ORDINANCE NO. 822

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL VEHICLE LICENSE FEE OF TWENTY DOLLARS, FOR A TOTAL ANNUAL VEHICLE LICENSE FEE OF FORTY DOLLARS.

WHEREAS, as provided in RCW 36.73, the Shoreline City Council formed a city-wide transportation benefit district known as the Shoreline Transportation Benefit District ("TBD") in 2009; and

WHEREAS, in October 2015, via Ordinance No. 726, the Shoreline City Council assumed the rights, powers, functions, immunities, and obligations of the TBD and the Council became the governing board; and

WHEREAS, RCW 36.73.065(4) and SMC 3.60.030(A) authorizes the TBD, by majority vote of the governing board and without a public vote, to impose a vehicle license fee of up to $40.00 provided a vehicle fee of $20.00 has been imposed for at least 24 months; and

WHEREAS, in July 2009, as authorized by RCW 36.73.065, the TBD imposed a vehicle license fee of $20.00; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, as the governing board, now finds it is in the best interest of the citizens of Shoreline to increase the annual vehicle license fee to $40.00 for the purpose of preserving, maintaining, and operating the transportation infrastructure of the City of Shoreline, including to assist in the funding of multi-model improvements such as curbs, gutters, and sidewalks; and

WHEREAS, RCW 82.80.140(4) mandates that no fee may be collected until six (6) months after approval under RCW 36.73.065;

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Increased Annual Vehicle License Fee. The annual vehicle license fee of $20.00 shall be increased to an annual fee of $40.00, consistent with RCW 36.73.065 and SMC 3.60.030, and is to be collected by the Washington State Department of Licensing on qualifying vehicles as set forth in RCW 82.80.140 and chapters 36.73 RCW and 46.16 RCW.

Section 2. Effective Date of Fee Collection. The increased vehicle license fee will not be collected sooner than six months after the effective date of this Ordinance as provided in RCW 82.80.140(4). The existing annual vehicle license fee of $20.00 established in 2009 shall remain in effect and be collected by the Washington State Department of Licensing until the effective date of the increased vehicle license fee established by this Ordinance.
Section 3. Revenues. The revenues received by the $20.00 increase shall be used only for transportation improvement projects contained in the City’s Transportation Plan or the operation, preservation, and maintenance of these facilities or programs.

Section 4. Directions to City Clerk. The City Council directs the City Clerk to notify the Washington State Department of Licensing of the vehicle fee established in Section 1 of this Ordinance and to request that the Department of Licensing take all steps necessary to implement collection of this fee in accordance with RCW 82.80.140.

Section 5. Corrections by City Clerk or Code Reviser. Upon approval of the City Attorney, the City Clerk and/or the Code Reviser are authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance, including the corrections of scrivener or clerical errors; references to other local, state, or federal laws, codes, rules, or regulations; or ordinance numbering and section/subsection numbering and references.

Section 6. Severability. Should any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance or its application to any person or situation be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance or its application to any person or situation.

Section 7. Publication and Effective Date. A summary of this Ordinance consisting of the title shall be published in the official newspaper. This Ordinance shall take effect September 1, 2018, PROVIDED THAT, the increased vehicle license fee shall not become effective until six months after the effective date of this Ordinance.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON JUNE 4, 2018.

Mayor Will Hall

ATTEST:

Jessica Simulcik Smith
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Margaret King
City Attorney

Date of Publication: June 7, 2018
Effective Date: September 1, 2018