



# KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Signature Report

### FCD Resolution

**Proposed No.** FCD2020-23.1

**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 2021 budget; reserving banked capacity;  
4                   and protecting up to \$0.25 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 county  
12                  protect property with an estimated assessed value of more than \$7,000,000,000, and

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

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

18                  WHEREAS, the board of supervisors of the King County Flood Control Zone  
19                  District ("the District"), after holding a hearing on November 4, 2020, and after duly

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20 considering all relevant testimony presented, desires to increase its property tax revenue  
21 from the previous year by the additional amounts permitted under RCW 84.55.010, if  
22 any, resulting from new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind  
23 turbine, solar, biomass and geothermal facilities, any increase in the value of state-  
24 assessed property, any annexations that have occurred, and refunds made, and

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

28 WHEREAS, the board of supervisors duly considering all relevant evidence and  
29 testimony presented, determined that the District requires a regular levy in the amount of  
30 \$58,403,522, and amounts resulting from the addition of new construction and  
31 improvements to property and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, and  
32 amounts authorized by law as a result of any annexations that have occurred and refunds  
33 made, in order to discharge the expected expenses and obligations of the district and in its  
34 best interest;

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF  
36 SUPERVISORS OF THE KING COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT:

37 SECTION 1. The District's actual levy amount from the previous year was  
38 \$58,241,513. An increase in the regular property tax levy is hereby authorized for the  
39 levy to be collected in the 2021 tax year. The dollar amount of the increase over the  
40 actual levy amount from the previous year shall be \$0, which is a percentage increase of  
41 zero percent from the previous year. This increase is exclusive of additional revenue  
42 resulting from new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind

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44 assessed property, any annexations that have occurred, and refunds made.

45         SECTION 2. As authorized by RCW 84.55.092, the District continues to reserve  
46 its "banked capacity" for future regular tax levies of the District.

47         SECTION 3. Pursuant to RCW 84.52.815, the District shall protect the property  
48 tax levy of section 1 of this resolution from prorationing under RCW 84.52.010 by  
49 imposing up to \$0.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value of such tax levy outside of the \$5.90

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50 per \$1,000 of assessed value limitation under RCW 84.52.043, if the taxes raised by such  
51 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 11/4/2020, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Ms. Balducci, Mr. Dembowski, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Kohl-Welles, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Upthegrove, Mr. von Reichbauer and Mr. Zahilay

KING COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE  
DISTRICT  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Dave Upthegrove, Chair

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Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Board

**Attachments:** None