

CITY OF CARNATION

ORDINANCE NO. ____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARNATION, WASHINGTON, FIXING THE AMOUNT OF THE ANNUAL AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX LEVY NECESSARY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Carnation City Council has met and considered its budget for fiscal year 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Carnation City Council is required, pursuant to Chapter 35A.33 RCW, within the time therein specified, to adopt an ordinance fixing the amount of ad valorem taxes to be levied for the ensuing year; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with RCW 84.55.120 and Chapter 35A.33 RCW, the City Council held a public hearing on November 3, 2015, to consider budget issues, including revenue sources and possible increases in property tax revenues; and

WHEREAS, the City of Carnation's actual levy amount from the previous year was \$254,476; and

WHEREAS, the population of the City of Carnation is less than 10,000; and

WHEREAS, the City Council after hearing and duly considering all relevant evidence and testimony presented has determined that there is a substantial need for a regular levy in the amount of \$269,767, which includes an increase of \$15,291 in property tax revenue from the previous year, and also reflects amounts resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, and amounts authorized by law as a result of any annexations that have that have occurred and refunds made, in order to discharge the expected expenses and

obligations of the City and in its best interest;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARNATION
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. 2016 Property Tax Levy. An increase in the regular property tax levy is hereby authorized for the levy to be collected in the 2016 tax year. The dollar amount of the increase over the actual levy amount from the previous year levy is \$2,553, which is a percentage increase of 1.00% from the previous year. This increase is exclusive of additional revenue resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state assessed property, and any additional amounts resulting from any annexations that have occurred and refunds made. The total 2016 property tax levy authorized by this ordinance shall be \$269,767.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance or a summary thereof consisting of the title shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after publication.

APPROVED by the Carnation City Council this 17th day of November, 2015.

MAYOR, JIM BERGER

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

CITY CLERK, MARY MADOLE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

BY _____
J. ZACHARY LELL

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: 11/09/2015
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: _____
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