

CITY OF WHITE SALMON, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-07-417

**RESOLUTION DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY
FOR LOCATION PREPARATION FOR PRV INSTALLATION**

WHEREAS, on Monday, July 6th 2015 the City of White Salmon Public Works Department discussed progress on the Snowden Road Waterline project and coordinating related tie-ins with the installation of the Pressure Reduction Valve in order to provide limited uninterrupted water to the service area. The contractor stated that the work would not begin until July 16th, 2015 of the following week. July 7th, 2015 at approximately 2:00 PM the city discovered that the contractor had begun tie-ins the Snowden Road Waterline Project without notifying the City Engineer and Public Works Department.

WHEREAS, it is necessary to install the PRV Station and Snowden Road Waterline Project must be tie-in simultaneously, as stated in the contract, to ensure water delivery to the service area to prevent health issues.

WHEREAS, City staff was not able to safely begin work as planned until the following because the department was short staffed with planned medical procedures and vacations; and the work to prepare for the simultaneous installation began one week prior to the agreed upon date. This created an emergency situation as the tie-ins could not be completed without the installation of the PRV, which would leave customers without water. The PRV could not be delivered without the area being prepared for installation; and

WHEREAS, delay of the installation would cause a health risk to customers as they would be without water; and

WHEREAS, there is an emergency present, which necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant to the City of White Salmon Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan;

WHEREAS, to properly access appropriate services and equipment in a timely manner the City may need to waive competitive bidding requirements and award all necessary contracts on behalf of the City to properly address the incident;


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

Section 1. There is hereby declared an emergency as defined by RCW 39.04.280(3) due to the unforeseen nature of the condition and the immediate risk to public health.

Section 2. Pursuant to the emergency declared in Section 1, the City Public Works Department is authorized to enter into contract and incur obligations necessary to address such emergency with approval of the Mayor. Emergency measures may include excavating deep water services with a trackhoe, bench pit and backfilling and soil compaction and other related activities necessary to abate the emergency.


Section 3. The declaration of a local emergency set forth in Section 1 shall terminate when in the Mayor's judgment the emergency measures contained herein are no longer required to safeguard property and public health.

Passed by the City Council this 27th day of July, 2015 by not fewer than a majority plus one of the Council.



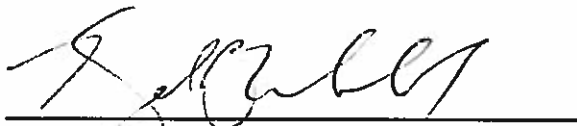
David Poucher, Mayor

ATTEST:



Leana Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Kenneth B. Woodrich, Attorney