



KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO.16
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RESOLUTION NO. 24-03
FIRE BENEFIT CHARGE RESOLUTION
Certification of Imposition of the 2025 Fire Benefit Charge

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 52.18, the Board of Fire Commissioners (“Board”) of King County Fire Protection District No. 16 (“District”) is authorized to fix and impose a fire benefit charge on personal property and improvements to real property, which are located within the District on the date specified, and which have received or will receive benefits provided by the District, to be paid by the owners of the property; and

WHEREAS, at a special election on February 12, 2019, the voters of the District authorized the imposition of a fire benefit charge for a period of six years commencing in 2020, not to exceed an amount equal to 60 percent of its operating budget; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 52.18.060(2), the Board is required to conduct an annual review of the fire benefit charge and hold a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Board duly noticed and held a public hearing on November 5, 2024 and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the public hearing on November 5, 2024 and after reviewing and considering the testimony and evidence provided, the Board determined it was necessary to impose a fire benefit charge on personal property and improvements to real property within the District for calendar year 2025; and

WHEREAS, the District’s fire benefit charge amount from the previous year was \$7,520,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is resolved by the Board of Fire Commissioners of King County Fire Protection No. 16:

1. That fire benefit charges take into consideration the insurance savings resulting from the provision of benefits by the District, the amount of fire protection required by the property and the special services provided to the properties by the District; and
2. That the Board determined that the methodology utilized to calculate the fire benefit charges reasonably takes into consideration the facts and circumstances of each property for which a fire benefit charge is imposed, and further that each individual fire benefit charge is reasonably proportioned to the measurable benefits to the property resulting from the services afforded by the District; and

3. That the amount of the fire benefit charge to be collected in 2025 is hereby established to not exceed \$5,475,000; and
4. That as part of the 2025 budget adoption a *decrease* in the proposed aggregate fire benefit charge is hereby authorized for 2025 in the amount of \$2,045,000, which is a percentage *decrease* of approximately 27 percent from the previous year; and
5. That the proposed fire benefit charge will be imposed on the affected properties beginning January 1, 2025; and
6. That the property owners will be notified, in writing, of the amount of the fire benefit charge to be imposed on their property prior to the implementation of the provisions of RCW 52.18.070 establishing a Fire Benefit Charge Review Board.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Board of Fire Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 16, King County, Washington, at a special meeting thereof, held on November 19th, 2024.

NORTHSHORE FIRE DEPARTMENT

King County, Washington

Attest:

Amy Oakley

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Secretary to the Board

Lisa Wollum

LISA WOLLUM, Chair

Eric Adman

ERIC ADMAN, Commissioner

Tyler Byers

TYLER BYERS, Commissioner

Rick Webster

RICK WEBSTER, Commissioner

Josh Pratt

JOSH PRATT, Commissioner

CERTIFICATE

I, Amy Oakley, the Secretary of the Board of Fire Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 16, King County, Washington, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a special meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of said Department, duly held at a special meeting place thereof on November 19, 2024 of which meeting all members of said Board had due notice, and at which a majority thereof was present; and that at said meeting said Resolution was adopted by the following vote:

AYES , and in favor thereof, Commissioners:	5
NAYS , Commissioners:	0
ABSENT , Commissioners:	0
ABSTAIN , Commissioners:	0

I further certify that I have carefully compared the same with the original Resolution on file and of record in my office; that said Resolution is a full, true and correct copy of the original Resolution adopted at said meeting; and that said Resolution has not been amended, modified or rescinded since the date of its adoption, and is now in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 19th day of November, 2024.

NORTHSHORE FIRE DEPARTMENT
King County, Washington

Amy Oakley

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Secretary to the Board of Fire Commissioners