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MEMORANDUM

To: Kurt Triplett, City Manager

From: Jim Lopez, Assistant City Manager
Kevin Raymond, City Attorney

Date: July 26, 2018

Subject: PROPOSED RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR SUBMISSION OF BALLOT PROPOSITION TO KIRKLAND VOTERS AUTHORIZING ONE-TENTH OF ONE PERCENT (0.1%) INCREASE IN SALES AND USE TAX TO FUND ENHANCED POLICE SERVICES AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council hold a Public Hearing the attached Resolution with any revisions from the study session conducted as part of the City Council special meeting on Monday, August 6, 2018. After receiving public comment, it is further recommended that the Council then consider taking action on the Resolution. If adopted, the Resolution would provide for the submission to the voters of Kirkland, at the November 6, 2018 election, of a proposition authorizing an increase in the sales and use tax of one-tenth of one percent (0.1%) of the selling price to fund enhanced police services and community safety measures on an ongoing basis beginning in 2019. Several amendments have been made to the Resolution based on public and Council comments at the public hearing held at the Council's July 17, 2018 regular meeting. Redlined and clean versions of the revised Resolution are attached hereto, and the revised Resolution has been reviewed by the City Attorney and outside legal counsel to ensure compliance with state law.

BACKGROUND DISCUSSION:

Safe, Inclusive and Welcoming Kirkland

The City Council declared Kirkland a Safe, Inclusive and Welcoming City in 2017. Among many other issues related to that goal, including immigration status, religious affiliation, non-discrimination and tolerance, Kirkland has been engaged in a series of civic conversations about community safety. In particular, the issue of gun safety has been significantly elevated in recent years due in large part to mass shootings in schools and at other locations in the United States.

The Council's goal of keeping Kirkland Safe, Inclusive and Welcoming is challenged as Kirkland experiences unprecedented economic growth and redevelopment. The Planning Department identifies over 4,500 residential units and over two million square feet of commercial and institutional development currently under construction or at some phase in the permitting process. This prosperity brings new jobs, shops, restaurants, services and housing options, but also more people, businesses and traffic. It also brings new types of commercial and residential structures to protect with police and fire services. Providing public safety services that match

this economic growth and redevelopment is further challenged by the expiration of the annexation sales tax credit in 2021, resulting in the loss of nearly four million dollars annually from the City's general fund. The City has implemented effective economic development strategies to replace the lost annexation sales tax revenue but the pace of growth is creating new demands for service beyond the potential revenues from those strategies.

At the Council's May 24, 2018 fiscal retreat, the Council received a financial forecast that projects deficits of \$8.4 million in the 2021/2022 biennium and \$17.9 million dollars in the 2023/2024 biennium, partially caused by the expiration of the annexation sales tax credit. Recognizing that adding additional public safety investments while faced with pending deficits was not financially sustainable, the Council, at the June 5, 2018 meeting, directed staff to engage the public on strategies to enhance police services and community safety in Kirkland as part of a potential two-step public safety ballot measure initiative. As generally described in the "Enhanced Safety for a Thriving City" document provided as Attachment A, Phase 1 of this strategy anticipates the possibility of a voter-approved sales tax measure in 2018 focused on police services, school safety and gun safety. Phase 2 of this strategy anticipates the possibility of a voter-approved property tax measure in 2020 for new fire stations, equipment and firefighters, as well as new and renovated fire stations to provide enhanced response times for fire and emergency medical services.

More detailed background on the potential for a two-phased ballot measure approach is included in the [June 5, 2018 staff report](#).

Public Safety Sales and Use Tax Ballot Measure Authorized by RCW 82.14.450

State law allows the City to increase the sales and use tax by up to 0.1% (one tenth of one percent) of the selling price by placing a measure on the ballot. The measure would require 50% plus one approval by voters. Fifteen percent (15%) of the tax proceeds must be shared with King County. Motor vehicle sales are exempt from the tax and one-third of funds received must be used "solely for criminal justice purposes, fire protection purposes, or both." The remainder may be used for any City purpose. The Finance Department estimates that the net revenue from this sales tax after factoring out car sales and the portion provided to King County would be approximately \$1.8 million annually. The Council has provided direction that all of the revenues from such a sales tax measure be used to improve public safety for the community.

