

February 9, 2016 Special Election

King County

Official Local Voters' Pamphlet

as requested by Mercer Island School District No. 400



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Register to vote

Requirements

To register to vote in Washington, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States
- A legal resident of Washington state
- At least 18 years old by election day
- Not under the authority of the Department of Corrections

How to register

- Register online with the Secretary of State, vote.wa.gov
- Download a registration form from the King County Elections website.
- Register in person at the King County Elections office or at the King County Voter Registration Annex.

Registration deadlines

While you may register to vote at any time, there are registration deadlines before each election.

The deadlines for the February 9, 2016 special election:

- **January 11** – Deadline to register to vote or update voter registration information.
- **February 1** – In-person registration deadline for people not currently registered in Washington. Register in person at the Elections office in Renton or at the Voter Registration Annex in Seattle.

Keep your voter registration current

Update your registration if you have moved or changed your name, or if your signature has changed. Simply submit a new registration form to update your information.



**Proposition No. 1
Capital Projects Levy**

The Board of Directors of Mercer Island School District No. 400 adopted Resolution No. 638 concerning capital projects and technology. This proposition funds construction, modernization and remodeling of existing facilities, and technology improvements including equipment, infrastructure and the implementation of new technology systems for operations and instruction; and authorizes the following excess levies for such purposes on all taxable property within the District:

<u>Collection Years</u>	<u>Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2017	\$0.59	\$6,218,558
2018	\$0.56	\$6,218,558
2019	\$0.56	\$6,418,558
2020	\$0.55	\$6,518,558
2021	\$0.50	\$6,218,558
2022	\$0.54	\$6,838,558

as provided in the Resolution. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at kingcounty.gov/elections.

Statement in favor

Sent in by: Jerry Kavesh, Paul Bergman, and Mindy Smith

Mercer Islanders have a long tradition of keeping our schools strong. This levy renewal provides funding for critical capital improvements to protect our community's investments in our schools and provide for new technology. This is a renewal of the current levy - there is no change to the existing levy assessment rate. Capital projects funded through the renewal will ensure our schools continue to have high quality educational and recreational facilities. Renovations and improvements will be made to school roofs, building infrastructure systems, classrooms, athletic fields and facilities and other maintenance requirements. Because Washington State does not fund technology, local levy support is also needed to offer students and staff computer equipment, classroom training and access to online resources. The last levy renewal was overwhelmingly approved by Mercer Island voters. Please vote yes to keep our schools among the best in the state.

Explanatory statement

For questions about this measure, contact: R. Dean Mack
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Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow the levy of \$6,218,558 in property taxes within Mercer Island School District No. 400 for collection in 2017, the levy of \$6,218,558 for collection in 2018, the levy of \$6,418,558 for collection in 2019, the levy of \$6,518,558 for collection in 2020, the levy of \$6,218,558 collection in 2021, and the levy of \$6,838,558 for collection in 2022 to modernize its educational facilities and programs through the acquisition, implementation, and management of computer and technology systems, including infrastructure, hardware, software, online applications, and related training; and to maintain schools and support facilities by making needed infrastructure improvements. In accordance with Resolution No. 638 approving this proposition, these taxes would be collected over six years and deposited in the District's Capital Projects Fund for acquiring and installing computer technology, related technology infrastructure, administrative expenses, and other necessary equipment purchases; and facility improvements. If authorized by the voters, and based on projected assessed valuation information, estimated levy rates per \$1,000 of assessed value would be \$0.59 (2017 collection); \$0.56 (2018 collection); \$0.56 (2019 collection); \$0.55 (2020 collection); \$0.50 (2021 collection); \$0.54 (2022 collection). The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy.

Statement in opposition

No statement submitted.

Statements in favor of and in opposition to a ballot measure are submitted by committees appointed by the jurisdiction. No persons came forward to serve on the committee and to write a statement in opposition. If you would like to be involved with a committee in the future please contact the jurisdiction.

Proposition No. 2 School Transportation Levy

The Board of Directors of Mercer Island School District No. 400 approved a levy for school buses. As provided in Resolution No. 639, this levy funds new and replacement school buses and authorizes the following excess levy on all taxable property within the District:

<u>Collection Year</u>	<u>Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2017	\$0.07	\$750,000

Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at kingcounty.gov/elections.

Statement in favor

Sent in by: Jerry Kavesh,
Paul Bergman, and Mindy Smith

The Transportation Levy renewal is a one-year levy that is run and collected once every six years. This levy renewal allows the district to provide safe transportation for students by repairing or replacing school buses at the end of their serviceable life. This is a renewal of the last transportation levy - there is no change to the current levy assessment rate. Since the state only funds 60% of the replacement costs for a bus, without the levy support, money would need to be redirected from the General Fund, which would ultimately affect the classroom. Please vote yes to ensure continued safe transportation for students to and from school and keep Mercer Island schools strong.

Explanatory statement

Passage of Proposition No. 2 would allow the levy of \$750,000 in property taxes within Mercer Island School District No. 400 for collection in 2017, to enable the District to acquire school buses to meet projected population growth and allow for the retirement of older and more costly to operate buses. In accordance with Resolution No. 639 approving this proposition, these taxes would be deposited in the District's Transportation Vehicle Fund to pay for the purchase of such new and replacement school buses. If authorized by the voters and based on projected assessed valuation information, estimated levy rates per \$1,000 of assessed value would be \$0.07 (2017 collection). The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy.

For questions about this measure, contact: R. Dean Mack
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Statement in opposition

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To obtain this pamphlet in an alternate format please contact King County Elections.

 **Voting materials available in Chinese and Vietnamese**

To comply with Section 203 of the Federal Voting Rights Act, King County is required to provide voting materials in Chinese and Vietnamese. To request voting materials, update your language preference or register to vote, visit www.myvote.wa.gov or call 206-296-VOTE (8683).

Để thực hiện theo Mục 203 của Đạo Luật Liên Bang về Quyền Bỏ Phiếu, Quận King được yêu cầu phải cung cấp các tài liệu bỏ phiếu bằng tiếng Trung Quốc và tiếng Việt. Để yêu cầu các tài liệu bầu cử, cập nhật lựa chọn ngôn ngữ của quý vị hoặc đăng ký bỏ phiếu, ghé đến www.myvote.wa.gov hoặc gọi 206-296-VOTE (8683) và bấm số 3.

根據聯邦投票權利法案第203節之要求，金郡需要提供中文和越南文版的選舉資訊。欲要索取選舉資訊，更新您的語言選擇或登記投票，請查看網站www.myvote.wa.gov或致電206-296-VOTE(8683)，然後按“2”字。



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