RESOLUTION 2023-04-557

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITE SALMON, WASHINGTON, DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH ISSUES RELATED TO WELL #1 PUMP FAILURE.

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2023 the Public Works Department learned that the Well #1 pump was failing; and

WHEREAS, the due to possible public health risks including high potential of life threatening injury of public employees and severe reduction in water availability to White Salmon water users the immediate repair of the well pump was needed; and

WHEREAS, the conditions stated above constitute an emergency as defined by RCW 39.04.280(3a) due to the presence of real, immediate threat to the proper performance of essential functions; and

WHEREAS, the conditions stated above constitute an emergency as defined by RCW 39.04.280(3b) due to inaction likely resulting in bodily injury, or loss of life if immediate action is not taken; and

WHEREAS, the City Administrator and the Mayor of the City of White Salmon declared an emergency on March 31, 2023 and authorized the City of White Salmon Public Works Department to enter into contract(s) and incur obligations to address the emergency (Exhibit A);

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of White Salmon, Washington, do resolve as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby declared an emergency.

Section 2. Pursuant to the emergency declared at Section 1, the City is authorized to waive competitive bidding and enter into contract(s) and incur obligations necessary to repair well #1 pump.

Section 3. The declaration of a local emergency set forth at Section 1 shall terminate when in the Mayor's judgement the emergency stabilization of the well pump has been completed.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Council of the City of White Salmon, Washington. Dated this 5th day of April 2023.

Maria Keethler, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephanie Porter, City Clerk Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Shawn MacPherson, City Attorney

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