

## SEATAC CITY COUNCIL REPEALS UTILITY TAX

**SeaTac, WA** (**December 9, 2015**) - During last night's Regular Council Meeting the SeaTac City Council repealed the City's utility tax effective March 1, 2016.

The Council originally adopted the utility tax in October 2014, making it effective beginning January 1, 2015. The six percent (6%) tax originally adopted in October 2014 applied to electric energy, natural or manufactured gas, solid waste (5%), surface water management, telephone, and cable television businesses within the city. The ordinance repealing the tax will not affect utility companies' payment of the tax through February of next year.

The low-income, senior citizen utility tax relief program will also remain in full force while the tax is in effect. The annual rebate program applies to SeaTac residents who are very low income and either 65 or older or disabled and unable to work.

More information on the utility tax and relief program is available on the City's website at www.ci.seatac.wa.us/utilitytax.

## **About the City of SeaTac:**

Incorporated in February 1990, the City of SeaTac is located approximately midway between the cities of Seattle and Tacoma. The City of SeaTac is 10 square miles in area and has a population of 28,251. The City is a vibrant community, economically strong, environmentally sensitive, and people-oriented. The City boundaries surround the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, (approximately 3 square miles in area) which is owned and operated by the Port of Seattle.