Study Session of the Board of Directors

Pioneer Middle School, 1750 Bob's Hollow Lane, DuPont, WA

Wednesday, October 13, 2021 06:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER (Action)

a. Pledge of Allegiance
b. Roll Call
c. Approval of Agenda

II. TOPIC FOR BOARD DISCUSSION

A. SHSD Video Presentation (Information)

B. SHSD Levy (Discussion)

Draft Resolution 882-10-27-21 Levy.pdf (p. 2)

C. Board Draft Resolution Proposal (Discussion)

D. January 12, 2022 Study Session Agenda Items (Discussion)

1. **Review of Board Operating Protocol**
2. **Redistricting**
3. **Other Topics**

III. ADJOURNMENT (Action)

STEILACOOM HISTORICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON

REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS LEVY

RESOLUTION NO. 882-10-27-21

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Steilacoom Historical School District No. 1, Pierce County, Washington, providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the District at a special election to be held therein on February 8, 2022, of the proposition of whether excess taxes should be levied of $7,000,000 in 2022 for collection in 2023, $9,600,000 in 2023 for collection in 2024, $9,875,000 in 2024 for collection in 2025, and $10,150,000 in 2025 for collection in 2026, said excess taxes to pay part of the educational enrichment and operations support of the District.

ADOPTED: OCTOBER 27, 2021

PREPARED BY:

PACIFICA LAW GROUP LLP
Seattle, Washington

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WHEREAS, Steilacoom Historical School District No. 1, Pierce County, Washington (the "District"), for the past four years has had in effect an educational program and operations levy in order to enable the District to pay for its educational programs and services, including teaching, school supplies, athletics, buildings and transportation; and

WHEREAS, the current educational programs and operations levies expire next year; and

WHEREAS, in 2017 the Washington State Legislature passed the Basic Education Funding Act (Laws of 2017, 3d Spec. Sess., ch. 13) which makes changes to education funding in the state, including re-designating maintenance and operations levies as "enrichment levies," placing limits on levied amounts and directing the deposit of taxes levied commencing in 2020 to a sub-fund of the General Fund; and

WHEREAS, the money in and to be paid into the General Fund or any sub-fund of the General Fund of Steilacoom Historical School District No. 1, Pierce County, Washington, (the "District") during the 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025, 2025-2026, and 2026-2027 school years will be insufficient to enable the District to pay for necessary educational enrichment programs and operations and to properly meet the educational needs of the students attending District schools; and

WHEREAS, in order to properly provide for such educational enrichment programs and operations and such educational needs, the Board of Directors of the District deems it necessary to levy taxes upon all of the taxable property within the District in excess of the maximum annual tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington require that the question of whether or not such excess taxes may be levied must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF STEILACOOM HISTORICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. The following taxes for the District's General Fund should be levied upon all of the taxable property within the District in excess of the maximum annual tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors:

A. $7,000,000, said levy to be made in 2022 for collection in 2023;
B. $9,600,000, said levy to be made in 2023 for collection in 2024;
C. $9,875,000, said levy to be made in 2024 for collection in 2025; and
D. $10,150,000, said levy to be made in 2025 for collection in 2026.

The exact levy rate and the actual amounts to be collected shall be adjusted based upon (1) the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy and (2) the legal limit on the levy rate and levy amount applicable at the time of the levy. At this time, based upon information provided by the Pierce County Assessor's Office, the estimated levy rate for the 2022 levy is $1.45 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, the estimated levy rate for the 2023 levy is $1.93 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, the estimated levy rate for the 2024 levy is $1.93 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, and the estimated levy rate for the 2025 levy is $1.93 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation.

Upon approval by the voters of the proposition substantially in the form set forth below, the District may use the proceeds of said levies during the 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025, 2025-2026, and 2026-2027 school years, may incur an indebtedness by the issuance of short term obligations against the General Fund of the District, as authorized by Chapter 39.50 RCW, and may expend the proceeds of said levies to pay for eligible activities in accordance with the Basic Education Funding Act, as it may be amended and supplemented, and other applicable law.

Section 2. It is hereby found and declared that the best interests of the District require the submission to the qualified electors of the District of the proposition of whether or not the District shall levy such excess tax for their ratification or rejection at a special election to be held therein on February 8, 2022.

The Pierce County Auditor, as ex officio supervisor of elections in Pierce County, Washington, is hereby requested to call and conduct said special election to be held within the District on said date and to submit to the qualified electors of the District the proposition substantially in the form hereinafter set forth. The Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized and directed to certify said proposition substantially in the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

STEILACOOM HISTORICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS LEVY

The Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 882-10-27-21 concerning educational funding. If approved, Proposition No. 1 will authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to provide support for educational programs and daily operations in addition to the State's statutory program of basic education:

Collection Years	Estimated Levy Rate/$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2023	$1.45	$7,000,000
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2025	$1.93	$9,875,000
2026	$1.93	$10,150,000

Should this proposition be approved?

YES..... ☐

NO..... ☐

The Secretary of the Board of Directors of the District is hereby directed to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Pierce County Auditor.

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution will become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Steilacoom Historical School District No. 1, Pierce County, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 27th day of October, 2021.

STEILACOOM HISTORICAL SCHOOL
DISTRICT NO. 1, PIERCE COUNTY,

WASHINGTON

_____
President and Director

_____
Director

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Director

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Director

_____
Director

ATTEST:

_____
Secretary, Board of Directors

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Directors of Steilacoom Historical School District No. 1, Pierce County, Washington, (the "District") and keeper of the records of the Board of Directors (the "Board"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

1. That the attached resolution is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 882-10-27-21 of the Board (the "Resolution"), duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 27th day of October, 2021.

2. That said meeting was duly convened and held in all respects in accordance with law, [including but not limited to Washington State Governor Inslee's emergency proclamation No. 20-28 issued on March 24, 2020, as amended and supplemented, temporarily suspending portions of the Open Public Meetings Act (chapter 42.30 RCW),] and to the extent required by law, due and proper notice of such meeting was given; that a legal quorum was present throughout the meeting and a legally sufficient number of members of the Board voted in the proper manner for the adoption of said Bond Resolution; that all other requirements and proceedings incident to the proper adoption of said Bond Resolution have been duly fulfilled, carried out and otherwise observed; and that I am authorized to execute this certificate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this _____ day of _____, 2021.

_____
Secretary, Board of Directors

OFFICIAL BALLOT
STEILACOOM HISTORICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON
February 8, 2022

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: To vote in favor of the following proposition, place a cross (X) in the square opposite the words "YES"; to vote against the following proposition, place a cross (X) in the square opposite the words "NO."

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Should this proposition be approved?

YES..... ☐

NO..... ☐

NOTICE
STEILACOOM HISTORICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON
February 8, 2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 8, 2022, a special election will be held by mail ballot in the above-named school district for the submission to the qualified electors of said school district of the following proposition:

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YES..... ☐

NO..... ☐

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Pierce County Auditor