IDP Inflation percentage for 2023 taxes is greater than one percent at 6.457%; and

WHEREAS, the highest lawful levy for the District since 1985 is \$1,263,027.27; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, the District authorized the County to levy \$136,000.00 in the 2022 calendar year, which is well under the highest lawful levy for the District; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total taxable assessed value of the District for 2022 is \$3,602,648,295.00; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to authorize a levy to decrease the regular tax levy rate to a total of eighty-one thousand, sixty dollars (\$81,060.00), or approximately two and one quarter cents (2.25¢) per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation in the District, for the 2023 calendar year;

WHEREAS, the Board, after hearing and after duly considering all relevant evidence and testimony presented, determined that the District requires this decrease in property tax revenue from the previous year, in addition to that resulting from the addition of new construction and due to improvements to property and increases in assessed value due to newly constructed wind turbines, solar, biomass and geothermal facilities, and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, in order to discharge the expected expenses and obligations of the District and in its best interest;

NOW THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CHUCKANUT COMMUNITY FOREST PARK DISTRICT, WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. A property tax levy for the 2023 calendar year is hereby authorized in the amount of \$81,060.00, which is \$54,940.00 less than last year, and which is less than prior years and significantly less than the highest lawful levy for the District.

Section 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution.

Section 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution. The Board hereby declares that it would have passed this code and each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases has been declared invalid or unconstitutional, and if, for any reason, this Resolution should be declared invalid, or unconstitutional, then the original Resolution shall be in full force and effect.

ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Chuckanut Community Forest Park District, Whatcom County, Washington, at a regular meeting held the 9th day of November, 2022 with the following Commissioners being present and voting.

COMMISSIONER

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 23 of Chuckanut Community Forest Park District, Whatcom County, Washington, adopted at the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners on November 9, 2021.

SECRETARY

EXHIBIT A

LEVY CERTIFICATION

In accordance with RCW 84.52.020, I, Frank James, Board President, for the Chuckanut Community Forest Parks District ("District"), do hereby certify to the Whatcom County legislative authority that the Board of said District requests that the following levy amounts be collected in 2023 as provided in the District's budget, which was adopted following a public hearing held on November 9, 2022:

Regular Levy: \$81,060.00

Total dollar amount to be levied

Signature: _____ Date: _____