

CITY OF RENTON, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 4382

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF RENTON, WASHINGTON, APPROVING PLACEMENT ON THE 2019 BALLOT OF THE COUNTYWIDE BALLOT PROPOSITION FOR FUNDING 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 & 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 Renton 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 King County is seeking voter authorization of a six-year Medic One/EMS levy for the period of 2020-2025; and

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WHEREAS, the patient and program services of the King County Medic One/EMS system are funded by a prior 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 for providing this countywide service, and recommends pursuit of a Medic One/EMS levy, per RCW 84.52.069; with an initial levy rate of \$0.265 per one thousand dollars assessed value, to fund EMS throughout King County for the next six years; and

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

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

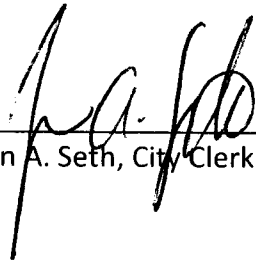
WHEREAS, the City of Renton has a population of 104,300 people;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RENTON, WASHINGTON, DO RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I. The City Council of the City of Renton, Washington hereby approves submitting to the voters a ballot proposition to provide stable and long-term funding for the countywide Medic One/EMS levy, as proposed by King County Ordinance No. 2019-0185, on the ballot in 2019.

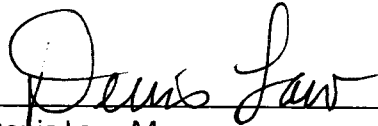
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PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this 8th day of July, 2019.



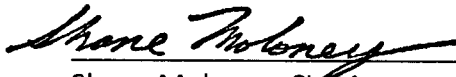
Jason A. Seth, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this 8th day of July, 2019.



Denis Law, Mayor

Approved as to form:



Shane Moloney, City Attorney

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