

COUPEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 204
ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON

BUILDING EXCELLENCE CAPITAL PROJECTS LEVY

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-12

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Coupeville School District No. 204, Island 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 a proposition to authorize the district to levy an additional tax to provide a total of \$6,000,000 for the District's Capital Projects Fund for repair, improvement, modernization and/or expansion of district facilities, such levies to be made for two years commencing in 2022 for collection in the school years from 2022-2023 and 2024-2025.

ADOPTED November 22, 2021

PREPARED BY:

K&L GATES LLP
Seattle, Washington

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WHEREAS, the educational facilities of Coupeville School District No. 204, Island County, Washington (the "District"), are in need of repair, renovation, construction, improvements, and expansion to meet the current and future educational programs for its students; and

WHEREAS, funds available to the District will be insufficient to enable the District to implement such projects; and

WHEREAS, in order to support the cost of these projects as found necessary by the Board of Directors, it is deemed advisable that the District levy a tax upon all the taxable property within the District in excess of the annual tax the District is permitted by law to levy without a vote of the people, such levy to be made for two years commencing in 2022 for collection in the school years from 2022-2023 and 2024-2025, inclusive, as authorized by Article VII, Section 2 of the State Constitution and RCW 84.52.053; and

WHEREAS, the question of whether or not such excess tax may be levied must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection; and

WHEREAS, the conditions here and above set forth which requires the holding of a special election in the District; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF COUPEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 204, ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON as follows:

Section 1. Finding. It is hereby found and declared that the welfare of the students and other residents of the District requires the District to carry out the improvements hereinafter provided.

Section 2. Authorization of Improvements. The District shall use levy proceeds only for the purpose of repairing, updating, and improving District facilities as identified as follows:

1. Planning costs for Elementary School renovation or replacement
2. HVAC replacement and repair at the Elementary – original Multipurpose Room; Middle School dampeners and Secondary Annex;
3. Exterior repairs and painting for all District buildings;
4. Additional improvements to Engle Field, such as relocating the Softball field, installation of restroom facilities and path and parking lot improvements; and
5. Repaving all existing parking lots.

In addition, the District shall make other necessary capital equipment purchases and facility improvements to modernize District facilities and safety systems.

The District may repay any obligations hereafter incurred for the foregoing purposes.

If available funds are sufficient, the District shall acquire, construct, equip and make other capital improvements to the facilities of the District, all as the Board of Directors finds necessary; provided that such funds may be used only to support the construction, modernization, replacement, and remodeling of district facilities.

If the District determines that it has become impracticable to accomplish any of such improvements or portions thereof by reason of changed conditions or needs, incompatible development, costs substantially in excess of those estimated, or acquisition by a superior governmental authority, the District shall not be required to accomplish such improvement and may apply levy proceeds as set forth in this section. If any or all of the improvements have been completed, or their completion duly provided for, or their completion found to be impractical, the District may apply the levy proceeds or any portion thereof to other portions of the improvements or to other capital purposes of the District, as the District in its discretion shall determine.

Notwithstanding any provision of this resolution to the contrary, levy proceeds may only be used to support the construction, modernization or remodeling of district facilities and property.

Section 3. Authorization of Levies. It is hereby found and declared that best interests of the District require the submission to the qualified electors of the District of the proposition whether the District shall make the Capital Projects Fund levies for their ratification or rejection at a special election to be held on February 8, 2022. For the purpose of providing funds necessary for the needs described in Section 2 above, Island County Auditor, as *ex officio* supervisor of elections in Island County, is hereby requested to call and conduct such special election to be held within the District on such day and to submit to the qualified electors of the District for their approval or rejection, a proposition providing for tax levies for the Capital Projects Fund for two years, commencing in 2022, producing dollar amounts at estimated tax rates per thousand dollars of assessed value to produce such amounts, in excess of the maximum

amount tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors, all as follows:

- A. \$3,000,000, said levy to be made in 2022 for collection in 2023; and
- B. \$3,000,000 said levy to be made in 2023 for collection in 2024;

The estimated levy rate depends upon the final dollar amount of assessed value of the property within the District. At this time, based upon information provided by the County Assessor’s office, the estimated levy rate for the 2022 levy is \$1.051 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation and the estimated levy rate for the 2023 levy is \$1.031 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy.

