

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DOUGLAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
Establishing the Douglas County Lodging Tax) Ordinance CE No. 23-01-31B
Advisory Committee and Impose an Existing State-)
Shared 2% Excise Tax on Lodging.) Current Expense
)

WHEREAS, Sections 67.28.180 & 67.28.1801 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCWs) set forth the ability to impose a State-Shared 2% excise tax on lodging; and

WHEREAS, an influx of people using Short Term or Vacation Rentals included but not limited to Air B&B and VRBO, and destination facilities being established within Douglas County; and

WHEREAS, in order to best serve the public interest and to adhere to the sections 67.28.1816 of the Revised Codes of Washington, the Board of Commissioners wishes to establish a Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) to provide the legislative body with suggestions to promote tourism within Douglas County and the recommended use of the State-Shared excise tax.

WHEREAS, the public was provided the opportunity to comment on the establishment of this State-Shared excise tax on August, 29, 2023 during the Commissioner's Public Hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Douglas County Board of Commissioners hereby orders the established of Douglas County Code 3.17 Establishing an Existing State-Shared Tax on Lodging as presented in Attachment A.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Douglas County Board of Commissioners adopts the Bylaws establishing the Lodging Tax Advisory Council, to hold its inaugural meeting 90 days following the adoption of this Ordinance.

Passed and adopted this 29th day of August, 2023, at the Douglas County Courthouse, 203 Rainier St. Waterville, Washington.



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Kyle Steinburg, Vice Chair



Marc S. Straub, Commissioner

ATTEST:


Carlye Baity, Clerk of the Board