Following Council direction, City staff has actively engaged with the Kirkland community and others on issues related to police services and community safety, including gun safety and safer schools. Those efforts have included meetings with concerned parents and students, town hall meetings, focus groups, interactive City social media, and public comment at Council meetings.

A detailed summary of those efforts and associated findings, entitled "Gun Safety and Community Safety Outreach Findings Report" was part of the July 17, 2018 Council meeting and the subject of a special presentation at the public hearing at that meeting. In addition, the City engaged the survey firm, EMC Research to conduct a statistically valid live telephone survey of Kirkland residents to help gauge community priorities around police and community safety, and also the preferred methods of funding identified priorities. Survey results were also presented at the July 17, 2018 Council meeting.

As a starting point for the discussions, staff drafted a proposed Resolution using implementation of Phase 1 of the "Enhanced Safety for a Thriving City" initiative as the framework.

The proposed Resolution would put to the voters of Kirkland, at the November 6, 2018 election, the question of whether the sales and use tax in Kirkland should be increased by one-tenth of

one percent (0.1%) of the selling price on applicable goods and services to fund the following police services and community safety priorities on an ongoing basis beginning in 2019 (and including estimated annual costs in 2019 dollars):

- A Police ProAct Unit consisting of (4) full-time police officers and one (1) support position focused on illegal drugs, car prowls, burglaries, mail theft, shoplifting, enforcing extreme protection orders and court-ordered gun forfeitures. (\$680K)
- Four (4) full-time school resource officers ("SROs") in Finn Hill Middle School, Kamiakin Middle School, Kirkland Middle School and the International Community School, with the costs shared equally by the City and the Lake Washington School District ("LWSD"). (\$320K)
- One (1) additional Neighborhood Resource Officer to focus on community policing, code enforcement and emergency calls involving mental health complications. (\$140K)
- One (1) full-time mental health professional to help resolve police and emergency medical calls involving individuals with mental health complications, including domestic violence, suicide attempts and assisting homeless individuals. This service might also be contracted rather than through the hiring of a new City employee (\$120K)
- Additional dedicated grant funding for the social and emotional health of children and teenagers and to expand existing mental health, human services and after-school programs that provide suicide prevention, domestic violence prevention and drug addiction services. (\$350K)
- New annual funding for firearms safety training in the community and safe storage of firearms, including subsidized trigger locks and gun safes. (\$100K)
- New annual funding to support women and family shelter operations, providing a safe place for women and families experiencing homelessness during their transition to stable housing. (\$100K)

As noted previously, City staff recommends a modest increase in the sales and use tax in Kirkland to continuously fund these investments. For context, the recommended sales and use tax increase of one-tenth of one percent (0.1%) would equate to 1 penny on a \$10 purchase or 10 cents on a \$100 purchase. These recommendations are consistent with community feedback, including the EMC survey results, which favored a sales tax increase over other new revenue-generating options.

City staff estimates that the annual costs of the identified enhanced police services, school safety and community safety measures identified above are approximately \$1.8 million in 2019 dollars, which is the approximate amount the recommended increase in the sales and use tax would raise annually.

If the Council wishes to place this proposition before the Kirkland voters in November, it would need to enact the proposed Resolution, or a substitute, at the August 6, 2018 special meeting. Under mandatory statutory timelines, August 7 (the date of this year's Primary Election in the state of Washington) is the deadline for the transmittal of an adopted resolution to King County Elections asking that the proposition be included on the November 6, 2018 ballot.

