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1 **STRIKING AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED ORDINANCE 2017-0232, VERSION**

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3 On page 2, beginning on line 24, strike everything through page 23, line 498, and insert:

4 "STATEMENT OF FACTS:

5 1. In 2005, the metropolitan King County council passed Ordinance  
6 15279, placing a six-year veterans and human services levy on the ballot  
7 for a special election. King County residents voted for the veterans and  
8 human services levy with a nearly fifty-eight percent approval to fund  
9 services for veterans and their families, military personnel and their  
10 families and other individuals and families in need across King County.  
11 In 2011, the metropolitan King County council passed Ordinance 17072,  
12 placing a renewal of the veterans and human services levy on the ballot for  
13 a special election. King County residents voted for the renewal with a  
14 nearly sixty-nine percent approval rate.

15 2. Since the veterans and human services levy's 2011 renewal, the current  
16 veterans and human services levy has served more than one hundred and  
17 eighty-three thousand clients, more than thirty thousand of whom have  
18 been veterans, military personnel or their families.

19 3. The current veterans and human service levy's accomplishments in  
20 pursuit of its goal to reduce homelessness include: awarding proceeds to  
21 go towards building eight hundred fifty-seven units of affordable housing;  
22 gaining or maintaining housing for more than three thousand two hundred  
23 persons; reaching more than seven thousand one hundred clients through  
24 outreach and mobile services and then connecting them to housing,  
25 medical or behavioral health services; and convening a network of  
26 partners to house more than eight hundred fifty homeless veterans during a  
27 focused housing initiative in 2015.

28 4. The current veterans and human services levy's accomplishments in  
29 pursuit of its goal to reduce emergency medical and criminal justice  
30 system involvement include engaging more than three thousand eight  
31 hundred incarcerated or formerly incarcerated veterans, parents, or persons  
32 at high risk of recidivism with reentry case planning, supportive services  
33 or connections to housing or health care. A levy funded database and  
34 housing placement program for high utilizers of public services calculated  
35 that since 2012, supportive housing placements achieved estimated cost  
36 offsets of seven million dollars that otherwise would have been incurred to  
37 incarcerate or hospitalize the high utilizers who received housing.

38 5. The current veterans and human services levy's accomplishments in its  
39 goal to increase self-sufficiency for veterans, military personnel, their  
40 families and other individuals and families in need include the King  
41 County veterans program serving more than twelve thousand veterans and

42 family members; screening more than twelve thousand seven hundred  
43 mothers for behavioral health conditions at integrated community health  
44 centers; providing civil legal case assessments for more than one thousand  
45 one hundred veterans, more than three hundred of which resulted in  
46 successful resolution and more than five hundred of which resulted in  
47 referrals to outside counsel and provision of more than fifteen thousand  
48 four hundred hours of posttraumatic stress disorder counseling to more  
49 than one thousand two hundred veterans or their spouses and children.

50 6. The current veterans and human services levy will expire at the end of  
51 2017. In light of this levy's accomplishments for King County's residents  
52 and acknowledging the veterans and human services levy's importance to  
53 maintaining basic health and human services for veterans and vulnerable  
54 populations, the current levy's regional health and human services for  
55 King County's veterans and vulnerable populations merit continuation.

56 7. The veterans and human services levy has provided an increasingly  
57 large share of King County's funding for essential basic human services as  
58 the general fund's structural deficit reduces the portion of the general fund  
59 available to support human services.

60 8. Recognizing the changing landscape of regional veterans and human  
61 services needs and funding since the 2011 renewal of the veterans and  
62 human services levy, the metropolitan King County council directed the  
63 executive to produce two reports to inform deliberations about renewal of  
64 the current veterans and human services levy. Executive staff combined

65 the findings of staff research and community input from thirty-four in-  
66 person engagement meetings and two online surveys, totaling seven  
67 hundred and forty-two responses in seven languages, to compose and  
68 present the reports. The metropolitan King County council approved the  
69 first report in Motion 14822 and accepted and approved the second report  
70 in Motion 14823. The reports provided information, analysis and  
71 recommendations to inform deliberations about a potentially renewed or  
72 replaced veterans and human services levy.

