

ORDINANCE 950

CITY OF LACEY

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE RATE OF TAX ON THE OPERATION OF BINGO GAMES, PUNCH BOARDS AND PULL TABS, PROVIDING FOR A REDUCTION OF THE RATE OF SUCH TAX EQUAL TO THE TEMPORARY RATE WHICH HAS BEEN IN EFFECT AND AMENDING SECTION 3.06.010 OF THE LACEY MUNICIPAL CODE

WHEREAS, prior to September 1, 1987, there was in effect in the city a gambling tax at the rate of 5 percent on the operation of bingo games, punch boards and pull tabs and said rate was temporarily reduced commencing September 1, 1987, and a study called for to determine an appropriate rate, and

WHEREAS, the costs incurred by the city and its various departments in enforcing the state and city gambling laws has been reviewed by city staff and a recommendation made to the city council of an appropriate rate of taxation and the council finding that the rate of 4 percent upon the operation of bingo games, punch boards and pull tabs will produce to the city an amount of revenue such that the revenue source will be used primarily for the enforcement of state and city gambling laws, now, therefore,

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:

"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:

"A. To conduct or operate bingo games, raffles and amusement games, a tax on raffles at the rate of 10 percent of the

gross revenue received therefrom less the amount paid for prizes or as prizes, a tax on bingo games computed at the rate of 5 4 percent of the gross revenue received therefrom, less the amount paid for prizes or as prizes and a tax on amusement games at the rate of 2 percent of the gross revenue therefrom less the amount paid for prizes or 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 non-profit organization as defined in RCW 9.46.020(3), which organization has no paid operating or management personnel and has gross income from bingo games, raffles or amusement games, or any combination thereof, not exceeding \$5,000.00 per year less the amount paid for as prizes;

"B. To utilize punchboard or pull-tabs, a tax computed at the rate of 5 4 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 conduct or operate any social card game, a tax of 10 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 15th day of December, 1988.

Attest:

Sherril G. Anderson
City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL

By Kay M. Boyd
Mayor

Approved as to form:

[Signature]
City Attorney

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