ORDINANCE NO 1072

CITY OF LACEY

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO GAMBLING TAXATION AND AMENDING LACEY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 3.06.010.

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

Section 1 Section 3.06.010 of the Lacey Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.06.010 Imposition There is levied upon all persons, associations and organizations who have been duly licensed by the Washington State Gambling Commission in accordance with Chapter 9.46.

- Α. To conduct or operate bingo games, raffles and amusement games, a tax on raffles at the rate of ten percent of the gross revenue received therefrom receipts from a raffle less the amount paid for awarded as cash or merchandise prizes or as prizes, a tax on bingo games computed at the rate of four percent of the gross revenue received therefrom receipts from a bingo game, less the amount paid for awarded as cash or merchandise prizes or as prizes and a tax on amusement games at the rate of two percent of the gross revenue therefrom receipts from the amusement game less the amount paid for prizes or awarded as prizes, provided, that no tax shall be imposed by this subsection on bingo games, raffles or amusement games when such activities or any combination thereof are conducted by any bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization as defined in RCW 9 46 020(3), which organization has no paid operating or management personnel and has gross income receipts from bingo games, raffles or amusement games, or any combination thereof, not exceeding \$5,000.00 per year less the amount paid for awarded as cash or merchandise prizes; provided further, no tax shall be imposed on the first ten thousand dollars of gross receipts less the amount awarded as cash or merchandise prizes from raffles conducted by any bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization as defined in chapter 394 of the session laws of 1997;
- B To utilize punch board or pull-tabs <u>as a commercial stimulant operator</u>, a tax computed at the rate of four percent of the gross receipts received in the conduct of such activity, computed by multiplying the number of chances played on such board or pull-tab times the price or value of each individual chance or play;
- C To utilize punch board or pull-tabs as a bona fide charitable or nonprofit organization, a tax computed at the rate of eight percent of the gross receipts from the operation of the games less the amount awarded as cash or merchandise prizes;

 $C \underline{D}$ To conduct or operate any social card game, a tax of ten percent of the gross revenue received from the conduct or operation of said game or games.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON, this gray of work 19 97.

CITY COUNCIL

Mayor

Attest

Approved as to form:

City Attorney

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SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION

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The City Council of the City of Lacey, Washington, passed on Ctober 9, 1997 , Ordinance No. 1072 entitled "AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO GAMBLING TAXATION AND AMENDING LACEY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 3.06.010."

The main points of the ordinance are described as follows:

- 1. The ordinance modifies the wording of the city's gambling tax legislation to be consistent with new provisions in state law. One of these new provisions requires that the tax on punch boards or pull tabs operated by bona fide charitable or non profit organizations must be computed on the receipts from the operation of these games after deducting the amount awarded as cash or merchandise prizes. Experience demonstrates that in excess of 50% of gross revenues received from these activities is paid out as cash or merchandise prizes. Therefore, the tax rate on the net amount received by charitable and nonprofit organizations is increased from 4% to 8%. The net result will be the same or a less amount of tax received.
- 2. The tax rate of operators using such devices as commercial stimulants remains at 4% of the gross receipts without deducting such cash or merchandise prices.

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.

Published: Monday October 13, 1997.
Chaylotte M. Taylor
City Clerk