73 9. In addition to confirming the ongoing need to support the veterans and  
74 vulnerable populations eligible to receive support within the current  
75 veterans and human services levy, the report approved by the council in  
76 Motion 14822 provides evidence that some populations and issues not  
77 supported within the current veterans and human services levy now merit  
78 consideration for support from the replacement levy proposed in this  
79 ordinance. Those populations and issues include supporting seniors and  
80 their caregivers and healthy aging; supporting survivors of traumatic  
81 experiences that include sexual assault, domestic violence, human  
82 trafficking, including labor trafficking and sex trafficking, and commercial  
83 sexual exploitation as well as services to prevent those types of trauma;  
84 support for refugees and immigrants; support for low-income residents of  
85 rural communities and improved health and human services delivery in  
86 rural communities; support for civil legal services for persons with low  
87 income; and support for persons with disabilities and their caregivers.

88 10. From 2010 to 2015, the number of King County veterans living below  
89 the federal poverty level increased by forty-three percent to a total of eight  
90 thousand two hundred ninety-nine, even as the overall population of  
91 veterans in King County has fallen to an estimated 2015 level of one  
92 hundred twelve thousand eight hundred veterans.

93 11. Nationally, an average of twenty veterans commit suicide every day.  
94 On average, only six of the twenty veterans committing suicide every day  
95 are enrolled in U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs services. The  
96 remaining majority are not receiving federal veterans services.

97 12. As of January 2017, an estimated two thousand one hundred two  
98 veterans were homeless in King County. Despite a strong partnership with  
99 the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, the Washington Department of  
100 Veterans Affairs and a network of local housing and service providers  
101 who together house an average of forty homeless veterans in King County  
102 per month, the number of homeless veterans increases by a net average  
103 monthly inflow of sixty-six newly homeless veterans. If sustained for a  
104 year, this monthly rate of growth would generate seven hundred and  
105 twenty newly homeless veterans per year.

106 13. Eight percent of King County residents live in rural communities.  
107 King County's rural residents consistently report difficulty in accessing the  
108 network of federal, state, county and philanthropically funded health and  
109 human services. Travelling to urban centers to seek services is difficult or  
110 impractical for many persons from rural communities who require health

111 and human services.

112 14. At least fourteen thousand persons experience domestic violence each  
113 year in King County. Survivors of domestic violence experience  
114 disproportionately high rates of homelessness and experience an average  
115 of more than nineteen civil legal problems, more than twice the average  
116 experienced by the general low-income population.

117 15. Approximately three to five hundred youth are sexually exploited  
118 within King County each year. Commercial sexual exploitation of  
119 children remains a poorly understood yet urgent challenge for King  
120 County residents to confront.

121 16. More than one hundred thousand persons with physical, intellectual or  
122 developmental disabilities live in Washington. More than seventy percent  
123 of persons with a disability live with a family caregiver, and twenty-three  
124 percent of those family caregivers are aged sixty or older with an  
125 additional thirty-five percent aged forty-one or older.

126 17. Eighteen percent of King County residents are aged sixty or older, a  
127 number that will increase to twenty-five percent of the county population  
128 by 2040. As seniors make up an increasing percentage of King County's  
129 population, funding for senior services is not keeping pace. Funding  
130 through the federal Older Americans Act, as well as state and county  
131 funding for seniors, is falling. Philanthropic funding for seniors is also  
132 waning. The result is a trend toward reduced senior funding just as King  
133 County's population of seniors is increasing.

134 18. Seventy-eight percent of persons sixty or older have one or more  
135 chronic health conditions. Thirty-five percent are women living alone.  
136 Nine percent are living in poverty. Racial, ethnic and place-based  
137 disproportionalities unevenly distribute these conditions and risk factors  
138 across King County.

139 19. Elder abuse is a growing challenge. The King County prosecuting  
140 attorney's office reported more than seven thousand allegations of abuse  
141 and neglect of seniors in King County in 2015.

142 20. The responsibility to care for vulnerable seniors impacts all  
143 generations. One-third of today's King County residents who are sixty-  
144 five or older will need some form of long-term care service or support in  
145 the future. That work will in many cases require assistance from unpaid  
146 caregivers, including spouses, adult children and acquaintances.

