WASHOUGAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 112-6 CLARK AND SKAMANIA COUNTIES, WASHINGTON

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ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 21, 2023

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF WASHOUGAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 112-6, CLARK AND SKAMANIA COUNTIES, WASHINGTON, as follows:

- Section 1. Findings and Determinations. The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Washougal School District No. 112-6, Clark and Skamania Counties, Washington (the "District"), takes note of the following facts and makes the following findings and determinations:
- (a) Calendar year 2023 is the last year of collection of the District's current three-year Capital Projects Fund tax levy, which was authorized pursuant to Resolution No. 2019-20-04, adopted by the Board on November 26, 2019, and approved by the voters at a special election held and conducted within the District on February 11, 2020.
- (b) The existing condition of technology equipment, infrastructure and systems, and other capital equipment, health and safety concerns, and the institution of new instructional programs require the District to support the modernization and remodeling of school facilities by making educational technology, health and safety improvements throughout existing school facilities, all as more particularly defined and described in Section 2 herein (collectively, the "Projects").
- (c) With the expiration of the District's current three-year Capital Projects Fund tax levy, it appears certain that the money in the District's Capital Projects Fund will be insufficient to permit the District to pay costs of the Projects, and that it is necessary that a replacement excess tax levy of \$950,000 be made in 2023 for collection in 2024, \$3,950,000 be made in 2024 for collection in 2025, and \$4,150,000 be made in 2025 for collection in 2026 for the District's Capital Projects Fund to provide the money required to pay those costs.
- (d) The proposed three-year Capital Projects Fund tax levy authorized in this resolution will replace the District's expiring three-year Capital Projects Fund tax levy.
- (e) Pursuant to Article VII, Section 2(a) of the Washington Constitution and Revised Code of Washington ("RCW") 84.52.053, the District may submit to its voters at a special election,

for their approval or rejection, a proposition authorizing the District to levy annual excess property taxes to pay costs of the Projects.

- (f) The best interests of the District's students and other inhabitants require the District to carry out and accomplish the Projects.
- Section 2. <u>Description of the Projects</u>. The Projects to be paid for with the excess property taxes authorized herein are more particularly defined and described as follows:
- (a) Make educational technology, health and safety improvements throughout existing school facilities, including, but not limited to: (1) acquiring, installing, implementing and modernizing educational technology equipment, infrastructure, systems and facilities, providing related staff training and support to implement such technology improvements, and making other improvements and upgrades to the District's technology systems and facilities; (2) upgrading, acquiring, installing and implementing building access controls and other safety and security systems; (3) making federal Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA") accessibility improvements for main entrances; (4) replacing or repairing boilers and roofs, and other mechanical equipment and systems as needed throughout the District; (5) modernizing flooring; and (6) making other educational technology, health, safety and other facility improvements to existing school facilities, all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board. The foregoing educational technology equipment, infrastructure, improvements and upgrades shall be part of the District's integrated technology systems and facilities for instruction and research.
- (b) Acquire, construct and install all necessary furniture, equipment, apparatus, accessories, fixtures and appurtenances in or for the foregoing, all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board.
- (c) Pay costs associated with implementing the foregoing technology equipment and infrastructure, including, but not limited to, acquiring, constructing and installing hardware and licensing software, online applications and training related to the installation of the foregoing, all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board. Such costs constitute a part of the Projects and also include, but are not limited to, ongoing fees for online applications, subscriptions, or software licenses, including upgrades and incidental services, and ongoing training related to the use, installation and integration of these products and services, all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board. The hardware, software or applications shall be an integral part of the District's technology systems and facilities for instruction and research.
- (d) Pay incidental costs incurred in connection with carrying out and accomplishing the Projects. Such incidental costs constitute a part of the Projects and include, but are not limited to: (1) payments for fiscal and legal costs; (2) costs of establishing and funding accounts; (3) necessary and related engineering, architectural, planning, consulting, permitting, inspection and testing costs; (4) administrative and relocation costs; (5) site acquisition and improvement costs; (6) demolition costs; (7) costs related to demolition and/or deconstruction of existing school facilities to recycle, reclaim and repurpose all or a portion of such facilities and/or building materials; (8) costs of on and off-site utilities and road improvements; and (9) costs of other similar activities or purposes, all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board.

The Projects, or any portion or portions thereof, shall be acquired or made insofar as is practicable with available money and in such order of time as shall be determined necessary and advisable by the Board. The Board shall determine the application of available money between the various parts of the Projects so as to accomplish, as near as may be, all of the Projects. The Board shall determine the exact order, extent and specifications for the Projects. The Projects are to be more fully described in the plans and specifications to be filed with the District.

