

From: [Dan Jacoby](#)
To: [City Council](#)
Subject: Fwd: Property Tax Lid Lift
Date: Monday, July 25, 2016 12:38:50 PM

To the Council,

This forwarded email is in response to a concern expressed to me over the weekend that too low a levy rate might leave the city "stuck" for six years, forcing a choice between spending cuts and new, more regressive taxes. As you can see, you would not be stuck.

Best regards,
Dan Jacoby

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Locke, Diann (DOR)" <DiannL@DOR.WA.GOV>
Date: July 25, 2016 at 12:25:40 PM PDT
To: "dan@danjacoby.com" <dan@danjacoby.com>
Subject: **Property Tax Lid Lift**

Dan,

Thank you for taking the time to talk with me earlier this afternoon regarding the proposed City of Shoreline levy lid lift.

RCW [84.55.050](#)(2) authorizes taxing district to exceed the typical levy growth of one percent each year with voter approval. You indicated the city is looking at setting a rate for the first year of the lift and then base the limit factor for the next 5 years based on a consumer price index. You expressed concerns that one or more of the limit factors, based on a consumer price index, may not generate as much property tax revenue as the city envisioned over the six year period. If this occurs, the city could go back to the voters and ask them to approve another levy lid lift during the original six year levy lid lift period.

If you have any additional questions we can help with please let me know.

Diann Locke

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