Revised Resolution

The changes to the draft Resolution proposed by staff are few, and shown in the attached redlined and clean versions of that revised document. The changes are summarized below:

- Amends a “whereas” provision to make explicit reference to the requirement of state law that at least one-third (1/3) of the money received from the sales tax increase be used “solely for criminal justice purposes, fire protection services, or both”;
- Indicates in Section 1, Purpose of Ballot Proposition, that the identified list of enhanced police and community safety services are those which the City “anticipates” would be funded beginning in 2019 subject to available resources;
- Deletes from Section 1 the estimated annual costs of those initial anticipated services as unnecessary to the Resolution (while nevertheless retained in this staff report for general information purposes);
- Repeats in Section 1 the requirement that at least one-third (1/3) of the money received from the sales tax increase be used solely for criminal justice purposes, fire protection services, or both and making it more explicit that the services provided over time will be those permitted under applicable state law and not necessarily static (e.g. subject to available resources and the City’s budget process);
- Deletes the words “AND USE” and adds the words “ENHANCED” and “SERVICES” to the capitalized caption in Section 3, Submission of Ballot Title to the County, directly above the ballot title and proposition in order to parallel the language already used in the proposition itself and to remain within the ten word limit required by state law; and
- Amends the ballot proposition to make it clear the delineated services are those which the City anticipates will be initially funded from the sales tax increase.

Summary

Once the Public Hearing has been conducted and closed, staff will be requesting direction from the Council on the following items:

- Should any edits be made to the proposed resolution and ballot title prior to final Council consideration?
- Should a ballot measure be placed on the November 6, 2018 ballot providing for enhanced police services and community safety?

Attachment A – Enhanced Safety for a Thriving City
Attachment B – Clean Version of Revised Resolution

ENHANCED SAFETY For a Thriving City



The Village at Totem Lake

Coming Soon to Kirkland



\$4 million / year
LOSS OF STATE ANNEXATION
AID IN 2021



4500
NEW HOUSING UNITS



1.5 Million
SQ. FT. OF OFFICE RETAIL



7600
NEW RESIDENTS



4500
NEW EMPLOYEES



Downtown Kirkland's mixed-use urban center: Kirkland Urban



Kirkland is blossoming. Our waterfront parks, strong schools, innovative companies, tree lined streets and small town feel is attracting new investment, new jobs, new shops, new restaurants and new housing options for all ages, incomes and abilities.

Public safety is our top priority. This new prosperity requires even better protection for new people and new buildings. New high rise structures require new training, new equipment and new firefighters to keep occupants safe. Cyber-crimes, mail theft, shoplifting and car prowls require new tools, new technologies and new officers to combat more sophisticated criminals. And more families moving to Kirkland means more children in schools that need to be protected from gun violence like suicide and mass shootings.

To learn more about the Council's idea to keep Kirkland safe, look on the back page.

ENHANCED SAFETY For a Thriving City



Keeping a Thriving City Safe

PHASE 1 – 2018. A voter-approved .1% sales tax (a penny on every \$10.00 purchase) measure focused on enhanced police service and community safety. Elements could include:

- **A new dedicated, proactive police unit** to focus on illegal drugs, car prowls, burglaries, mail theft, shoplifting, and enforcing extreme protection orders and court ordered gun forfeitures. Bellevue and Redmond have such units, and they are proven, effective teams that reduce crime.
- **Four new School Resource Officers (SROs)** in the International Community School, and Finn Hill, Kamiakin and Kirkland Middle Schools.
- **A new Neighborhood Resource Officer paired with dedicated Mental Health professionals** to help resolve police and fire calls with mental health complications including domestic violence, suicide attempts, assisting homeless persons, as well as code enforcement and non-emergency calls.
- **Additional dedicated funding for effective mental health and human services programs** that provide suicide prevention, domestic violence prevention, drug addiction services, and after school programs.
- **Dedicated funding for gun safety training** in the community, as well as safe storage of existing guns, such as subsidized trigger locks and gun safes.
- **Dedicated funding to reduce homelessness,** especially among women and families.