Section 3. Calling of Election. The Auditor of Clark County, Washington, as ex officio Supervisor of Elections (the "Auditor"), and the proper officer of the county to which the District belongs pursuant to chapter 28A.323 RCW, is requested to call and conduct a special election in the manner provided by law to be held in the District on April 25, 2023, for the purpose of submitting to the District's voters, for their approval or rejection, the proposition authorizing a replacement Capital Projects Fund excess property tax levy on all of the taxable property within the District (the assessed value of such representing 100% of true and fair value unless specifically provided otherwise by law) to be made annually for three years commencing in 2023 for collection in 2024 of \$950,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$0.21 per \$1,000 of assessed value, in 2024 for collection in 2025 of \$3,950,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$0.84 per \$1,000 of assessed value, and in 2025 for collection in 2026 of \$4,150,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$0.85 per \$1,000 of assessed value, all in excess of the maximum tax levy allowed by law for school districts without voter approval. The exact tax levy rate may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District at the time of the tax levy.

Section 4. <u>Use of Taxes</u>. If the proposition authorized by this resolution is approved by the requisite number of voters, the District will be authorized to levy the excess property taxes provided in this resolution to pay costs of the Projects, all as may be authorized by law and determined necessary and advisable by the Board. Pending the receipt of those taxes, the District may issue short-term obligations pursuant to chapter 39.50 RCW or contract indebtedness pursuant to RCW 28A.530.080. Upon receipt, the District may use those taxes to repay such short-term obligations or indebtedness, all as may be authorized by law and determined necessary and advisable by the Board.

Section 5. Sufficiency of Taxes. If the excess property taxes authorized herein are more than sufficient to carry out the Projects, or should state or local circumstances require any alteration in the Projects, the District may apply such taxes to other capital purposes, or reduce or eliminate the excess property tax levies authorized herein, all as the Board may determine by resolution and as permitted by law.

If the Board determines that it has become impractical to accomplish the Projects or any portion thereof by reason of state or local circumstances, including changed conditions or needs, regulatory considerations, incompatible development or costs substantially in excess of those estimated, or for any other reason determined by the Board, the District will not be required to accomplish such Projects and may apply the excess property taxes authorized herein or any portion thereof to other capital purposes of the District, or reduce or eliminate the excess property taxes authorized herein, all as the Board may determine by resolution and as permitted by law. In the event that the excess property taxes, plus any other money of the District legally available therefor, are insufficient to accomplish all of the Projects, the District may use the available money for paying the

cost of that portion of the Projects that the Board determines most necessary and in the best interests of the District.

Notwithstanding anything in this resolution to the contrary, the excess property taxes authorized herein may be used only to support the construction, modernization or remodeling of school facilities.

Section 6. Form of Ballot Title. Pursuant to RCW 29A.36.071, the Clark County Prosecuting Attorney, as the county prosecuting attorney of the county within which the majority area of the District is located, is requested to prepare the concise description of the aforesaid proposition for the ballot title in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 13

WASHOUGAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 112-6

REPLACEMENT CAPITAL LEVY FOR EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

The Board of Directors of Washougal School District No. 112-6 adopted Resolution No. 2022-23-08, concerning a proposition to finance educational technology, health and safety improvements. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to acquire and install educational technology equipment and infrastructure and provide technology support, upgrade building access controls, make ADA accessibility improvements, replace/repair boilers and roofs, and modernize flooring:

	Estimated Levy	
	Rate/\$1,000	
Collection Year	Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2024	\$0.21	\$950,000
2025	\$0.84	\$3,950,000
2026	\$0.85	\$4,150,000

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all as provided in Resolution No. 2022-23-08. Should this proposition be approved?

	YES 🗆	LEVY	
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<u>Necessary Duties.</u> The Secretary to the Board (the "Secretary") or the Secretary's designee is authorized and directed to: (a) present a certified copy of this resolution to the Auditor and the Auditor of Skamania County, Washington, no later than February 24, 2023; and (b) perform such other duties as are necessary or required by law to submit to the District's voters at the aforesaid special election, for their approval or rejection, the proposition authorizing the District to levy annual excess property taxes to pay costs of the Projects.

Section 8. 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 and Operations Director (Kristine Grindy), telephone: 360.954.3003; email: kris.grindy@washougalsd.org; and (b) special counsel, Foster Garvey P.C. (Jim McNeill), telephone: 206.447.5339; email: immcneill@foster.com, as the individuals to whom the Auditor and the Auditor of Skamania County, Washington, shall provide such notice. The Secretary is authorized to approve changes to the ballot title, if any, deemed necessary by the Auditor or the Clark County Prosecuting Attorney.

Section 9. Execution; General Authorization and Ratification. This resolution may be executed by the Directors being present and voting in favor of the resolution, or only the President of the Board (the "President"), and attested by the Secretary, in tangible medium, manual, facsimile or electronic form under any security procedure or platform, and notwithstanding any other District resolution, rule, policy or procedure, or in any other manner evidencing its adoption. The Secretary, the District's Business and Operations Director, the President, and the District's special counsel, Foster Garvey P.C., are hereby further severally authorized and directed to take such actions and to create, accept, execute, send, use and rely upon such tangible medium, manual, facsimile or electronic documents, records and signatures under any security procedure or platform, and notwithstanding any other District resolution, rule, policy or procedure, as in their judgment may be necessary or desirable to effectuate the provisions of this resolution. All actions taken prior to the effective date of this resolution in furtherance of and not inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution are ratified and confirmed in all respects.

