### TITLE OF DOCUMENT:
An Ordinance Limiting the 2013 General Fund Property Tax Levy

### ATTACHMENTS:
**Proposed Ordinance**

### SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:
(If this item is an ordinance or requires a public hearing, you must provide the language for use in the required public notice. Be specific and cite RCW or WCC as appropriate. Be clear in explaining the intent of the action.)

The proposed ordinance limits 2013 General Fund Property Tax Levy and establishes a new maximum allowable property tax levy.

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### Related File Numbers:

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ORDINANCE NO.  2012–045

AN ORDINANCE LIMITING THE 2013
GENERAL FUND PROPERTY TAX LEVY

WHEREAS, the County Council has approved a budget for the 2013–2014 biennium, including all sources of revenues and anticipated expenditures on November 20, 2012; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED by the Whatcom County Council that amounts collected through the County general levy shall be limited to the amount of 2012 taxes, increased for the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state assessed property. A property tax increase in addition to the amount resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state-assessed property is hereby authorized for the 2013 levy in the amount of $0, which is a percentage increase of 0% from the previous year.

ADOPTED on the 7th day of November, 2012

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Kathy Kershner, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jack Loucks, Executive

Date: 11/27/2012