147 21. Seniors, many of whose incomes are fixed, find it increasingly  
148 difficult to afford to live in the King County communities they helped  
149 nurture and build as housing costs increase dramatically.

150 22. Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer seniors in King County  
151 are at extreme risk of the health-harming effects of social isolation and  
152 poverty, with nearly one quarter of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and  
153 queer seniors in King County living below two hundred percent of the  
154 federal poverty level, forty-five percent living alone and sixty-eight  
155 percent reporting having experienced three or more incidents of  
156 victimization or discrimination.

157 23. Adults aged sixty-five and older comprised eighty percent of the more  
158 than two thousand people who were hospitalized for falls in King County  
159 between 2008 and 2012. The rate of death of seniors hospitalized for falls  
160 is more than seven times the county average. In 2015, more than fifteen  
161 percent of King County emergency medical services' call responses were  
162 for seniors who had fallen.

163 24. Actual and perceived social isolation are both associated with  
164 increased risk for premature death. The influence of social isolation on  
165 the risk of death is comparable with risk factors for mortality such as  
166 smoking. Social isolation's influence on risk of premature death exceeds  
167 that of physical inactivity and obesity. Adults seventy-five and older who  
168 are lonely, socially isolated and inactive have a mortality rate of fifty-three  
169 percent compared to a mortality rate of thirty percent among their age  
170 peers who are not lonely, inactive, or socially isolated.

171 25. Since its inception in 2006 and through its renewal in 2011, the  
172 veterans and human services levy has served hundreds of thousands of  
173 veterans, military personnel, their families and other individuals and  
174 families in need. In addition to the veterans and human services levy's  
175 achievements, changed conditions and newly emerging needs present  
176 additional opportunities to set the conditions for persons in King County  
177 to fulfill their potential. Given the levy's track record of success and the  
178 additional need within the community, it is appropriate to ask the voters to  
179 replace the current veterans and human services levy with the veterans,

180 seniors and human services levy provided for in this ordinance.

181 26. In 2010, the county adopted Ordinance 16857, establishing the King  
182 County Strategic Plan. In 2015, the county council passed Motion 14317  
183 updating and revising King County's vision, mission, guiding principles  
184 and goals. Included within the county's goals are improving the health and  
185 well-being of all people in King County, increasing access to quality  
186 housing that is affordable to all, implementing alternatives to divert people  
187 from the criminal justice system and ensuring that county government  
188 operates efficiently and effectively and is accountable to the public. The  
189 county's guiding principles command that pursuit of the county goals  
190 should address the root causes of inequities to provide equal access for all;  
191 engage with partners, stakeholders and public and private organizations to  
192 achieve goals; align funding, policy and operational goals of King County  
193 government; and provide effective, efficient local governance and services  
194 to unincorporated areas.

195 27. In 2016, the council adopted implementation plans for the best starts  
196 for kids levy and the mental illness and drug dependency sales tax  
197 renewal. Both plans expressed the council's and the executive's intent to  
198 design, implement and evaluate strategies that are outcomes-oriented. It is  
199 the county's intent that the veterans, seniors and human services levy  
200 provided for in this ordinance, if approved by voters, shall have an  
201 outcomes orientation that appropriately aligns with the plans for the best  
202 starts for kids levy and the mental illness and drug dependency sales tax.

203 28. King County actively engages in equity and social justice efforts to  
204 eliminate racially and ethnically disparate health and human services  
205 outcomes in King County, and this priority shall guide the council and the  
206 executive in the process of designing, administering, and evaluating the  
207 policies and programs related to the veterans, seniors and human services  
208 levy, if approved by voters.

209 29. It is the intent of the county that over the course of the six-year levy  
210 the majority of levy proceeds expended to build capital facilities under  
211 authority of this ordinance shall be for very low-income households of  
212 which the total income is no higher than thirty percent of the median  
213 income level for the county as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing  
214 and Urban Development or its successor agency. Specific very low-  
215 income threshold levels vary according to household size.

216 30. It is the intent of the county that the transition plan required in section  
217 7.A. of this ordinance provide a mechanism to continue, without  
218 interruption, currently funded regional health and human services to  
219 veterans and military servicemembers and their respective families, and  
220 other persons in King County; to provide substantial investments in  
221 housing stability early in the levy term; and to engage in planning  
222 activities until the new implementation plan is approved in accordance  
223 with section 7.B. of this ordinance.

