ORDINANCE NO. 17-12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZING A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE IN TERMS OF BOTH DOLLARS AND PERCENTAGES AS REQUIRED BY RCW 84.55.120.

WHEREAS, the city council of the City of Covington has met and considered its budget for the calendar year 2013; and

WHEREAS, the city's actual levy amount from the previous year was $2,303,323; and

WHEREAS, the population of the city is more than 10,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. An increase in the regular property tax levy is hereby authorized for the levy to be collected in the 2013 tax year. The dollar amount of the increase over the actual levy amount from the previous year shall be $23,033.00, which is a percentage increase of one percent (1.0%) from the previous year. The increase is in addition to revenue resulting from new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbines, any increase in the value of state assessed property, any annexations that have occurred, and refunds made.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after proper posting and publication. A summary of this ordinance may be published in lieu of publishing the ordinance in its entirety.

Section 3. If any provision of this ordinance, or ordinance modified by it, is determined to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions of this ordinance and ordinances and/or resolutions modified by it shall remain in full force and effect.

ADOPTED by the City of Covington City Council at a regular meeting thereof held on the 27th day of November, 2012.

Margaret Harto

Mayor Margaret Harto

ATTESTED:

Sharon Scott, City Clerk

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Sara Springer, City Attorney