

## ORDINANCE NO. 25-1314

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK, WASHINGTON, LEVYING THE GENERAL TAXES FOR THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK IN KING COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2026, ON ALL PROPERTY, BOTH REAL AND PERSONAL IN SAID CITY THAT IS SUBJECT TO TAXATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SUFFICIENT REVENUE TO CARRY ON THE SERVICES OF THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY FOR THE ENSUING YEAR AS PROVIDED BY LAW; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Lake Forest Park has met and considered its budget for calendar year 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council held a public hearing on November 20, 2025, to consider the City's 2025 Property Tax Levy pursuant to RCW 84.55.120; and

**WHEREAS**, King County requires the 2026 Property Tax Levies to be submitted by November 30, 2025; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. REGULAR TAX LEVY. The preliminary assessed valuation of \$5,348,606,618 is adopted. A regular property tax for 2026 is hereby levied in the maximum amount of \$3,778,688, which includes an additional \$200,000 for any additional King County increases resulting from new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbines, solar, biomass, and geothermal facilities, any increases in the value of state assessed property, any annexations that have occurred and refunds made by King County. The final dollar amount of Property Taxes is determined by King County and reduced to the actual amount allowed.

Section 2. SEVERABILITY. Should any portion of this ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

Section 3. CORRECTIONS. The City Clerk is authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto.

Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect five (5) days after passage and publication.

**APPROVED BY A MAJORITY** of the Lake Forest Park City Council this \_\_\_\_ day of November 2025.

APPROVED:

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Tom French  
Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

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Matt McLean  
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Kim Adams Pratt  
City Attorney

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