

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, WASHINGTON, STATING THE CITY COUNCIL'S SUPPORT OF KENT FIRE DEPARTMENT REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY'S PROPOSITION 1 ON THE APRIL 26, 2016, SPECIAL ELECTION BALLOT.

WHEREAS, the City of Covington is a participating jurisdiction in the Kent Fire Department Regional Fire Authority (the "Kent RFA"); and

WHEREAS, the City of Covington agrees with the Kent RFA governing board that the benefit charge, established in conjunction with a lower level of property taxes, provides the most stable, reliable and cost effective method for financing the services the Kent RFA provides to its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Kent RFA Governing Board previously adopted a resolution to place Proposition No. 1 on the April 26, 2016, King County Special Election Ballot for voters within the Kent RFA district; and

WHEREAS, Kent RFA's Proposition No. 1 proposes to continue voter-authorized benefit charges each year for six years, not to exceed an amount equal to sixty percent of Kent RFA's operating budget, and that Kent RFA would be prohibited from imposing an additional property tax under RCW 52.26.140(1)(C); and

WHEREAS, the approval of Kent RFA's Proposition No. 1 is essential and necessary for the protection of the health and life of the residents of the district;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council, after receiving public comment at an open and regular meeting, hereby supports Kent Fire Department Regional Fire Authority Proposition No. 1, as placed on the April 26, 2016, King County Special Election Ballot.

Section 2. The City Council hereby urges citizens to vote yes on Kent Fire Department Regional Fire Authority Proposition No. 1 on the April 26, 2016, King County Special Election Ballot.

PASSED in open and regular session on this 23rd day of February 2016.

ATTESTED:


SHARON SCOTT, CITY CLERK


MAYOR JEFF WAGNER

APPROVED AS TO FORM ONLY:


SARA SPRINGER, CITY ATTORNEY