ORDINANCE NO. 1464

CITY OF LACEY

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LACEY, RELATING TO THE LODGING TAX, AMENDING SECTION 3.03.020 OF THE LACEY MUNICIPAL CODE AND APPROVING A SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION.

WHEREAS, RCW 67.28.180 authorizes cities to collect a special excise tax not to exceed two percent on the sale of or charge made for the furnishing of lodging that is subject to tax under RCW 82.08, and

WHEREAS, the authorization to collect the special tax is conditioned upon conformity with RCW 67.28, and

WHEREAS, the definition of "Tourism promotion" and "Tourism-related facility" contained in RCW 67.28.080 have changed.

NOW, THEREFORE, 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 hereby 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, operations, 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 the marketing of or the operation 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, that is: (a)(i) Owned by a public entity; (ii) owned by a nonprofit organization described under section 501(c)(3) of the federal internal revenue code of 1986, as amended; or (iii) owned by a nonprofit organization described under section 501(c)(6) of the federal internal revenue code of 1986, as amended, a business organization, destination marketing organization, main street organization, lodging association,

or chamber of commerce and (b) 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. SEVERABILITY. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. CORRECTIONS. The City Clerk and the codifiers of this ordinance are authorized to make corrections to this ordinance including, but not limited to, the corrections of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection number and any references thereto.

Section 4. The Summary Attached is hereby approved for publication

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY,

WASHINGTON, at a regularly-called meeting thereof, held this 26th day of March, 2015.

CITY COUNCIL

By: _____
Mayor

Approved as to form:

_____
City Attorney

Attest:

_____
Deputy City Clerk

SUMMARY FOR PUBLIC ATION
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The City Council of Lacey, Washington passed on March 26, 2015, Ordinance No. 1464, entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LACEY, RELATING TO THE LODGING TAX, AMENDING SECTION 3.03.020 OF THE LACEY MUNICIPAL CODE AND APPROVING A SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION."

The main points of the Ordinance are described as follows:

1. The Ordinance amends the definitions of "Tourism Promotion" and "Tourism-related facility" to conform with RCW 67.28.020.

2. The Ordinance approves this summary for Publication.

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: March 30, 2015.