



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Finance
ECAF: 2021-0548
Proposal: Mot. 20-261

Analyst: Jim Martin
Date: August 18, 2021

Consideration:

Approving the apportionment of 2020 Public Utility District Privilege Taxes.

Background

Each year, the County receives funds representing the privilege tax derived from Snohomish County PUD's sale of electric energy within Snohomish County cities and unincorporated Snohomish County. The tax applies to electric generating facilities of public utility districts for the privilege of operating.

Current Proposal

For 2020, the PUD remitted \$7,166,040.10, and provided the breakdown of gross sales by city. Per RCW 54.28.090, the amount of privilege tax remittance due back to the cities is based on $\frac{3}{4}$ of 1% of gross sales. This motion directs the Treasurer to distribute the proceeds from the 2020 privilege tax to the cities, which amounts to \$2,730,326.32. The remaining balance of \$4,435,713.78 is retained by the County and deposited in the General Fund. In 2020, the County Council authorized the PUD privilege tax distributions of \$2,777,592.40 to Snohomish County cities and \$4,402,788.91 to the General Fund.

This motion directs the Treasurer to distribute the proceeds from the 2020 PUD privilege tax to the cities.

Duration: N/A

Fiscal Implications: Snohomish County Amount is \$29,286.22 below 2021 Budget

2021 Budget:

Is this in the current year budget: Yes

Future Budget Impacts: None.

Handling: Normal.

Approved-as-to-form: N/A as the set standard is prepared by licensed professionals.

Risk Management: N/A as the set standard is prepared by licensed professionals.

Executive Recommendation: APPROVE.

Attachments: Refer to the submitted ECAF that includes the following attachments:

- (1) Proposed Motion.
- (2) Breakdown of gross sales by city

Amendments: NONE.

Request: Move to GLS, September 1st for consideration.