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**ORDINANCE NO. 3406**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON, IMPOSING A PERMANENT REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR 2003 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER WITH SPECIFIC LEVY AMOUNTS TO BE LIMITED BY CHAPTER 84.52 RCW AND ESTABLISHED IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET PROCESS; EACH LEVY SHALL NOT EXCEED THE RATE OF \$.50 PER ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS OF THE THEN CURRENT ASSESSED VALUE OF ALL PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY, PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY GRANTED BY RCW SECTION 84.52.069; THE REVENUES OF SAID LEVIES TO BE USED FOR THE PROVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, ALL SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSITION FOR SAID PERMANENT LEVY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE AND SERVICES TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY AT A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2002, AND FIXING A TIME WHEN THE SAME SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE.

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**WHEREAS**, the Washington State legislature by virtue of RCW Section 84.52.069 has authorized cities to permanently impose an additional property tax levy of up to a maximum of \$.50 per One Thousand Dollars of assessed valuation to provide emergency medical care and emergency medical services; and

**WHEREAS**, assuring a constant source of funds to provide such emergency medical care and services will ensure continuous provision of emergency medical care and services and thus be in the best interest of the public health, safety and general welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, the assessed valuation of all property within the City for 2003 and future years has not yet been certified to the City by the Snohomish County Assessor, and it is impossible to precisely project figures for assessed valuation for future years; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of the City Council of the City of Edmonds to seek voter approval for a permanent levy to begin in 2002 for collection in 2003, and to be assessed and collected in each year thereafter as limited by Chapter 84.52 RCW and not to exceed the rate of \$.50 per One Thousand Dollars of the then current assessed value of all property within the City; NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON, DO  
ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Snohomish County Auditor is hereby requested to call and conduct an election in the City of Edmonds, Snohomish County, to be held therein on November 5, 2002 for the purposes of submitting to the qualified electors of the City for their approval or rejection the question of whether or not a permanent tax levy shall be made commencing in 2003, to be collected and assessed in every year thereafter as limited by chapter 84.52 RCW and not to exceed \$.50 per One Thousand Dollars of the then current assessed valuation of all property in the City subject to taxation, said levies to be in addition to the regular tax levy provided by law for cities without the vote of the electors, the proceeds thereof to be used to pay the costs of furnishing emergency medical care and emergency medical services, including related personnel costs, training for such personnel and related equipment, supplies, vehicles and structures needed for the provision of emergency medical care and emergency medical services. The Auditor is requested to conduct an election at the polls in conjunction with the November Annual Election.

Section 2. The ballot title for the aforementioned proposition shall be as follows:

**PROPOSITION**

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES –PERMANENT  
LEVY**

To continue to assist in the funding of the present 24-hour basic life support and Medic 7 advanced life support programs shall up to \$.50 per One Thousand Dollars of assessed valuation in regular property tax be permanently levied by the City of Edmonds pursuant to RCW 84.52.069 commencing in 2003 for each and every year thereafter?

**YES**

**NO**

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance, being an exercise of a power specifically delegated to the City legislative body, is not subject to referendum, and shall take effect five (5) days after passage and publication of an approved summary thereof consisting of the title.

APPROVED:

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MAYOR GARY HAAKENSEN

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

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CITY CLERK, SANDRA S. CHASE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

BY \_\_\_\_\_  
W. SCOTT SNYDER

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: 07/12/2002  
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: 07/16/2002  
PUBLISHED: 07/21/2002  
EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/26/2002  
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**SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 3406**

of the City of Edmonds, Washington

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On the 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2002, the City Council of the City of Edmonds, passed Ordinance No. 3406. A summary of the content of said ordinance, consisting of the title, provides as follows:

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The full text of this Ordinance will be mailed upon request.

DATED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2002.

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CITY CLERK, SANDRA S. CHASE