PHASE 2 – 2020. A voter-approved property tax measure for new fire stations, equipment and firefighters to provide enhanced response times for fire and emergency medical services. Elements could include:

- **Construction of a new Fire Station 27** located near Evergreen Health on the East side of I-405 to serve the Village at Totem Lake and surrounding developments.
- **Seismic renovation, modernization and expansion of Fire Station 26,** Fire Station 22, and Fire Station 21 which protect the central and south part of Kirkland.
- **Additional firefighters to fully staff new Fire Station 24** in North Juanita when completed in 2020.
- **New dedicated Aid Cars to respond to increasing medical calls,** especially among the growing elderly population.
- **New training center investments** respond to new high rise and mixed-use development to keep Kirkland firefighters the best trained and best equipped department in the region.

For more information, please contact David Wolbrecht at 425-587-3011 or dwolbrecht@kirklandwa.gov

RESOLUTION R-5324

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 2018 OF A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE TO THE SALES AND USE TAX IN KIRKLAND OF ONE-TENTH OF ONE PERCENT (0.1%) ON THE SELLING PRICE TO FUND ENHANCED POLICE SERVICES AND COMMUNITY SAFETY; SETTING FORTH THE TEXT OF THE BALLOT PROPOSITION; DIRECTING PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER PROPERLY RELATED MATTERS.

1 WHEREAS, the City Council ("Council) of the City of Kirkland,
2 Washington ("City") has declared Kirkland a Safe, Inclusive and
3 Welcoming City; and
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5 WHEREAS, the Council's goal of keeping Kirkland Safe, Inclusive
6 and Welcoming is challenged as Kirkland experiences unprecedented
7 economic growth and redevelopment, with over 4,500 residential units
8 and over two million square feet of commercial and institutional
9 development currently under construction or at some phase in the
10 permitting system, bringing new jobs, shops, restaurants, services and
11 housing options, as well as more people, businesses and traffic, and
12 new types of commercial and residential structures that need police and
13 fire services; and
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15 WHEREAS, providing public safety services that match this
16 economic growth and redevelopment is further challenged by the
17 expiration of the annexation sales tax credit in 2021, resulting in the
18 loss of nearly four million dollars annually from the City's general fund;
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21 WHEREAS, to help keep the community safe the Council, over
22 the past five years, completed both a Police Strategic Plan and a Fire
23 Strategic Plan to identify needed investments in staffing, equipment and
24 technology to provide for more proactive community policing and better
25 response times for fire and emergency medical services, as well as
26 needed renovation and expansion of existing fire stations and the
27 construction of a new, relocated Fire Station 27 east of I-405; and
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29 WHEREAS, while the 2017-2018 City Work Program originally
30 called for the exploration of potential property tax measures for fire
31 station modernization and public safety operations, the Council deferred
32 this item in December of 2017 to at least 2020 due to resident concerns
33 about current property tax levels due to state and regional actions; and
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35 WHEREAS, as the Council considers how to meet these
36 challenges during the 2019-2020 Biennial Budget process, staff is

37 using the adopted public safety strategic plans to guide the next round
38 of public safety investments; and

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40 WHEREAS, the Police Strategic Plan's top priorities are additional
41 patrol officers as well as the full funding and activation of a ProAct Unit
42 focused on illegal drugs, car prowls, burglaries, mail theft, shoplifting,
43 and other property crimes, as well as enforcing extreme protection
44 orders and court-ordered gun forfeitures; and

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46 WHEREAS, The ProAct Unit requires five (5) positions, including
47 four (4) ProAct Police Officers and a support staff position with an
48 approximate cost of \$680,000 per year in ongoing expenditures, in
49 addition to one-time investments for vehicles and equipment; and

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51 WHEREAS, a top staffing priority of the Fire Strategic Plan is to
52 add five (5) additional Firefighter/EMTs to fully staff new Station 24 in
53 Juanita when it is completed in 2020, at an additional cost of
54 approximately \$590,000 per year in ongoing expenditures; and

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56 WHEREAS, on February 14, 2018, a mass shooting occurred at
57 Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, resulting in
58 seventeen students and staff killed and seventeen others wounded,
59 reigniting conversations across the nation about actions that could be
60 taken to reduce gun violence in the country and sparking strong activism
61 from students and parents of school age children; and

