February 11, 2025 Official Special Election Ballot King County, Washington

Instructions





Completely fill in the oval next to your choice.

How to correct a mistake



To make a correction, draw a line through the entire choice. You then have the option of making a different choice by completely filling in another oval.

Begin voting here

City

City of Seattle Proposition Nos. 1A and 1B

Proposition 1A (submitted by Initiative Petition No. 137) and Proposition 1B (alternative proposed by the Seattle Council and Mayor) concern payroll expense tax funding for the Social Housing Developer.

Proposition 1A would impose a tax on payroll expenses for employers doing business in Seattle. The tax rate would be 5% on annual compensation above \$1,000,000 paid in Seattle to any employee. Proceeds would support the Social Housing Developer, a public development authority created to develop, own, and maintain social housing in Seattle. The tax imposed would be in addition to the City's payroll expense tax levied under Seattle Municipal Code Chapter 5.38.

As an alternative, the Seattle City Council and Mayor have proposed Proposition 1B (Ordinance 127101), which would allocate \$10,000,000 of existing payroll expense tax revenues from the next five annual budgets to fund the Social Housing Developer. Proceeds would support the acquisition and development of social housing in Seattle. The Developer would have to apply and meet certain conditions as determined by the City before the award of funds. If no allocated funds are awarded within three years of their initial allocation, they would be available to support other affordable housing projects.

1. Should either of these measures be enacted into law?

◯No

2. Regardless of whether you voted yes or no above, if one of these measures is enacted, which one should it be?

Proposition 1A

○ Proposition 1B

Continue voting other side



School

Seattle School District No. 1 Proposition No. 1 Replacement for Educational Programs and Operations Levy

The Board of Directors of Seattle School District passed Resolution No. 2024/25-3 concerning this proposition to maintain current educational funding. To continue high quality programs that are not state funded or fully funded, this authorizes the District to levy the following excess taxes replacing an expiring levy on all taxable property within the District:

	Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000	
Collection Years	Assessed Value	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2026	\$0.78	\$250,000,000
2027	\$0.75	\$249,000,000
2028	\$0.72	\$248,000,000

as provided in the Resolution, subject to legal limits at time of levy. Should this proposition be approved?

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◯No

Seattle School District No. 1 Proposition No. 2 Building Excellence Program (BEX) VI – Capital Levy

The Board of Directors of Seattle School District requests approval of a capital levy as described in Resolution No. 2024/25-4. The proposition replaces an expiring capital levy and authorizes the levy of excess taxes to fund BEX VI for safety and security, energy efficiency projects, construction or renovation at five schools, projects for building systems and major maintenance, and technology and other projects throughout the District:

	Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000			
Collection Years	Assessed Value	<u>Levy Amount</u>		
2026	\$0.93	\$300,000,000		
2027	\$0.90	\$300,000,000		
2028	\$0.87	\$300,000,000		
2029	\$0.84	\$300,000,000		
2030	\$0.81	\$300,000,000		
2031	\$0.79	\$300,000,000		
Should this proposition be approved?				
⊖Yes				

─No

End of Ballot Vote both sides of ballot