224 31. It is the intent of the county that the implementation plan required by  
225 section 7.B. of this ordinance limit administrative expenses to five percent

226 of levy proceeds, the same limitation present in the existing veterans and  
227 human services levy.

228 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

229 SECTION 1. Definitions. The definitions in this section apply throughout this  
230 ordinance unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

231 A. "Caregiver" means a person who, without pay, cares for or supervises another  
232 person who requires such care or supervision due to disability, chronic illness or, in the  
233 case of a senior, age-related decline. Government-provided benefits or financial  
234 assistance provided directly to a person for being a caregiver are not considered pay  
235 within this definition.

236 B. "Levy" means the levy of regular property taxes for the specific purposes and  
237 term provided in this ordinance and authorized by the electorate in accordance with state  
238 law.

239 C. "Levy proceeds" means the principal amount of moneys raised by the levy and  
240 any interest earnings on the moneys.

241 D. "Limit factor" for purposes of calculating the levy limitations in RCW  
242 84.55.010, means one hundred three percent.

243 E. "Military servicemember" means a person who is serving as either an active  
244 duty or a reservist member of the U.S. Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force or Coast Guard,  
245 or in the National Guard.

246 F. "Regional health and human services" means a wide range of those services,  
247 programs, operations and capital facilities that promote outcomes relating to healthy  
248 living, housing stability, financial stability, social engagement, service system

249 improvement and service system access to meet basic human needs and promote healthy  
250 living and communities including, but not limited to:

251 1. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that promote  
252 housing stability or that contribute to making homelessness rare, brief and one-time by  
253 creating housing, preserving or modifying existing housing or supporting persons in  
254 gaining or maintaining housing, including an assistance program to support persons who  
255 qualify for a property tax exemption under RCW 84.36.381;

256 2. Those health care and health promotion services, programs and operations  
257 that encourage healthy lifestyles and wellness, promote healthy aging, support recovery,  
258 improve physical and behavioral health for individuals and families, promote suicide  
259 prevention efforts, reduce unintentional injury and support survivors of domestic  
260 violence;

261 3. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that promote social  
262 engagement and community building such as senior centers for individuals and groups in  
263 culturally, geographically, economically or linguistically isolated communities and for  
264 others such as seniors experiencing or at risk of social isolation and its health-harming  
265 effects;

266 4. Those services and programs that promote financial stability or financial  
267 mobility, including access to, preparation for and assistance in gaining or maintaining  
268 employment, income, education and financial literacy, including an assistance program to  
269 support persons who qualify for a property tax exemption under RCW 84.36.381;

270 5. Those services and programs that promote equitable and affordable access to  
271 child care in King County, including but not limited to services and programs that

272 promote equitable and affordable access to child care for families of veterans and military  
273 servicemembers;

274 6. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that promote and  
275 support diversion away from the criminal justice system, and services and programs that  
276 promote and support criminal justice system-linked services or other services that assist  
277 individuals, including children, youth and young adults, and their families, in preventing,  
278 mitigating or recovering from the effects of their involvement with the criminal justice  
279 system, including services that promote restorative justice or reentry to society after  
280 incarceration or detention, such as services aimed at supporting justice system-involved  
281 individuals to attain or retain housing;

282 7. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that improve or  
283 expand the delivery of health and human services, improve health and human services  
284 system access and navigability, reduce or prevent the disparate or traumatic effects of  
285 systems upon vulnerable populations, build the capacity and support the operations of  
286 health and human services providers to serve their clients and communities, including  
287 strategies to promote retention, recruitment and pay of high quality service providers and  
288 build the capacity of communities to partner with King County;

289 8. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that improve or  
290 expand the delivery of civil legal aid to vulnerable populations;

291 9. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that further a goal of  
292 allowing seniors to age in place and enjoy a high quality of life in their own homes; and

293 10. Those services, programs, operations and capital facilities that improve and  
294 expand services for youth in crisis.

295 G. "Senior" means a person who is at least fifty-five years old.

296 H. "Veteran" means a person who has served as either an active duty or a  
297 reservist member of the U.S. Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force or Coast Guard, or in the  
298 National Guard.