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63 WHEREAS, local groups including Kirkland Indivisible, Kirkland
64 Safe, Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America, LWPTSA Council,
65 Alliance for Gun Responsibility, the Forward Together Network, the
66 Iman Center, Lake Washington Christian Church, Kirkland Interfaith
67 Network, and the Lutheran Peace Fellowship, have asked to the Council
68 to identify actions that Kirkland can take to reduce gun violence in
69 Kirkland and Washington State; and

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71 WHEREAS, on March 14, 2018, the City Council welcomed over
72 70 parents from various Kirkland schools to City Hall to discuss actions
73 that could be taken to keep students safe from gun violence, and on
74 March 21, 2018 the Lake Washington School District and the City hosted
75 a community discussion about school safety and community action at
76 Lake Washington High School Theater and both events included
77 requests of the Council to work through Kirkland's state legislative
78 delegation to move legislation related to firearms safety and firearms
79 regulation; and

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81 WHEREAS, also in response to the Parkland and other school
82 shootings, the Lake Washington School District has proposed to share
83 the cost of adding four (4) new full-time school resource officers, one
84 officer each in the Finn Hill Middle School, Kamiakin Middle School,

85 Kirkland Middle School and the International Community School, all in
86 Kirkland; and

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88 WHEREAS, on April 23, 2018, the City Clerk received a petition,
89 now formally designated as Petition G-18-233, calling for the Council to
90 adopt a gun safety resolution at the May 1, 2018, Council meeting with
91 an addendum including additional signatures presented on April 30,
92 2018 for a total of 184 signatures and 58 letters of support; and

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94 WHEREAS, the Council adopted Resolution R-5312 on May 1,
95 2018, calling for further community engagement on the topics of gun
96 safety and community safety to provide feedback to the Council ahead
97 of the formation of the City's 2019 state legislative agenda and
98 supplement outreach efforts for the 2019-2020 biennial budget and
99 2019-2020 City Work Program; and

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101 WHEREAS, Resolution R-5312 authorized the City Manager to:
102 seek the community's input on the topics of gun safety and community
103 safety through a Town Hall and additional engagement strategies;
104 research methods of promoting safe and responsible gun ownership at
105 the state and local levels; collaborate with public and private partners
106 on possible state and local legislation around gun safety and community
107 safety; and report the results of these efforts to the Council, no later
108 than July 17, 2018, including options for potential changes to City
109 ordinances and policies, City budget initiatives, and the City's state
110 legislative agenda based on the community engagement results; and

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112 WHEREAS, at the Council's May 24, 2018 fiscal retreat, the
113 Council received a financial forecast that projects deficits of \$8.4 million
114 in the 2021/2022 biennium and \$17.9 million dollars in the 2023/2024
115 biennium, partially caused by the annexation sales tax credit expiration;
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118 WHEREAS, to sustainably fund these police investments,
119 community safety investments, school district investments and fire
120 investments would therefore require new revenues or a significant
121 reprioritization of existing general fund programs such as parks
122 maintenance and street maintenance; and

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124 WHEREAS, at the May 24, 2018 fiscal retreat, the Council
125 directed to staff to engage the community through a survey, focus
126 groups and additional outreach on a two-phased public safety ballot
127 measure approach that includes a police services and community safety
128 sales tax measure in 2018 and fire and emergency medical services
129 property tax ballot measure in 2020 for fire facilities and staffing; and

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131 WHEREAS, police and community safety are significant elements
132 of the ongoing, local outreach efforts and the nationwide conversation