Section 4. Approval of Form of Ballot. The Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized and directed to certify said proposition to Island County Auditor, as *ex officio* supervisor of elections in Island County, substantially in the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 3

COUPEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 204
BUILDING EXCELLENCE CAPITAL PROJECTS LEVY

The Board of Directors of Coupeville School District adopted Resolution No. 2021-12 concerning educational facilities needs. This proposition would authorize the repair, improvement, modernization and/or expansion of district facilities; other authorized capital projects; and the following excess levies for such purposes on all taxable property within the District:

Collection Years	Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2023	\$1.051	\$3,000,000
2024	\$1.031	\$3,000,000

Should this proposition be approved?

YES.....

NO

The Secretary of the Board of Directors of the District is hereby authorized and directed to deliver certified copies of this resolution to Island County Auditor.

Section 5. Notices Relating to Ballot Title. For purposes of receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot title required by RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates (a) the District's Business Manager (Denise Peet), telephone: 360.678.2407; email: dpeet@coupeville.k12.wa.us; and (b) special counsel, K&L Gates LLP, telephone: 206.370.7801; email: cynthia.weed@klgates.com, as the individuals to whom the Auditor shall provide such notice. The Executive Director of Finance and Operations is authorized to approve changes to the ballot title, if any, deemed necessary by the Auditor or the Island County Prosecuting Attorney.

Section 6. Voters' Pamphlet. Pursuant to RCW 29A.32, the Board of Directors hereby confirms the District's participation in the local voters' pamphlet for the February 8, 2022 election, which shall be prepared and published by the Island County Auditor, including, but not limited to, an explanatory statement reviewed and approved by the District's attorney, and, if available, a Statement For and a Statement Against. The District understands and agrees that it will be required to pay its proportionate share of the expenses of the voters' pamphlet.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Coupeville School District No. 204, Island County, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof, held this 22nd day of November, 2021.

COUPEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 204
ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON

President and Director

Christine Sears

Director

Glenda Yerville

Director

Shung A Phay

Director

[Signature]

Director

ATTEST:

[Signature]

Secretary, Board of Directors

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Directors of Coupeville School District No. 204, Island 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. 2021-12 of the Board (the "Resolution"), duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 22nd day of November, 2021.

2. That said meeting was duly convened and held in all respects in accordance with law, 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 the Resolution; that all other requirements and proceedings incident to the proper adoption of the 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 22nd day of November, 2021.


Secretary, Board of Directors

OFFICIAL BALLOT
COUPEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 204
ISLAND 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 word "YES"; to vote against the following proposition, place a cross (X) in the square opposite the word "NO."

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Should this proposition be approved?

YES.....

NO

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION
COUPEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 204
ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON
February 8, 2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 8, 2022, a special election will be held 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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Should this proposition be approved?

YES.....

NO

Island County Auditor

Election Date: February 8, 2022

Name of Jurisdiction Submitting Measure: Coupeville School District No. 204, Island County, Washington

Contact Name: Cynthia Weed

Daytime Contact Phone Number: 206.370.7801

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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT - PROPOSITION NO. 3

The Coupeville School District seeks voter approval to authorize a building excellence capital facilities levy. If approved, the proposition authorizes the collection of excess taxes in 2023 and 2024, totaling \$6,000,000. The levy will provide funds for planning costs for the Elementary School renovation or replacement; HVAC replacement and repair at the Elementary School for the original multipurpose room, and at the Middle School for dampeners and Secondary Annex; exterior repairs and painting for all District buildings; additional improvements to Engle Field, such as relocating the softball field, installation of restroom facilities, and path and parking lot improvements; and repaving all existing parking lots. The levy also includes funds to make other necessary capital equipment purchases and facility improvements to modernize District facilities and safety systems.

If authorized by the voters and based on projected assessed valuation information, estimated levy rates per \$1,000 of assessed value would be \$1.051 (2023 collection) and \$1.031 (2024 collection).

Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify, call the Island County Assessor at (360) 679-7303.

