



**KING COUNTY**  
**Signature Report**

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

**November 18, 2015**

**FCD Resolution**

**Proposed No. FCD2015-12.1**

**Sponsors**

1           A RESOLUTION relating to the finances of the King County  
2           Flood Control Zone District; authorizing a property tax levy to  
3           implement the District's 2016 budget; reserving banked capacity;  
4           and protecting up to \$.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value of the  
5           District's property tax levy from proration.

6           WHEREAS, every year, King County faces threats from flooding, the impacts of  
7           which are far-reaching and pose significant threats to public health and safety and  
8           economic activities throughout the county; and

9           WHEREAS, the one hundred-year floodplain in the county covers more than  
10          25,000 acres or almost forty square miles; and

11          WHEREAS, more than five hundred flood protection facilities throughout the  
12          county protect property with an estimated assessed value of more than \$7,000,000,000;  
13          and

14          WHEREAS, flood control facilities provide vital protection to the regional  
15          economy; and

16          WHEREAS, one of the most fundamental functions of government is to protect  
17          citizens and public and private property from the ravages of natural disasters, such as  
18          flooding; and

19 WHEREAS, the board of supervisors ("Board") of the King County Flood  
20 Control Zone District ("District"), after holding a hearing on November 16, 2015, and  
21 after duly considering all relevant testimony presented, desires to increase its property tax  
22 revenue from the previous year by one percent, in addition to the additional amounts  
23 permitted under RCW 84.55.010, if any, resulting from new construction, improvements  
24 to property, newly constructed wind turbine, solar, biomass and geothermal facilities, any  
25 increase in the value of state-assessed property, any annexations that have occurred, and  
26 refunds made; and

27 WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary to protect the District's tax levy from  
28 prorationing by imposing up to \$0.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value of the levy outside of  
29 the \$5.90 per \$1,000 assessed value limitation under RCW 85.52.043(2);

30 WHEREAS, the Board duly considering all relevant evidence and testimony  
31 presented, determined that the District requires a regular levy in the amount of  
32 \$54,946,171, which includes an increase in property tax revenue from the previous year,  
33 and amounts resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to  
34 property and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, and amounts  
35 authorized by law as a result of any annexations that have occurred and refunds made, in  
36 order to discharge the expected expenses and obligations of the district and in its best  
37 interest; now, therefore,

38 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE KING  
39 COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT:

40 SECTION 1. The District's actual levy amount from the previous year was  
41 \$53,571,768. An increase in the regular property tax levy is hereby authorized for the

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42 levy to be collected in the 2016 tax year. The dollar amount of the increase over the  
43 actual levy amount from the previous year shall be \$535,718, which is a percentage  
44 increase of one percent from the previous year. This increase is exclusive of additional  
45 revenue resulting from new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed  
46 wind turbine, solar, biomass and geothermal facilities, any increase in the value of state-  
47 assessed property, any annexations that have occurred, and refunds made.

48         SECTION 2. As authorized by RCW 84.55.092, the District continues to reserve  
49 its “banked capacity” for future regular tax levies of the District.

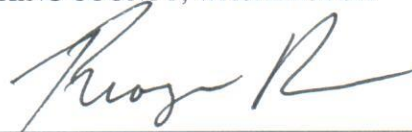
50         SECTION 3. Pursuant to RCW 84.52.815, the District shall protect the property  
51 tax levy of Section 1 of this Resolution from prorationing under RCW 84.52.010 by  
52 imposing up to \$0.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value of such tax levy outside of the \$5.90

53 per \$1000 of assessed value limitation under RCW 84.52.043, if the taxes raised by such  
54 tax levy would otherwise be prorated under RCW 84.52.010.  
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FCD Resolution was introduced on and passed by the King County Flood Control District on 11/16/2015, by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Lambert,  
Mr. Dunn, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski and Mr. Upthegrove  
No: 0  
Excused: 1 - Ms. Hague

KING COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



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Reagan Dunn, Chair

ATTEST:



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Anne Noris, Clerk of the District

**Attachments:** None