CITY OF YELM
RESOLUTION NO. 676

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YELM, WASHINGTON, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR YELM COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PROPOSITION NO. 1, MAINTAIN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATIONS LEVY, TO BE PRESENTED TO VOTERS AT THE NOVEMBER 3, 2026, GENERAL ELECTION.

WHEREAS, Yelm Community Schools serves students and families residing within the City of Yelm and the surrounding community and is an important public institution within the Yelm community; and

WHEREAS, the quality and availability of educational programs, student activities, health and safety services, and other school services contribute to the well-being of students, families, and the community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, on August 3, 2026, the Board of Directors of Yelm Community Schools voted to place an Educational Programs and Operations Levy before the voters at the November 3, 2026, general election; and

WHEREAS, the measure will appear on the ballot as Proposition No. 1 – Maintain Educational Programs and Operations Levy and, if approved by the voters, will provide local funding for educational programs and operations that are not fully funded through state or federal sources; and

WHEREAS, the proposed two-year levy is estimated to collect $11,194,449 in 2027 and $12,278,072 in 2028, at an estimated levy rate of $1.50 per $1,000 of assessed property value; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that the decision whether to approve Proposition No. 1 ultimately rests with the voters of Yelm Community Schools; and

WHEREAS, RCW 29B.45.010 permits an elected legislative body to take action at an open public meeting to express a collective decision or to support or oppose a ballot proposition, provided that the meeting notice includes the title and number of the ballot proposition and members of the legislative body or members of the public are afforded an approximately equal opportunity for the expression of an opposing view; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered Proposition No. 1 at an open public meeting for which notice identified the title and number of the ballot proposition and at which an approximately equal opportunity was provided for the expression of an opposing view;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YELM, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Support for Proposition No. 1. The Yelm City Council hereby expresses its support for Yelm Community Schools Proposition No. 1 – Maintain Educational Programs and Operations Levy, appearing on the November 3, 2026, general election ballot.

Section 2. Purpose and Limitations. This Resolution constitutes the collective position of the Yelm City Council adopted pursuant to RCW 29B.45.010. Nothing in this Resolution authorizes the use of City facilities, staff time, funds, equipment, mailing lists, publications, or other City resources for campaign purposes except as otherwise permitted by law.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Yelm, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof this 13th day of October 2026.

CITY OF YELM

Joe DePinto, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathy Linnemeyer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Brent Dille, City Attorney

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Meeting Date: October 13, 2026

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

City of Yelm, Washington

AGENDA ITEM: **RESOLUTION NO. 676 – SUPPORTING YELM COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PROPOSITION NO.1 – Maintain Educational Programs and Operations Levy**

COMMITTEE REVIEW: **YES** **X** **NO**

ATTORNEY REVIEW/APPROVAL: **X YES** ☐ **NO** ☐ **N/A**

PROPOSED MOTION:

Move to approve Resolution No. 676 supporting Yelm Community Schools Proposition No. 1.

KEY FACTS AND INFORMATION SUMMARY:

- On August 3, 2026, the Board of Directors of Yelm Community Schools voted to place an Educational Programs and Operations Levy before the voters on the November 3, 2026,general election.
- The quality and availability of educational programs, student activities, health and safety services, and other school services contribute to the well-being of students, families, and the community as a whole.
- RCW 29B.45.010 permits an elected legislative body to take action at an open public meeting to express a collective decision or to support or oppose a ballot proposition, provided that the meeting notice includes the title and number of the ballot proposition and members of the legislative body or members of the public are afforded an approximately equal opportunity for the expression of an opposing view
- The agenda for the October 13, 2026, open public meeting identifies the title and number of the ballot proposition and equal opportunity will be provided for the expression of an opposing view.
- The City Council expressed its support for Yelm Community Schools Proposition No. 1 at the October 6, 2026, Study Session, and requested that a Resolution expressing formal support be included on the October 13, 2026, regular meeting agenda for a vote of the Council.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Resolution No. 676