

**CLARK-COWLITZ FIRE RESCUE
RESOLUTION NO. 211118-1**

**AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A USED FIRE TRUCK
RCW 39.04.280**

WHEREAS, staff have determined that the existing 2002 Pierce Dash Tower identified as Shop 21 has lived a useful life and is in need of replacement by a newer unit due to its high maintenance cost and frequent time out of service; and

WHEREAS, the apparatus maintenance team and the Administrative Division Chief have spent substantial time and effort contacting vendors in order to identify new and used apparatus options that will meet the needs of the District; and

WHEREAS, the preliminary 2022 budget planned for the purchase of a new truck; and

WHEREAS, the cost of a new ladder truck is approximately \$1.5 million including taxes with a delivery window of 18-24 months; and

WHEREAS, the District has an immediate need to ensure reliable response capability; and

WHEREAS, it was discussed at the October 14 Board of Commissioners meeting that a 2020 Pierce Velocity 100' used ladder truck was currently available for approximately \$1.2 million including taxes, and

WHEREAS, Hughes Fire Equipment, the sales representative for Pierce Manufacturing indicated the apparatus would only be available for a short period of time as used apparatus sells quickly due to the lengthy manufacturing lead times and availability of used apparatus on the market; and

WHEREAS, at the October 14 Board meeting the Board also approved the Chief to secure funding and move forward with the purchase of the used truck should it meet the District's needs; and

WHEREAS, the apparatus maintenance lead and truck officers conducted an on-site inspection of the proposed apparatus, which was conducted October 18-20 and determined with some modifications that the unit will meet the District's planned truck replacement specifications; and

WHEREAS, said modifications are estimated to be \$100,000 including tax, and

WHEREAS, the apparatus will include the standard new apparatus warranty less one year; and


WHEREAS, the proposed apparatus could be delivered as soon as January 2022; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of this apparatus will save the District approximately \$200,000 and significantly reduce the purchase to in-service lead time; and

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Clark-Cowlitz Fire Rescue that the purchase of a used 2020 Pierce Velocity 100' ladder truck shall not be subject to the requirements of competitive bidding under the exemptions provided by RCW 39.04.280(1)(b) due to special market conditions and that the payment for said apparatus be made from the 2021 budget.

ADOPTED by the Clark-Cowlitz Fire Rescue Board of Fire Commissioners at a regular meeting of said Board on the 18th day of November, 2021 the following Commissioners being present and voting.



Commissioner Stanley Chunn – Chair


Commissioner James R Johnson – Vice Chair


Commissioner Larry Bartel


Commissioner Ken Ayers


Commissioner David Town


Attest: District Secretary