

## Parks Funding Exploratory Committee Meeting #15: June 13, 2023

### Agenda:

- Welcome
- Tonight's Purpose, Outcomes
- Assessed Value forecasted drop
- PFEC Discussion: What do you think?
- Key messages to take to Council
- *Closing & Next Steps*



## Local Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that the Southern Salish Sea region lies on the unceded and ancestral land of the Coast Salish peoples, the Duwamish, Muckleshoot, Puyallup, Skykomish, Snoqualmie, Snohomish, Suquamish and Tulalip tribes and other tribes of the Puget Sound Salish people, and that present-day City of Kirkland is in the traditional heartland of the Lake People and the River People. We honor with gratitude the land itself, the First People – who have reserved treaty rights and continue to live here since time immemorial – and their ancestral heritage.



# Welcome from PFEC Chair Councilmember Kelli Curtis

Thank you for reconvening again!



## Purpose and Outcomes for June 13

**Purpose:** To receive an update about potential drop in Assessed Value and provide feedback to Council

**Outcomes:**

1. PFEC member understanding of Assessed Value situation
2. Discussion of ballot measure timing
3. Key messages to take to Council



# Draft Ballot Measure Language

**City of Kirkland**  
**Proposition No. #**

LEVY LID LIFT FOR ENHANCED AQUATICS, RECREATION AND PARKS  
 FACILITIES, OPERATIONS AND PROGRAMS

The Kirkland City Council adopted Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_ concerning funding for enhanced aquatics, recreation and parks facilities, operations and programs. This proposition funds new aquatics and recreation center operations, park operations, year-round restrooms, water safety programs, park rangers, sports courts, teen services and green loop trail networks by increasing the City's regular property tax by \$\_\_\_\_\_/ \$1,000 to a maximum rate of \$\_\_\_\_\_/ \$1,000 of assessed valuation for collection in 2024. The 2024 levy amount will be the basis to calculate subsequent levies, per RCW 84.55. Qualifying seniors, disabled veterans and others would be exempt (RCW 84.36).



## Potential AV Change Impacts to Ballot Title

	No Change from 2023	5% drop in Total AV	10% drop in Total AV	15% drop in Total AV	20% drop in Total AV
<b>PFEC Package</b> (\$11,219,350 annual to City)	23.20 cents	24.42 cents	25.78 cents	27.30 cents	29.00 cents
<b>Tax paid by \$1M valued home</b> (2023 valued)	\$232 / year	\$232 / year	\$232 / year	\$232 / year	\$232 / year



# How Levy Rates are Set

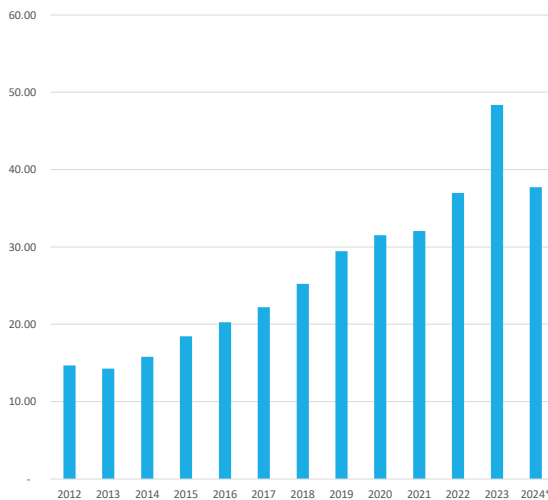
- Washington State has a budget-based system
- Rate changes as a factor of other variables

Assessed Valuation x levy rate = tax collected  
1,000

Assessed Valuation	Median Home Value	Ballot Measure	Required Rate (per \$1,000)	Cost to a Median Homeowner
10,000,000,000	500,000	10,000,000	1.0000	500
8,000,000,000	400,000	10,000,000	1.2500	500



Citywide Annual AV (in billions)



## History of Assessed Value in Kirkland

- Since 2012 total assessed valuation in Kirkland has risen by 330% at average rate of 11.76%
- There has also only been one year with an overall reduction in AV (2013)
- Prior to 2023 largest change was 16.98%, largest decline -2.87%
- 2022-2023 values rose 30.78%
- \*Projected 2023-2024 decline around 22%
- Increases in AV do not necessarily cause increases in property tax, but they reduce the levy per \$1,000 required to raise a set amount of funds

# Potential AV Change Impacts to Ballot Title: PFEC Package Example

	No Change from 2023	5% drop in Total AV	10% drop in Total AV	15% drop in Total AV	20% drop in Total AV	22% drop in Total AV
<b>Kirkland Regular Levy AV (\$)</b>	48,351,973,565	45,934,374,887	43,516,776,209	41,099,177,530	38,681,578,852	37,714,539,381
<b>What 1 cent generates (\$)</b>	483,520	459,344	435,168	410,992	386,816	377,145
<b>PFEC Package (\$11,219,350 annual to City)</b>	23.20 cents	24.42 cents	25.78 cents	27.30 cents	29.00 cents	29.75 cents
<b>Tax paid by \$1M valued home (2023 valued)</b>	\$232 / year	\$232 / year	\$232 / year	\$232 / year	\$232 / year	\$232 / year



## PFEC Discussion: What do you think?

Small Groups:

Please designate notetaker/person to report out!

- What do you think about the potential change in cents of a measure? How do you think people may react?
- Before you answer the timing question based on AV information you've heard, share some ideas as to other factors PFEC and/or the Council should think about in deciding whether to go in 2023 or in 2024?
- Do you think Council should go to ballot in 2023 or 2024?



# PFEC Discussion: What do you think?

Report Out



## Vote (Zoom Poll)

Based on what you just heard, Do you think Council should go to the ballot in 2023 or 2024?

- 2023
- 2024



## Vote (Zoom poll)

If choosing a 2024 election, do you have an opinion at this point about which election date?

- February 2024
- April 2024
- August 2024
- November 2024
- I would need to know more information
- No opinion



## Closing

- **City Council Meeting: June 20**
  - Memorandum will have summary of PFEC's input from tonight
- You can always send personal thoughts to Councilmembers:  
[citycouncil@kirklandwa.gov](mailto:citycouncil@kirklandwa.gov)

**Thank you!**



