

ORDINANCE NO. 1071

CITY OF LACEY

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE CITY'S LODGING TAX, ADDING DEFINITIONS, ESTABLISHING A LODGING TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AMENDING PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 3.03 OF THE LACEY MUNICIPAL CODE, AND APPROVING A SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON, as follows.

Section 1 Section 3.03.020 of the Lacey Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

3 03 020 Definitions.

A "Tourism" means economic activity resulting from tourists, which may include sales of overnight lodging, meals, tours, gifts, or souvenirs

B. "Tourism promotion" means activities and expenditures designed to increase tourism, including but not limited to advertising, publicizing, or otherwise distributing information for the purpose of attracting and welcoming tourists; developing strategies to expand tourism; operating tourism promotion agencies; and funding marketing of special events and festivals designed to attract tourists.

C. "Tourism-related facility" means real or tangible personal property with a usable life of three or more years, or constructed with volunteer labor, and used to support tourism, performing arts, or to accommodate tourist activities.

D "Tourist" means a person who travels from a place of residence to a different town, city, county, state, or country, for purposes of business, pleasure, recreation, education, arts, heritage, or culture.

E. The definitions of "selling price," "seller," "buyer," "consumer" and all other definitions as are now contained in RCW 82 08.010, and subsequent amendments thereto, are adopted as the definitions for the tax levy herein.

Section 2. Section 3.03.040 of the Lacey Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

3.03.040 Fund created. There is hereby created a special fund in the treasury of the city of Lacey, known as the "lodging tax fund." All such taxes collected herein shall be placed in such fund for the purpose of paying all or any part of the cost of acquisition, construction or operation of ~~stadium facilities or convention center facilities, performing arts center facilities and/or visual arts center facilities~~ tourism-related facilities, or to pay to ~~or~~ secure the payment of all or any portion of general obligation bonds or revenue bonds issued for

such purpose or purposes under this chapter, or to pay for ~~advertising, publicizing or otherwise distributing information for the purpose of attracting visitors and encouraging tourist expansion~~ tourism promotion, and until withdrawn for use, the moneys accumulated in such fund may be invested ~~in interest bearing securities~~ by the city finance director in any manner authorized by law

Section 3. There is added to the Lacey Municipal Code a new section to read as follows.

Section 3 03.045 Lodging Tax Advisory Committee

A. A Lodging Tax Advisory Committee is hereby established. The committee will consist of two representatives from the hotel/motel businesses required to collect the lodging tax, two persons involved in the activities authorized to be funded by the lodging tax, and a member of the City Council, who will be the chair of the committee. The members of the committee who are representatives from the hotel/motel businesses may not also qualify as a person involved in the activities authorized to be funded by the lodging tax. Likewise, the members who are persons involved in the activities authorized to be funded by the lodging tax may not also be representatives of the hotel/motel businesses. Members shall be appointed by the Mayor with the consent of the City Council. Except for the initial terms, members shall be appointed to serve for a term of 3 years.

B. Any proposal for the imposition of a tax, increase in the rate of tax imposed, repeal of an exemption from a tax imposed, or a change in the use of the revenue received under this chapter shall be submitted to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee for review and comment, 45 days prior to enactment.

Section 4. The summary attached hereto is approved for publication.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON, this 9th day of October, 1997.

CITY COUNCIL

By Nancy Peterson  
Mayor

Approved as to form

Attest

Charotte Taylor  
City Clerk

[Signature]  
City Attorney

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SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION

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The City Council of the City of Lacey, Washington, passed on October 9, 1997, Ordinance No 1071 entitled  
"AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE CITY'S LODGING TAX, ADDING  
DEFINITIONS, ESTABLISHING A LODGING TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE,  
AMENDING PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 3.03 OF THE LACEY MUNICIPAL CODE, AND  
APPROVING A SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION."

The main points of the ordinance are described as follows:

1. Amends the existing lodging tax ordinance to comply with new state legislation relating to definitions and a Lodging Tax Advisory Committee
2. Authorizes the Mayor to appoint the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee with the consent of the City Council.
3. Establishes a 3 year term for each of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee members

A copy of the full text of this Ordinance will be mailed without charge to any person requesting the same from the City of Lacey

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*Charlotte M. Taylor*  
*City Clerk*