

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-2018**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LEAVENWORTH, WASHINGTON,  
SUPPORTING THE UPPER VALLEY PARK AND RECREATION SERVICE AREA (PRSA) SIX  
YEAR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS LEVY REQUEST.**

**WHEREAS,** The Upper Valley Park and Recreation Service Area (hereinafter PRSA) was formed through a vote of the people on November 4, 1997 with board representatives being appointed from Chelan County, the City of Leavenworth, the Peshastin Community Council, the Chumstick Community Council and the Cascade School District; and

**WHEREAS,** The boundaries of the PRSA includes the residents living within the voter precincts of Leavenworth 2 and Leavenworth 3, all of which lie within the corporate boundary of the City of Leavenworth, and the Chumstick, Icicle and Peshastin precincts, all of which lie within the boundary of the Cascade School District; and

**WHEREAS,** The PRSA O&M Levy provides approximately 60% of the financial support for the annual operations and maintenance to the Howard Hopkins Memorial Swimming Pool located in the City of Leavenworth as first approved by the voters in 2000 and has been continued by the voters for support through the approval of three consecutive six-year operations and maintenance levies over the past 18 years; and

**WHEREAS,** The Leavenworth City Council authorizes support staff for the operation and administration of the pool to maintain and ensure the pool is clean and safe, with a well-trained staff and operated with financial integrity; and

**WHEREAS,** The estimated financial support provided by the City of Leavenworth is approximately \$20,000 annually; and

**WHEREAS,** The Leavenworth City Council finds that the importance of having a safe, friendly, and affordable location to swim for the Upper Valley Community youth, adults and seniors is critical for the residents of the PRSA Community; and

**WHEREAS,** The PRSA has presented a request to the voters of the PRSA for the continuation of the six-year operation and maintenance levy at the previous approved rate of \$0.11 cents per thousand of assessed value at the November 6, 2018 General Election, that if passed will ensure the continued operation of the pool beginning in 2019 through 2024;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the City of Leavenworth City Council supports the PRSA in its request to the voters for passage of the six-year operation and maintenance property tax levy of \$0.11 cents per thousand of assessed value that will be held on November 6, 2018 for the continued operation and maintenance support from 2019 through 2024.

Passed by the City Council of the City of Leavenworth and approved by the Mayor in an open public meeting on the 9th day of October, 2018.

APPROVED:



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Cheryl K. Farivar, Mayor

ATTEST:



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Chantell R. Steiner, Finance Director/City Clerk



## Upper Valley Parks & Recreation Service Area (PRSA)

### 2018 Levy Information for the City of Leavenworth PRSA Pool

Eighteen years ago, the citizens of the Upper Valley Parks & Recreation Service Area (PRSA) had the foresight and dedication to the members of the community, and their visitors, to build the Leavenworth Community Pool.

Every 6 years the voters in the area have approved an Operations and Maintenance Levy, keeping the pool open and operating. The Operating Budget for the Pool was approximately \$230,000 in 2018. Funding for the operation of the pool is from two sources:

- An Operation & Maintenance Levy (\$0.11 cents/thousand property tax), which covers about 60% of the pool costs
- Entrance fees and classes, pay for about 40% of the pool costs

In addition, the City of Leavenworth provides approximately \$24,000 in staffing for pool maintenance and administrative support, the back office that keeps the pool functional.

In November of 2018, the Upper Valley Parks & Recreation Service Area (PRSA) Board of Directors will be asking voters of the area to approve a six-year Operation & Maintenance (O&M) property tax levy of \$0.11 cents per thousand consistent with the current pool O&M Levy. Simply put, the request for renewing the O&M Levy at the current levy amount is need to keep the pool open. A yes keeps the pool open for the 2019 season, a no vote closes the pool for the 2019 season.

#### **Here is what your \$0.11 cents per thousand covers:**

- The pool is open and available for use in 2019.
- Funding for staffing, pool chemicals, and utilities.

#### **Here is what it costs:**

- \$0.11 cents per thousand for each property within the PRSA

A \$200,000 home pays \$22.00 per year / a \$400,000 home pays \$44.00 per year

#### **Benefits:**

The Pool is open and available for use \* Local swimming pool in town \* The water is always clean and heated! \* The lifeguards are friendly and well trained \* Classes are available for swimming lessons, and water aerobics \* Special times are available for exercise with lap swims and Senior swims \* The facility may be rented for parties \* Home to the award-winning Leavenworth Swim Team \*

**Safety is always our first concern so you can relax and enjoy a fun time for the entire family.**

<http://cityofleavenworth.com/community-pool/>

Supported by Upper Valley Swimming Citizens