

Election Date: November 2, 2021

Name of Jurisdiction  
Submitting Measure: Kitsap County

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## **PROPOSITION NO. 2**

### **AUTHORIZING THE IMPOSITION OF AN ADDITIONAL 1 TENTH OF 1 PERCENT FOR KITSAP 911'S EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AND FACILITIES**

#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT:**

Kitsap 911 is the consolidated countywide dispatch center for all fire/EMS and law enforcement service agencies in Kitsap County. Kitsap 911 is responsible for receiving all emergency 911 calls and dispatching the appropriate police, fire, or emergency medical assistance to emergencies reported. This proposition would authorize an increase to the countywide sales and use tax by one-tenth of one percent or one cent on a ten-dollar taxable purchase for Kitsap 911 for its emergency communications system. The increase is needed to modernize Kitsap 911's current end of life analog radio system with a new digital emergency communications system. The digital system will increase coverage, provide more capacity and allow better communications between and among first responders and dispatchers. Every first responder relies on the system for their safety and the safety of the public. Tax proceeds would be used for the sole purpose of funding the cost associated with financing, design, acquisition, construction, equipping, operating, maintaining, remodeling, repairing, reequipping, and improvement of the Kitsap 911 emergency communication systems and facilities.

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