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### **CITY COLLECTS MILLIONS IN PAST DUE TAXES**

In the past eighteen months, the city of Everett, with the help of D'Ambrosio LLP, has collected approximately \$2,100,000 in past due taxes and returned 240 properties to the active tax rolls. The City has also foreclosed on three long-standing tax title properties, which will clear an additional \$1.3 million from tax title arrears. One of those properties has been sold and the other two will soon be auctioned.

“My administration has been dedicated to collecting these past due taxes,” Mayor DeMaria said of the tax title collection program. “Some of these properties owners had not paid taxes in over twenty years and this must stop.”

This process has not just been about collecting long overdue revenue owed to the city. In addition, the city, with the help of Attorney Gerry D'Ambrosio and Attorney Peter Brown who have worked collaboratively with the Mayor's Office, the Solicitor's Office, City Services, the Assessor's Office and the Collector's Office, has assisted residents and homeowners who were being victimized by predatory lenders, worked with families to ensure that they were able to clear title issues, obtained social services for those in need and stopped absentee landlords from reaping revenues on their homes while not paying their taxes.

“Some of these residents needed our help,” Mayor DeMaria explained. “I'm thrilled that we could reach out to those in need and help the city at the same time.”

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