

**ORDINANCE NO. 1446**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RUSTON,  
WASHINGTON, ESTABLISHING THE AMOUNT OF  
PROPERTY TAXES TO BE LEVIED FOR THE YEAR 2015,  
LEVYING AN INCREASE OF THE TOTAL PROPERTY  
TAX LEVY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,450.95 FOR 2015,  
AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Ruston held a meeting on November 4, 2014 and considered its budget for the 2015 calendar year; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with RCW 84.55.120, on November 4, 2014, the City held a public hearing on revenue sources for the 2015 budget, including considering of possible increases in property tax revenues; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing was held prior to the passage of this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the estimated valuation of all taxable property within the City of Ruston is \$136,670,870.00; and

WHEREAS, the City's actual levy amount from the previous year was Three Hundred Eighty Four Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Dollars and Seventy Two cents (\$384,680.72); and

WHEREAS, the City Council attests that the City's population is less than 10,000; and

WHEREAS, on October 21, 2014, the City Council held the first reading on this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2014, the City Council adopted this Ordinance during its regular meeting at second reading; NOW, THEREFORE

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RUSTON DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS  
FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. An increase in the regular property tax levy is hereby authorized for the levy to be collected in the 2015 tax year.

Section 2. The dollar amount of the increase over the actual levy amount from the previous year shall be Nineteen Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars and Ninety Five Cents (\$19,450.95), which is a percentage increase of 5.065% from the previous year. This increase is exclusive of additional revenue resulting from new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbines, any increase in the value of state assessed property, any annexations that have occurred and refunds made.

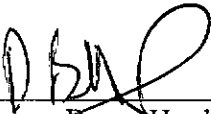
Section 3. Ordinance filing required. The City Clerk is directed to transmit a certified copy of this ordinance to the Office of the Auditor of the State of Washington, Division of Municipal Corporations. The City Clerk is further directed to transmit a certified copy of this ordinance to both the Pierce County Assessor-Treasurer and to the Pierce County Council, Attention Clerk, on or before November 30, 2014.

Section 4. Recertification authorized. The City Clerk is further directed to timely file any recertification needed after receipt of the final adjusted year-end values in December from the Pierce County Assessor-Treasurer. Such recertification, if needed, shall be filed no later than December 26, 2014.

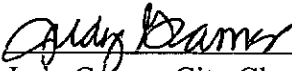
Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after passage and legal publication.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Ruston and attested by the City Clerk in authentication of such passage on this 4th day of November, 2014.

APPROVED by the Mayor this 4th day of November, 2014.

  
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Bruce Hopkins, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

  
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Judy Grams, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Office of the City Attorney

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: \_\_\_\_\_  
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
PUBLISHED: \_\_\_\_\_  
EFFECTIVE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Levy Certification

Submit this document to the county legislative authority on or before November 30 of the year preceding the year in which the levy amounts are to be collected and forward a copy to the assessor.

In accordance with RCW 84.52.020, I, Judy Grams,  
(Name)

City Clerk, for City of Ruston, do hereby certify to  
(Title) (District Name)

the Pierce County legislative authority that the City Council  
(Name of County) (Commissioners, Council, Board, etc.)

of said district requests that the following levy amounts be collected in 2015 as provided in the district's  
(Year of Collection)

budget, which was adopted following a public hearing held on 11/04/14 :  
(Date of Public Hearing)

Regular Levy: \$355,558.33  
(State the total dollar amount to be levied)

Excess Levy: \$0.00  
(State the total dollar amount to be levied)

Refund Levy: \$45,017.76  
(State the total dollar amount to be levied)

Signature: Judy Grams

Date: 11-05-2014

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