

RESOLUTION NO. 8200

A RESOLUTION Declaring an Emergency and Authorizing Repairs to Fire Engine J0142 and Security Upgrades to the Fire Apparatus Fleet.

WHEREAS,

- A. The City operates a fire department that is continuously operating to meet the emergency services demands of the City of Everett.
- B. On July 18, 2025, just after 10:00 pm, Fire Engine 1, Apparatus #J0142, was blocking a lane of travel downtown on Hoyt Avenue. An unauthorized person accessed the driver's seat, engaged the transmission, released the brakes, and overcame a wheel immobilization device and stole the engine. Its theft resulted in significant damage to the unit on both sides of the apparatus.
- C. The Fire Department fleet is unique and operates with no surplus capacity. The repairs needed for J0142 will likely take months, and its absence from the fleet will impact on emergency services in Everett.
- D. The damage to J0142 represents unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of the City of Everett, and that (a) presents a real, immediate threat to the proper performance of essential functions and (b) will likely result in material loss or damage to property, bodily injury, or loss of life if immediate action is not taken.
- E. Security upgrades to the fire apparatus fleet are needed immediately to reduce the risk of a similar event occurring in the future.
- F. The necessary security upgrades to the fire apparatus fleet and if not immediately remedied represents unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of the City of Everett and that (a) present a real, immediate threat to the proper performance of essential functions and (b) will likely result in material loss or damage to property, bodily injury, or loss of life if immediate action is not taken.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. <u>Finding and Declaration of Emergency</u>. As stated above, the damage to J0142 is an unforeseen circumstance beyond the control of the City of Everett that (a) presents a real, immediate threat to the proper performance of essential functions and (b) will likely result in material loss or

damage to property, bodily injury, or loss of life if immediate action is not taken. In accordance with RCW 39.04.280 and the City's Procurement Policy, the City Council therefore declares and finds that an emergency exists. The recitals above are hereby adopted as findings in support of this resolution.

- 2. Waiver of Competitive Requirements / Authorization to Award.
 - a. <u>General Waiver and Authorization</u>. The City Council waives competitive requirements for procuring repairs to J0142 and security upgrades to the fire apparatus fleet. The Mayor or designee is authorized to execute and award all contracts and other instruments necessary for such repairs, including, but not limited to, contracts and purchase orders for the acquisition of materials, contracts for services, contracts for repair, and all change orders thereto.
 - b. <u>Approval of Ongoing Procurement</u>. In light of the emergency circumstances, the City Council assumes that City staff have already begun work in responding and may have already begun to solicit bids, quotes, and make purchases. So long as such staff actions are consistent with this resolution, those actions prior to the date of this resolution are hereby ratified and approved.
- 3. <u>Competition as Practical Under the Circumstances</u>. In accordance with City's Procurement Policy, City staff will make efforts to include a level of competition that is practical under the circumstances in making emergency purchases under this resolution.
- 4. <u>Summary to Council</u>. After the work under this resolution is complete, City staff will provide a summary to Council providing details of the purchases made under this resolution.

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Councilmember introducing resolution	

Passed and approved this 13th day of August, 2025.

Council President

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