

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-26

A RESOLUTION of the City Council of Bainbridge Island, Washington, supporting the Connecting Bainbridge: SAFE Mobility Levy and urging Bainbridge Island voters to “Approve” City of Bainbridge Island Proposition No. 1 on the November 6, 2018 general election ballot.

WHEREAS, the City of Bainbridge Island’s Transportation Vision 2036 is for Bainbridge Island to have a safe, dependable, properly maintained, and fiscally responsible multimodal transportation system with good facilities for non-motorized users and pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, Goal TR-2 of the City’s Comprehensive Plan is to provide a non-motorized transportation system that is a planned and coordinated network of shoulders, sidewalks, trails, footpaths, bikeways, and multi-purpose trails that connect neighborhoods with parks, schools, the shoreline, the ferry terminal, and commercial areas; and

WHEREAS, Policy TR 2.1 of the City’s Comprehensive Plan includes providing a non-motorized transportation system that: effectively serves the needs of people of all ages and abilities who walk, bike, or ride horses, or use wheel chairs; encourages non-motorized travel; and provides continuous networks of safe, efficient, and attractive shoulders, sidewalks, pathways, and multi-purpose trails throughout the Island that are also connecting to regional systems; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to invest in non-motorized transportation infrastructure, including projects to widen road shoulders, improve sidewalks, and build new trails; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City and its residents to submit to the voters a levy lid lift proposition under RCW 84.55.050(1) to fund the construction of such projects; and

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2018, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2018-22, which directs the placement of City of Bainbridge Island Proposition No. 1, the Connecting Bainbridge: SAFE Mobility Levy, on the November 6, 2018 ballot that, if passed by the voters of the City of Bainbridge Island, will raise \$15 million over seven (7) years to pay for the construction of non-motorized transportation infrastructure and/or certain safety and mobility improvements on Bainbridge Island; and

WHEREAS, on July 24, 2018, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-21 to provide greater certainty and specificity regarding how the funds raised by the ballot proposition will be used and how the public will be involved in making decisions on the use of the funds from the ballot measure; and

WHEREAS, on September 25, 2018, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2018-29, providing additional clarity as to the membership of the “SAFE Mobility Project Selection Committee” and the process through which the public will be involved in making decisions on the use of the funds from the ballot measure; and

WHEREAS, at the City Council’s September 25, 2018 business meeting, persons in favor of City of Bainbridge Island Proposition No. 1 and those opposed to it were given an equal opportunity to share their views in an open public meeting; and

WHEREAS, notice of the City Council’s September 25, 2018 business meeting was given in accordance with RCW 42.17A.555.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BAINBRIDGE ISLAND DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council supports the passage of City of Bainbridge Island Proposition No. 1, the Connecting Bainbridge: SAFE Mobility Levy, which will provide funding for non-motorized transportation infrastructure projects on Bainbridge Island, including projects to widen road shoulders, improve sidewalks, and build new trails.

Section 2. The City Council’s support for City of Bainbridge Island Proposition No. 1 is contingent on the funding being used, projects being selected, and the public being involved as specified in Resolution No. 2018-21 and Resolution No. 2018-29.

Section 3. The City Council urges Bainbridge Island voters to “Approve” City of Bainbridge Island Proposition No. 1 on the November 6, 2018 general election ballot.

PASSED by the City Council this 25th day of September, 2018.

APPROVED by the Mayor this 25th day of September, 2018.

By: 
Kol Medina, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATE:

By: 
Christine Brown, City Clerk

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK:	September 7, 2018
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:	September 25, 2018
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