

**CLARK-COWLITZ FIRE RESCUE
RESOLUTION NO. 220623-1**

**AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A FIRE ENGINE
RCW 39.04.280**

WHEREAS, the opening of Station 151 at the Public Safety Complex and the assignment of an additional crew effective June 5 has created the need for an additional frontline engine; and

WHEREAS, the need for an additional frontline engine will draw down the number of reliable apparatus assigned to the reserve fleet to an insufficient level; and

WHEREAS, during a factory visit held May 23 through 26 for a final-inspection of apparatus on order with Pierce Manufacturing, the vendor advised the attending members of the apparatus maintenance team and the Logistics Battalion Chief that a spec-engine was currently under build and available for purchase; and

WHEREAS, the apparatus maintenance lead and Logistics Battalion Chief conducted an assessment of the proposed apparatus during the visit and determined the unit under build meets the District's specifications; and

WHEREAS, Hughes Fire Equipment, the sales representative for Pierce Manufacturing advised the proposed apparatus could be purchased for approximately \$850,000 (including taxes) on a first come, first serve basis; and

WHEREAS, apparatus on the market sells quickly due to the lengthy manufacturing lead times and availability of used apparatus on the market; and

WHEREAS, the proposed apparatus could be completed and delivered no later than December 2022; and

WHEREAS, the quoted cost for new a fire engine is approximately \$900,000 plus taxes with a delivery timeframe upwards of 24 months; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of this apparatus would save the District approximately \$100,000 and significantly reduce the purchase-to-in-service lead time; and

WHEREAS, the Chief authorized the issuance of a "hold" purchase order for the engine on June 2 pending Board discussion and review/authorization; and

WHEREAS, the Board's discussion regarding the opportunity to acquire the proposed apparatus during its June 9 meeting was followed by Board direction for the Chief to move forward with the purchase; 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 2022 Pierce Enforcer fire engine 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 the budget be adjust to reflect the monies to pay for said apparatus be transferred from Capital Equipment Replacement Fund 6228-1 with a capital expenditure made from the 2022 General Fund 6228 budget.

ADOPTED by the Clark-Cowlitz Fire Rescue Board of Fire Commissioners at a regular meeting of said Board on the 23rd day of June, 2022 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