

**CITY OF BURIEN
AGENDA BILL**

Agenda Subject: Discussion of and Possible Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 318, Considering Highline School District No. 401 Proposition No. 1, Replacement of Expiring Educational Programs and Operation Levy		Meeting Date: January 24, 2011
Department: City Manager	Attachments: 1. Proposed Resolution No. 318 2. King County Local Voters' Pamphlet Ballot Title	Fund Source: N/A Activity Cost: N/A Amount Budgeted: N/A Unencumbered Budget Authority: N/A
Contact: Lisa Clausen, Government Relations Specialist		
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Adopted Initiative: Yes No X	Initiative Description: N/A	
PURPOSE/REQUIRED ACTION: The purpose of this agenda item is for Council to consider a proposed resolution (Attachment 1), supporting the Highline School District's Proposition No. 1 on the ballot in February 2011.		
BACKGROUND (Include prior Council action & discussion): The measure that the Highline School District No. 401 has placed on the February 2011 ballot seeks to renew an expiring levy to fund school programs and operating expenses. As described in the attached "Ballot Title" document (Attachment 2), if approved by the voters Proposition No. 1 would authorize a replacement levy for education. It would authorize the District to levy taxes in the years 2012 through 2015, "for support of educational programs and operation expenses, including instruction, safety, materials and facility maintenance and operations...." The City has offered proponents and opponents an opportunity to present their positions on the Highline School District's Proposition No. 1.		
OPTIONS (Including fiscal impacts): 1. Approve Resolution No. 318. 2. Delay action and place Resolution No. 318 on the next meeting agenda. 3. Do not approve Resolution No. 318.		
Administrative Recommendation: Discuss and take action on proposed Resolution No. 318.		
Committee Recommendation: N/A		
Advisory Board Recommendation: N/A		
Suggested Motion: Move to approve Resolution No. 318.		
Submitted by: Administration _____ City Manager _____		
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CITY OF BURIEN, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 318

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BURIEN, WASHINGTON,
SUPPORTING HIGHLINE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 401
PROPOSITION NO. 1, REPLACEMENT OF EXPIRING
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATION LEVY**

WHEREAS, the current Highline School District property tax levy, which is due to expire at the end of 2011, brings in one quarter of the District's revenue and pays for approximately 250 teacher and support staff positions; and

WHEREAS, 80 percent of the levy pays for teachers and staff; and

WHEREAS, the levy also funds basic services such as bus transportation, textbooks and building maintenance, as well as athletic programs, music education and advanced courses; and

WHEREAS, failure of the February 8, 2011 ballot measure to replace this levy would mean devastating effects for our schools, including lay-offs of teachers and cuts in educational programs; and

WHEREAS, this ballot measure is not for a new tax but a replacement tax; and

WHEREAS, supporting our schools is of paramount importance to the health and well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS, as required by RCW 42.17.130, the City Clerk has included the title and number of the ballot measure on the Council meeting agenda, and the City Council has provided approximately equal opportunity for public comment by opponents of the ballot measure.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURIEN, WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Burien City Council supports the Highline School District's Proposition No. 1, Replacement of Expiring Educational Programs and Operation Levy, appearing on the ballot for the election of February 8, 2011.

Section 2. The Burien City Council urges its constituents to vote in favor of the levy.

Section 3. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage by the Burien City Council.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURIEN, WASHINGTON, AT A
REGULAR MEETING THEREOF THIS 24TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2011.

CITY OF BURIEN

Joan McGilton, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

Monica Lusk, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Craig D. Knutson, City Attorney

Filed with the City Clerk: January 24, 2010

Passed by the City Council:

Resolution No. 318



Elections

King County Local Voters' Pamphlet February 8, 2011 Special Election

Highline School District No. 401

Simple majority (Wash. Const. art. VII, sec 2(a))

Proposition No. 1 Replacement of Expiring Educational Programs and Operation Levy

The Board of Directors of Highline School District No. 401 adopted Resolution No. 2444, concerning a proposition for a replacement levy for education: This proposition would authorize the District to meet the educational needs of students by levying the following excess taxes, in place of an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for support of educational programs and operation expenses, including instruction, safety, materials and facility maintenance and operations:

Collection Year	Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2012	\$3.44	\$46,000,000
2013	\$3.44	\$46,000,000
2014	\$3.44	\$47,000,000
2015	\$3.52	\$49,000,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 2444. Should this proposition be approved?

YES

NO

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This school district did not request a voters' pamphlet.

Complete Text of Resolution

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