133 related to community safety, including in response to repeated acts of
134 gun violence, including in our community and schools and frequently
135 involving mental illness, domestic violence and suicides; and
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137 WHEREAS, on July 17, 2018, staff reported back to Council with
138 the results of the engagement program including a summary of the
139 community's desire for the City to take action now to implement
140 programs designed to make our schools safer, increase mental health
141 awareness programs, provide funding for firearms training and safe
142 storage programs, and improve the effectiveness of existing gun related
143 laws and policies, as well as the request by some members of the
144 community to effect changes to state and local legislation regulating
145 guns; and
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147 WHEREAS, in addition to a ProAct Unit and new school resource
148 officers, the City has identified that an effective action to reduce gun
149 violence includes the addition of one (1) full-time mental health
150 professional to help resolve police and emergency medical calls
151 involving individuals with mental health complications, including
152 domestic violence incidents, suicide attempts and assisting homeless
153 individuals; and
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155 WHEREAS, an additional effective action includes new dedicated
156 funding for the social and emotional health of children and teenagers,
157 and expanded funding for mental health, human services and after-
158 school programs that provide suicide prevention, domestic violence
159 prevention and drug addiction services; and
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161 WHEREAS, and additional effective action includes new annual
162 funding for firearms safety training in the community and safe storage
163 of firearms, including subsidized trigger locks and gun safes; and
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165 WHEREAS, a safe community must ensure that all residents, but
166 especially women and children, have adequate shelter and are safe from
167 hunger, illness, crime and weather exposure and a key component of
168 reducing homelessness is funding operations for the eastside women
169 and family shelter; and
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171 WHEREAS, the estimated annual cost of the police and
172 community safety priorities referenced above is \$1.8 million in 2019
173 dollars; and
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175 WHEREAS, RCW 82.14.450(2) authorizes the Council to submit
176 an authorizing proposition to the Kirkland voters at an election and, if
177 the proposition is approved by a majority of persons voting, to impose
178 an additional sales and use tax of up to one-tenth of one percent (0.1%)
179 of the selling price in the case of a sales tax or the value of the article
180 used in the case of a use tax, provided that one-third (1/3) of all money

181 received must be used solely for criminal justice purposes, fire
182 protection purposes, or both; and

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184 WHEREAS, such an increase in the sales tax in Kirkland is the
185 equivalent of one penny on every ten dollar purchase, and would
186 increase revenues to the City in the amount of approximately \$1.8
187 million per year in 2019 dollars.

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189 NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City
190 of Kirkland as follows:

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192 Section 1. **Purpose of Ballot Proposition.** The City
193 Council determines it to be in the public interest to fund, or in the case
194 of school resources officers to share equally in the funding together with
195 the Lake Washington School District, the following enhanced police and
196 community safety services beginning as soon as practicable. The City
197 anticipates that beginning in 2019, and within available resources, these
198 services would include:

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- 200 • A Police ProAct Unit consisting of (4) full-time police officers
- 201 and one (1) support position focused on illegal drugs, car
- 202 prowls, burglaries, mail theft, shoplifting, enforcing extreme
- 203 protection orders and court-ordered gun forfeitures.
- 204 • Four (4) full-time school resource officers (“SROs”) in Finn
- 205 Hill Middle School, Kamiakin Middle School, Kirkland Middle
- 206 School and the International Community School, with the
- 207 costs shared equally by the City and the Lake Washington
- 208 School District (“LWSD”).
- 209 • One (1) additional Neighborhood Resource Officer to focus
- 210 on community policing, code enforcement and emergency
- 211 calls involving mental health complications.
- 212 • One (1) full-time mental health professional to help resolve
- 213 police and emergency medical calls involving individuals with
- 214 mental health complications, including domestic violence,
- 215 suicide attempts and assisting homeless individuals. This
- 216 service might also be contracted rather than hiring a new
- 217 City employee.
- 218 • Additional dedicated grant funding for the social and
- 219 emotional health of children and teenagers and to expand
- 220 existing mental health, human services and after-school
- 221 programs that provide suicide prevention, domestic violence
- 222 prevention and drug addiction services.
- 223 • New annual funding for firearms safety training in the
- 224 community and safe storage of firearms, including subsidized
- 225 trigger locks and gun safes.
- 226 • New annual funding to support women and family shelter
- 227 operations, providing a safe place for women and families