299 I. "Vulnerable population" means persons or communities that are susceptible to  
300 reduced health, housing, financial or social stability outcomes because of current  
301 experience of or historical exposure to trauma, violence, poverty, isolation, bias, racism,  
302 stigma, discrimination, disability or chronic illness. Examples of vulnerable populations  
303 include, but are not limited to survivors of domestic violence; survivors of sexual assault;  
304 survivors of human trafficking, including labor trafficking and sex trafficking; survivors  
305 of commercial sexual exploitation; persons who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual,  
306 transgender, queer or intersex; persons with a disability; African Americans and other  
307 persons of color who have been disproportionately impacted by policies and practices  
308 resulting in housing instability or housing insecurity; family caregivers for persons with a  
309 disability; immigrants and refugees; low-income residents of rural communities; persons  
310 living in poverty; persons at risk of or experiencing homelessness; youth involved in the  
311 child welfare system, including youth in the foster care system, and young adult alumni  
312 of the child welfare system; minors who have been separated from both parents and other  
313 relatives and are not being cared for by an adult who, by law or custom, is responsible for  
314 doing so; persons reentering society from criminal justice system involvement; and  
315 persons at risk of criminal justice system involvement due to disproportionate practices of  
316 enforcement, mental illness or substance use disorders.

317 SECTION 2. Levy submittal to the voters. To provide necessary moneys for

318 the provision of regional health and human services to King County's veterans and  
319 military servicemembers and their respective families, seniors and their caregivers and  
320 vulnerable populations, and for limiting the impact of this levy on metropolitan park  
321 districts and fire districts due to prorationing mandated under RCW 84.52.010, the county  
322 council shall submit to the qualified electors of the county a proposition to replace an  
323 expiring levy and authorize a regular property tax levy in excess of the levy limitation  
324 contained in chapter 84.55 RCW for six consecutive years, at a rate not to exceed twelve  
325 cents per one thousand dollars of assessed value in the first year and collections  
326 commencing in 2018, with the 2018 levy amount serving as the base for annual increases  
327 limited by the limit factor.

328         SECTION 3. Deposit of levy proceeds. The levy proceeds shall be deposited in  
329 a special revenue fund, which fund shall be created by ordinance.

330         SECTION 4. Eligible expenditures.

331         A. If approved by the qualified electors of the county, except for three hundred  
332 thousand dollars of each year's levy proceeds reserved for the purposes set forth in  
333 subsection B. of this section, all levy proceeds shall be divided into three equal parts and  
334 used for the following purposes:

335             1. One third of those proceeds shall be used to plan, provide, administer and  
336 evaluate a wide range of regional health and human services and capital facilities for  
337 veterans and military servicemembers and their respective families. In this levy's first  
338 year, at least fifty percent of the proceeds described in this subsection shall be used to  
339 fund those capital facilities and regional health and human services that promote housing  
340 stability for veterans and military servicemembers and their respective families. In

341 subsequent years, at least twenty-five percent of the proceeds described in this subsection  
342 shall be used to fund those capital facilities and regional health and human services that  
343 promote housing stability for veterans and military servicemembers and their respective  
344 families;

345           2. One third of those proceeds shall be used to plan, provide, administer and  
346 evaluate a wide range of regional health and human services and capital facilities for  
347 seniors and their caregivers and to promote healthy aging in King County. In this levy's  
348 first year, at least fifty percent of the proceeds described in this subsection shall be used  
349 to fund those capital facilities and regional health and human services that promote  
350 housing stability for seniors. In subsequent years, at least twenty-five percent of the  
351 proceeds described in this subsection shall be used to fund those capital facilities and  
352 regional health and human services that promote housing stability for seniors; and

353           3. One third of those proceeds shall be used to plan, provide, administer and  
354 evaluate a wide range of regional health and human services and capital facilities for  
355 vulnerable populations. In this levy's first year, at least fifty percent of the proceeds  
356 described in this subsection shall be used to fund those capital facilities and regional  
357 health and human services that promote housing stability for vulnerable populations. In  
358 subsequent years, at least twenty-five percent of the proceeds described in this subsection  
359 shall be used to fund those capital facilities and regional health and human services that  
360 promote housing stability for vulnerable populations.

