

ORDINANCE NO. 1061

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SNOQUALMIE, WASHINGTON,
ESTABLISHING A TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT PURSUANT TO
CHAPTER 36.73 RCW AND ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 12.26 TO THE
SNOQUALMIE MUNICIPAL CODE**

WHEREAS, the City of Snoqualmie has the responsibility for the improvement, maintenance, protection and operation of public streets and ways within the corporation limits of the City, and

WHEREAS, the improvement, maintenance, protection and operation of public streets and ways requires preserving existing transportation improvements to avoid both catastrophic failure that would require significant additional funds for reconstruction and their gradual deterioration, and

WHEREAS, the Washington Transportation Plan 2007-2026 approved by the Washington Transportation Commission states the highest priority is to preserve and extend prior investments in existing transportation facilities, and specifically recognizes the preservation, maintenance and operations of city streets as a matter of state-wide significance, and

WHEREAS, the Destination 2030 Metropolitan Transportation Plan for the Central Puget Sound approved by the Puget Sound Regional Council states that the first priority is to maintain, preserve, make safe, and optimize existing transportation infrastructure, and

WHEREAS, the City has limited funds to pay for such necessary preservation, maintenance and operation of streets and ways, and

WHEREAS, on-going costs of preservation, maintenance and operation of streets and ways continue to increase, while dedicated revenues have decreased due to the loss of Motor Vehicle Excise Tax revenues formerly available to the City, and

WHEREAS, chapter 36.73 RCW provides for the establishment of transportation benefit districts and for additional revenue sources for transportation improvements with the district that are consistent with existing state, regional or local transportation plans and necessitated by existing or reasonably foreseeable congestion levels, and

WHEREAS, the City desires to form a transportation benefit district to include the entire boundaries of the City of Snoqualmie as such boundaries now exist or may hereafter be extended by future annexations, and

WHEREAS, the City has provided public notice and conducted a public hearing regarding the proposed establishment of the transportation benefit district as required by RCW 36.73.050, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City to establish a citywide transportation benefit district for the preservation, maintenance and operation of the City's transportation infrastructure to protect the City's long term investment in such infrastructure, to reduce the risk of transportation facility failure, to improve safety, to avoid more expensive infrastructure replacements in the future, and to reduce congestion, now, therefore, be it

ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Snoqualmie, Washington, as follows:

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Adopted 6/14/10
Publish 6/23/2010
Effective 6/29/2010

Section 1. There is hereby added a new chapter 12.26 to the Snoqualmie Municipal Code to be entitled “Snoqualmie Transportation Benefit District,” to read as follows:

12.26.010 Transportation benefit district established.

There is hereby established a transportation benefit district to be known as the Snoqualmie Transportation Benefit District (“District”) with geographical boundaries comprised of the corporate limits of the City of Snoqualmie as they now exist or may hereafter be altered by future annexations.

12.26.020 Governing board.

A. The governing board (“Board”) of the District shall be the Snoqualmie City Council acting in an ex officio and independent capacity, which shall have to authority to exercise the statutory powers set forth in chapter 36.73 RCW.

B. The treasurer of the District shall be the City Finance Director.

C. The Board shall develop a material change policy to address major plan changes that affect project delivery of the ability to finance the plan, pursuant to the requirements set forth in RCW 36.73.160(1).

D. The Board shall issue an annual report pursuant to the requirements of RCW 36.73.160(2).

12.26.030 Authority of the district.

A. The District may authorize a vehicle tax of up to \$20 per vehicle as provided for by RCW 82.80.140.

B. When authorized by the votes pursuant to the requirements of chapter 36.73 RCW, the District may assess other taxes, fees, charges and tolls or increases in these revenue sources for the preservation, maintenance and operation of city streets and ways.

C. The District shall have and may exercise any and all powers and functions provided by chapter 36.73 to fulfill the purposes of the District.


36.73.040 Transportation improvements funded.

The revenues of the District shall be used for transportation improvements that preserve, maintain and operate existing infrastructure of the city consistent with the requirements of chapter 36.73 RCW. Expenditures of District revenues shall preserve, maintain and operate the city’s previous investments in transportation infrastructure, reduce the risk of transportation facility failure, improve safety, or reduce congestion. Any change or expansion of these authorized purposes shall be undertaken only after notice, hearing and adoption of an authorizing ordinance in

accordance with RCW 36.73.050(b)(2) or a vote of the people pursuant to RCW 36.73.065(c).

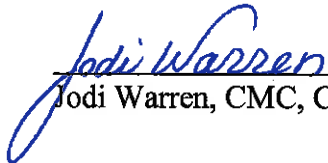
Section 2. This ordinance shall be effective from and its adoption and the expiration of five days after its publication, as provided by law.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Snoqualmie, Washington, this 14th day of June, 2010.



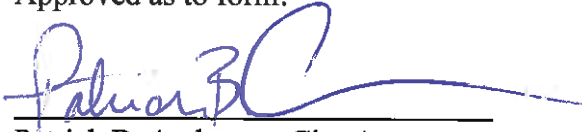
Matthew R. Larson, Mayor

Attest:



Jodi Warren, CMC, City Clerk

Approved as to form:



Patrick B. Anderson, City Attorney