

PUBLIC NOTICE

Spokane County Fire District 8 Adopts M & O Levy Resolution

The Board of Fire Commissioners for Spokane County Fire Protection District No.8 voted unanimously to place a Maintenance and Operations Levy on the February 14, 2023 Special Election ballot. If approved by the voters, the District will be authorized to levy a maintenance and operations excess levy in the sum of \$2,798,217.00 in 2023, \$2,938,178.00 in 2024, \$3,085,034.00 in 2025 and \$3,239,289.00 in 2026 which is approximately \$.50 per \$1,000.00 of true and assessed valuation, to be collected in each succeeding year. *Such levy will replace the current excess levy* and is in addition to the District's regular and EMS tax levies.

The District continues to experience increases in the cost of specialized equipment, recruitment and retention of firefighters and firefighter paramedics, training, and supplies required by various laws, codes and standards. The levy will enable the District to maintain current firefighter and firefighter paramedic staffing and service levels.

If the levy is approved, the maximum tax per \$300,000.00 assessed valuation is estimated to be approximately \$12.00 per month or .40 cents a day for fire protection and emergency medical services.

Because this is a replacement levy that is currently being assessed, the amount paid in 2024 from 2023 will be approximately \$2 per month for \$300,000.00 in current assessed value.

Pro and Con Committees

Spokane County Fire Protection District No. 8 is placing before the voters on the February 14, 2023 ballot a proposition authorizing a maintenance and operations excess levy. The Fire District is accepting names of people interested in participating in voter pamphlet statement pro and con committees.

The deadline for appointing the committees is December 16, 2022. Citizens interested in participating, please call Lonnie Rash at 509.370.9801 or via email at lrash@scfd8.org by December 14, 2022.