361           B.1. Of the levy proceeds annually reserved in subsection A. of this section, the  
362 council may by ordinance authorize the expenditure of those levy proceeds to reduce the  
363 levy's impact on metropolitan park districts and fire districts to the extent their levies may

364 be prorated as mandated by RCW 84.52.010 and to the extent the prorationing was  
365 caused by this levy. Metropolitan park districts and fire districts shall use any moneys  
366 received under authority of this subsection B. to fund, within their districts, regional  
367 health and human services for veterans and military servicemembers and their respective  
368 families, seniors and their caregivers and vulnerable populations.

369 2. Unless the council by ordinance otherwise directs, reserved levy proceeds not  
370 expended as authorized in subsection B.1. of this section shall be, no earlier than June 1,  
371 2023, divided in thirds and one third expended for each of the purposes set forth in  
372 subsection A.1. through 3. of this section.

373 **SECTION 5. Call for special election.** In accordance with RCW 29A.04.321,  
374 the King County council hereby calls for a special election to be held in conjunction with  
375 the general election on November 7, 2017, to consider a proposition authorizing a regular  
376 property tax levy for the purposes described in this ordinance. The King County director  
377 of elections shall cause notice to be given of this ordinance in accordance with the state  
378 constitution and general law and to submit to the qualified electors of the county, at the  
379 said special county election, the proposition hereinafter set forth. The clerk of the council  
380 shall certify that proposition to the director of elections in substantially the following  
381 form, with such additions, deletions or modifications as may be required for the  
382 proposition listed below by the prosecuting attorney:

383 PROPOSITION\_\_\_; The King County Council has passed Ordinance  
384 \_\_\_\_\_ concerning funding for veterans, seniors and vulnerable  
385 populations. If approved, this proposition would replace an expiring levy  
386 and fund capital facilities and regional health and human services for

387 veterans and military servicemembers and their respective families,  
388 seniors and their caregivers, and vulnerable populations, including  
389 domestic violence survivors and persons with disabilities. It would  
390 authorize King County to levy an additional property tax for six years  
391 beginning in 2018 at a rate of \$0.12 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, the  
392 2018 levy amount being the base for subsequent annual increases of up to  
393 3%.

394 Should this proposition be:

395 Approved? \_\_\_\_\_

396 Rejected? \_\_\_\_\_

397 **SECTION 6. Governance.**

398 A. No later than August 23, 2017, the executive shall develop and transmit a plan  
399 for council review and approval by ordinance to create and prescribe the composition and  
400 duties of a board or boards to provide oversight of the expenditure of the proceeds  
401 described in section 4.A. of this ordinance. The creation of the board or boards shall be  
402 contingent upon voter approval of the ballot proposition described in section 5 of this  
403 ordinance.

404 B. The board or boards shall be charged to oversee the distribution of levy  
405 proceeds consistent with section 4.A. of this ordinance and to report annually to the  
406 executive and council on the fiscal and performance management of the levy. The plan  
407 may describe additional matters on which the board or boards are empowered to provide  
408 advice to the executive and county council.

409 C. The proposed ordinance required by this section may be combined with the

410 proposed ordinance required by section 7.A. of this ordinance.

411 **SECTION 7. Implementation planning.**

412 A. No later than August 23, 2017, the executive shall transmit for council review  
413 and approval by ordinance a proposed transition plan for the veterans, seniors and human  
414 services levy. Contingent upon voter approval of the ballot proposition described in  
415 section 5 of this ordinance, a transition plan, for spending of levy proceeds in 2018 or  
416 later years as authorized under this ordinance, should address the following elements:

417 1. A recommended course of action that would minimize service discontinuity  
418 for veterans and military servicemembers and their respective families and other  
419 individuals and families in need during the transition between the veterans and human  
420 services levy and the veterans, seniors and human services levy;

421 2. Any proposed new staffing and planning activities required to plan for and  
422 administer the veterans, seniors and human services levy during the 2018 transition  
423 period, and prior to the adoption of the implementation plan required in subsection 7.B.  
424 of this ordinance; and

425 3. A plan for the portion of veterans, seniors and human services first-year  
426 proceeds required in subsections 4.A.1. through 3. of this ordinance to fund those capital  
427 facilities and regional and human services that promote housing stability for veterans,  
428 seniors and vulnerable populations. The executive shall develop and include a definition  
429 of housing stability that shall address but not be limited to: the appropriate percentage  
430 that housing costs should represent of a person's income as compared to costs of other  
431 necessities, such as food, clothing, transportation and medical care; risk factors for  
432 housing instability or housing insecurity; and housing safety and quality.