228 experiencing homelessness during their transition to stable
229 housing.
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231 The amounts collected pursuant to the sales tax increase authorized
232 shall be used solely for public safety purposes, which may include but
233 are not limited to personnel and related costs of recruiting, hiring,
234 training, equipping and employing the public safety professionals
235 described above, and to pay other related public safety expenses
236 including costs of enhanced mental health, human services and firearms
237 safety programs described above, and for any additional purposes
238 authorized by RCW 82.14.450; provided, however, that at least one-
239 third (1/3) of all money received under this section must be used for
240 criminal justice purposes. The Council reserves the right, in accordance
241 with its biennial budget process, to determine the levels of service to be
242 provided as permitted under applicable state law and within the
243 available revenues collected from this increase. If revenues are
244 sufficient, the Council reserves the right to use such additional funds to
245 contract for, or pay personnel and related costs of recruiting, hiring,
246 training, equipping and employing additional personnel in other
247 capacities authorized by RCW 82.14.450 and to further expand mental
248 health and human services programs.
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250 Section 2. **Calling of Election.** It is hereby found that the
251 best interests of the inhabitants of Kirkland require the submission to
252 the qualified electors of Kirkland for approval or rejection at the election
253 to be held on November 6, 2018 of a proposition authorizing an
254 additional sales and use tax of one-tenth of one percent (0.1%) on the
255 selling price in the case of a sales tax or the value of the article used in
256 the case of a use tax pursuant RCW 82.14.450(2)(a). King County
257 Elections, as *ex officio* supervisor of elections in the City, is hereby
258 requested to assume jurisdiction of and to submit to the qualified
259 electors of Kirkland the proposition hereinafter set forth.
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262 Section 3. **Submission of Ballot Title to the County.**
263 The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, not less than 84 days
264 prior to such election date (i.e., no later than August 7, 2018), to certify
265 the proposition to King County Elections in substantially the following
266 form, prepared pursuant to RCW 29A.36.071:

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CITY OF KIRKLAND
PROPOSITION 1
ADDITIONAL SALES AND USE TAX FOR
ENHANCED POLICE SERVICES AND
COMMUNITY SAFETY

The Kirkland City Council adopted Resolution No. R-5324 concerning a proposition for funding enhanced police services and community safety. If approved, this proposition would increase the sales and use tax rate by one-tenth of one percent (0.1%) to provide ongoing funding for the public safety purposes permitted under RCW 82.14.450, anticipated to include additional police officers, school resource officers in Kirkland middle schools, after school programs and expanded mental health and human services programs focusing on gun safety, domestic violence, suicide prevention, and related public safety issues and services to the homeless. The increase would become effective in 2019.

Should this proposition be:

APPROVED?.....
REJECTED?.....

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For purposes of receiving notice of any matters related to the ballot title, as provided in RCW 29A.36.080, the City hereby designates its City Attorney (Kevin Raymond, 425-587-3031, kraymond@kirklandwa.gov) and its Special Counsel, Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, PC (Alice Ostdiek, 206-829-3002, aostdiek@sycr.com), as the persons to whom such notice shall be provided.

Section 4. Authorization of Local Voters' Pamphlet.
The City Council authorizes preparation and distribution of a local voters' pamphlet, including an explanatory statement and statements in favor of and in opposition to the ballot measure, if any. The preparation of explanatory statement, the appointment of pro/con committees and the preparation of statements in favor or and in opposition to the ballot title shall be in accordance with chapter 29A.32 RCW and the rules and guidelines of the King County Elections Office.

306 Section 5. **General Authorization; Ratification.**
 307 Certification of such proposition by the City Clerk to King County
 308 Elections, in accordance with law, prior to the date of such election, and
 309 any other acts consistent with the authority, and prior to the effective
 310 date, of this Resolution, are hereby ratified. Other proper City officials
 311 are authorized to perform such duties as are necessary or required by
 312 law to the end that the ballot proposition described in this Resolution
 313 shall be submitted to the voters of the City at the November 6, 2018
 314 election. Any action taken consistent with the authority and prior to the
 315 effective date of this Resolution is hereby ratified, approved and
 316 confirmed.

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 318 Passed by a majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open
 319 meeting this __ day of _____, 2018 and approved by the City
 320 Council as required by law.

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 322 Signed in authentication thereof this ____ day of _____, 2018.

Amy Walen, Mayor

Attest:

Kathi Anderson, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Kevin Raymond, City Attorney