

**DATE:** October 5, 2020

**MEMO TO:** Terry Wilke, Chair  
Finance Committee

**FROM:** Steve Neaman  
Director of Finance

**RECOMMENDATION:** Recommend approval of an Ordinance providing for the Levy of Taxes for the Lake County Forest Preserve District for the Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

**STRATEGIC DIRECTION SUPPORTED:** Organizational Sustainability

**FINANCIAL DATA:** Provides the tax levy required to fund the 2021 Budget and Annual Appropriation Ordinance.

**BACKGROUND:** The Annual Tax Levy Ordinance is the third step in the three-step process to complete the budget, appropriation and levy in accordance with District rules and State statutes. The District's Annual Budget, Appropriation, and Levy Ordinances will be presented to the Board for approval on October 13, 2020.

The General Corporate, Audit, Liability Insurance, Construction & Development, IMRF and FICA amount to be levied in 2020 for the 2021 fiscal year is \$26,197,460. This represents a \$701,307 (2.8%) increase from last year. Debt service, including the US Treasury Rebate for Build America Bonds, is \$23,236,810 for a total levy of \$49,434,270. The amount expected to be received for the US Treasury Rebate is \$1,162,590. **The net levy after abatement is \$49,434,270 which is \$453,847.50 (0.9%) more than the 2019 levy for the 2020 fiscal year.**

	<u>Levy</u>	<u>Projected Tax Rate</u>
General Corporate	\$15,411,760	0.056283
Liability Insurance	1,264,460	0.004618
Construction & Development	6,426,150	0.023468
IMRF	1,766,600	0.006452
FICA (social security & Medicare)	1,130,780	0.004130
Audit	197,710	0.000722
General Obligation Bonds	<u>23,236,810</u>	<u>0.084860</u>
<b>Total - Levy Requirement:</b>	<b>\$49,434,270</b>	<b>0.180533</b>

The projected tax rate is calculated on an estimated 2020 Equalized Assessed Valuation (EAV) of \$27,382,625,635.

**REVIEW BY OTHERS:** Executive Director, Chief Operations Officer, Corporate Counsel.



**LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT  
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES  
FOR THE LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JANUARY 1, 2021 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2021**

**WHEREAS**, the sum of \$94,410,000 has been appropriated by the Lake County Forest Preserve District of Lake County, Illinois (the “District”), for the fiscal year January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 (the “Fiscal Year”), in the Annual Appropriation Ordinance of the District for the Fiscal Year for corporate purposes of the District and for the objects and purposes therein stated, which Ordinance was duly passed and approved by the District Board of Commissioners at its meeting on October 13, 2020, and will thereafter be published by authority of said District according to law; and

**WHEREAS**, of the sum of \$94,410,000 legally appropriated by the Annual Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year, the sum of \$49,434,270 is to be collected from real estate taxes to be levied in calendar year 2020;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Lake County Forest Preserve District, Lake County, Illinois, **THAT:**

**Section 1: Recitals.** The recitals set forth above are incorporated as part of this Ordinance by this reference.

**Section 2: Levy Amount.** The sum of \$49,434,270 is hereby levied for the Fiscal Year commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021 against all property subject to taxation within the Lake County Forest Preserve District, Lake County, Illinois, as the same is assessed and equalized.

**Section 3: Purpose of Levy.** The purposes, for which the said amount of \$49,434,270 is hereby levied for the Fiscal Year, and the respective amounts thereof, are as follows:

	<b><u>Levy Dollar</u></b>
General Corporate	\$15,411,760
Liability Insurance	1,264,460
Construction & Development	6,426,150
IMRF	1,766,600
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<b>Total - Levy Requirement:</b>	<b>\$49,434,270</b>

**Section 4: Filing.** The Secretary of the Lake County Forest Preserve District is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this Ordinance, along with the required certification by the presiding officer of the District pursuant to the Truth in Taxation Act, 35 ILCS 200/18-55, *et. seq.*, with the County Clerk of Lake County, State of Illinois, as required by law, not later than December 29, 2020.

**Section 5: Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

PASSED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

AYES:

NAYS:

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

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Angelo D. Kyle, President  
Lake County Forest Preserve District

ATTEST:

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Julie Gragnani, Secretary  
Lake County Forest Preserve District

Exhibit No. \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF ILLINOIS    )  
  ) SS  
COUNTY OF LAKE     )

I, Julie Gragnani, Secretary for the Lake County Forest Preserve District, Lake County, Illinois, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true, perfect and complete copy of an Ordinance providing for the levy of taxes for the Lake County Forest Preserve District for the fiscal year January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, passed and approved by the Board of Commissioners of the Lake County Forest Preserve District, Lake County, Illinois, at its regular meeting held on October 13, 2020, all as appears from the records of my office now remaining.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,**

I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said Lake County Forest Preserve District, at my office in Libertyville, Lake County, Illinois this 13th day of October, 2020.

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Julie Gragnani, Secretary  
Lake County Forest Preserve District

**SEAL**

**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE  
WITH  
THE TRUTH IN TAXATION ACT**

**I DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I am the presiding officer of the Board of Commissioners of the Lake County Forest Preserve District.

**I DO CERTIFY** that preliminary to the adoption of the 2020 tax levy (for the 2021 fiscal year) by said Board of Commissioners, the Board did comply fully with all the provisions of Sections 18-60 through 18-85 of **THE TRUTH IN TAXATION ACT** (the "Act"), 35 ILCS 200/18-55, et. seq.

The publication and public hearing requirements were not applicable because the District intends to adopt an aggregate levy for fiscal year 2021 in an amount which is less than 105% of the amount of property taxes extended or estimated to be extended, including any amount abated by the District prior to such extension, upon the final aggregate levy of the 2020 fiscal year.

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Angelo D. Kyle, President  
Lake County Forest Preserve District

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME  
THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

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Notary Public

**SEAL**