Section 10. Severability. If any provision of this resolution is declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, then such provision shall be null and void and shall be separable from the remaining provisions of this resolution and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this resolution or of the levy or collection of excess property taxes authorized herein.

Section 11. Effective Date. This resolution takes effect from and after its adoption.

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ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Washougal School District No. 112-6, Clark and Skamania Counties, Washington, at a special open public meeting, of which due notice was given as required by law, held this 21st day of February, 2023.

WASHOUGAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 112-6 CLARK AND SKAMANIA COUNTIES, WASHINGTON

President and Director

Vice President and Director

Director

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Director

ATTEST:

DR. MARY TEMPLETON

Secretary to the Board of Directors

CERTIFICATION

I, DR. MARY TEMPLETON, Secretary to the Board of Directors of Washougal School District No. 112-6, Clark and Skamania Counties, Washington (the "District"), hereby certify as follows:

- 1. The foregoing Resolution No. 2022-23-08 (the "Resolution") is a full, true and correct copy of the Resolution duly adopted at a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board") held at its regular meeting place on February 21, 2023 (the "Meeting"), as that Resolution appears in the records of the District, and the Resolution is now in full force and effect; and
- 2. Written notice specifying the time, place and noting the business to be transacted (the "Notice") was given to all members of the Board by mail, fax, electronic mail or by personal delivery at least 24 hours prior to the Meeting, a true and complete copy of the Notice is attached hereto as Appendix 1;
- 3. The Notice was also posted on the District's website and prominently displayed at the main entrance of the District's Administrative Office and the entrance to the special meeting location at least 24 hours prior to the Meeting;
- 4. The Notice was also given by mail, fax, electronic mail or by personal delivery at least 24 hours prior to the Meeting to each local radio or television station and to each newspaper of general circulation that has on file with the District a written request to be notified of special meetings and to any others to which such notices are customarily given by the District; and
- 5. The Meeting was duly convened and held in all respects in accordance with law, a quorum of the members of the Board was present throughout the Meeting, and a sufficient number of members of the Board present voted in the proper manner for the adoption of the Resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 21st day of February, 2023.

WASHOUGAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 112-6 CLARK AND SKAMANIA COUNTIES,

WASHINGTON

DR. MARY TEMPLETON

Secretary to the Board of Directors

APPENDIX 1 COPY OF NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Meeting Dates

Unless otherwise noted, board meetings will be held in person in the District Board Room at webinar. Please follow the fink to agendal below for details on how to participate in the 4855 Evergreen Way, and the district will continue to provide remote access via zoom on line meeting

Public Comment Process:

meeting, zoom attendees may sign up by emailing kort.kelly@washougalsd.org by 3:00 p.m. Public comment at regular business meetings will be available to both in-person and zoom on the day of the meeting, and written comments received by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the attendees. Sign up cards for in-person attendees will be available prior to the start of the meeting will also be accepted and forwarded to the board.

February 21, 2023 (link to agenda)

6:30 p.m. Special Board Meeting

Board Conferences

WASA/WSSDA/WASBO Legislative Conference & Day on the Hill February 26-27, 2023 in Olympia, WA

Board Site Visits

Hathaway Elementary and Washougal Learning Academy; April 19, 2023 12:30 p.m. Canyon Creek Middle School: February 24, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. emtegaard Middle School: February 10, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. Columbia River Gorge Flementary: May 2 2023 10:00 a m Gause Elementary School: March 16, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.









Tuesday, February 21, 2023 Board of Directors Special Meeting Agenda

WASHOUGAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 112-06
Special Meeting 6:30 p.m.
District Office & Online Zoom Meeting
https://washougalsd-org.zoom.us/j/83308525451
Or Telephone: US: +1 253 215 8782 or +1 253 205 0468 or +1 669 444 9171
Webinar ID: 833 0852 5451

1. Opening Items - Special Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

A. Call to Order, Special Meeting - Pledge of Allegiance

2. Informational Presentation

A. Levy Rates Discussion

3. Proposals for Action & Comments

- A. Resolution No. 2022-23-05: Replacement Educational Programs & Operations Levy
- B. Resolution No. 2022-23-06:Replacement Educational Programs & Operations Levy
- C. Resolution No. 2022-23-07: Replacement Educational Programs & Operations Levy
- D. Resolution No. 2022-23-08: Replacement Capital Levy for Educational Technology, Health & Safety Improvements
- E. Resolution No. 2022-23-09: Replacement Capital Levy for Educational Technology, Health & Safety Improvements
- F. Resolution No. 2022-23-10: Replacement Capital Levy for Educational Technology
- G. Appointment of Pro/Con Committee Members for the Replacement Levies (EP & O Levy and Capital Levy)

4. Adjourn