433 B. Contingent upon voter approval of the ballot proposition described in section 5  
434 of this ordinance and no later than March 16, 2018, the executive shall transmit an  
435 implementation plan for the veterans, seniors and human services levy for council review  
436 and adoption by ordinance. The implementation plan shall describe the expenditure of  
437 levy proceeds to achieve outcomes related to healthy living, housing stability, financial  
438 stability, social engagement, service system improvement and service system access for  
439 veterans and military servicemembers and their respective families, seniors and their  
440 caregivers and vulnerable populations, consistent with the eligible expenditures described  
441 in section 4 of this ordinance. This plan shall include a definition of housing stability for  
442 the purposes of expenditures of levy proceeds that shall address but not be limited to: the  
443 appropriate percentage that housing costs should represent of a person's income as  
444 compared to costs of other necessities, such as food, clothing, transportation and medical  
445 care; risk factors for housing instability or housing insecurity; and housing safety and  
446 quality. The definition may be refined from the definition included in the transition plan  
447 required in subsection A. of this section. The plan shall include identification of services,  
448 programs, operations and capital facilities that build the capacity and support the  
449 operations of health and human services providers to serve their clients and communities,  
450 including strategies to promote retention, recruitment and pay of high quality service  
451 providers. The plan shall also identify and describe: accountability measures, including  
452 measurable outcomes or results expected for each of the three populations, which are  
453 veterans, seniors and vulnerable populations, across each of the five outcome areas,  
454 which are healthy living, housing stability, financial stability, social engagement, service  
455 system improvement and service system access, due to the expenditure of levy funds; a

456 regular performance monitoring program that will assess and report on how well the  
457 veterans, seniors and human services levy is achieving those outcomes; and how this  
458 veterans, seniors and human services levy program-specific performance monitoring and  
459 reporting will be coordinated with performance monitoring and reporting on other  
460 dedicated human service funds, such as the best starts for kids fund and the mental illness  
461 and drug dependency fund. The plan should describe how performance monitoring and  
462 reporting will focus on results and not simply on numbers served.

463 C. No levy proceeds may be expended until the council adopts by ordinance the  
464 transition plan referenced in subsections 7.A.1. through 3. of this ordinance. Until the  
465 council approves by ordinance the implementation plan referenced in subsection 7.B. of  
466 this ordinance, the transition plan, approved under subsection 7.A. of this ordinance, shall  
467 govern the expenditure of levy proceeds. After adoption of the implementation plan, it  
468 shall govern the expenditure of levy proceeds and the transition plan shall no longer have  
469 force or effect.

470 SECTION 8. It is the intent of the council that the additional regular property  
471 taxes authorized by this ordinance shall be included in any real property tax exemption  
472 authorized by RCW 84.36.381, including any amendment that is adopted by the state  
473 legislature during the term of this levy.

474 **SECTION 9. Ratification.** Certification of the proposition by the clerk of the  
475 county council to the director of elections in accordance with law before the general  
476 election on November 7, 2017, and any other act consistent with the authority and before  
477 the effective date of this ordinance are hereby ratified and confirmed.

478 SECTION 10. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or its application

479 to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the  
480 application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected."

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482 **EFFECT:**

483 **Makes technical changes and corrects typographical errors.**

July 5, 2017

10 cents to S1



Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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1 AMENDMENT TO STRIKING AMENDMENT S1 TO PROPOSED ORDINANCE

2 2017-0232, VERSION 3

3 On page 15, line 324, after "rate not to exceed" strike "twelve" and insert "ten"

4 On page 18, line 391, after "at a rate of" strike "\$0.12" and insert "\$0.10"

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6 **EFFECT: *Changes the levy rate from 12 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value to 10 cents.***