

RESOLUTION 2019-06-487

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITE SALMON,
WASHINGTON, DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO PUBLIC SAFETY
ISSUES RELATED TO QUIET ZONE**

WHEREAS, the Federal Railway Administration has contacted the City of White Salmon regarding the safety requirements related to a Quiet Zone located at the railway crossing at South Dock Grade; and

WHEREAS, the safety barriers located at the railroad crossing at South Dock Grace are necessary to protect the public as required by the approval of a Quiet zone by the Federal Railway Administration; and

WHEREAS, the safety barriers have been damaged and must be immediately repaired or replaced; and

WHEREAS, the conditions stated above constitute an emergency as defined by RCW 39.04.280(3) due to the unforeseen nature of the situation described above, and the immediate risk for property damage and endangerment of lives; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of White Salmon declared an emergency on May 20, 2019 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 due to the safety barriers required for the Quiet Zone associated with the railway crossing at South Dock Grade being damaged.

Section 2. Pursuant to the emergency declared at Section 1, the City is authorized to enter into contract(s) and incur obligations necessary to repair the required safety barriers, including but not limited to, the purchase of supplies and the hiring of a contractor(s) to install the necessary safety barriers.

Section 3. The declaration of a local emergency set forth at Section 1 shall terminate when in the Mayor's judgement the replacement or repair of the required safety barriers associated with the Quiet Zone at the railway crossing located at South Dock Grade have been completed.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Council of the City of White Salmon, Washington.
Dated this 5th day of June, 2019.

David Poucher, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jan Brending Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kenneth Woodrich, City Attorney



City of White Salmon Office of City Hall

May 20, 2019

The Federal Railway Administration has contacted the City of White Salmon regarding the safety requirements related to a Quiet Zone located at the railroad crossing at South Dock Grade. The safety barriers have been damaged and must be immediately be repaired or replaced. The safety barriers are necessary to protect the public as required by the approval of a Quiet Zone by the Federal Railway Administration.

An emergency is present that necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant to the City of White Salmon Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan. To properly access appropriate services and equipment in a timely manner the City may need to waive competitive bidding required and award all necessary contracts on behalf of the city to properly address the incident.

I, David Poucher, Mayor declare an emergency as defined by RCW 39.04.280(3) due to the unforeseen nature of the situation described in the first paragraph, above, and the immediate risk for property damage and endangerment of lives.

Pursuant to the emergency declared, the City Public Works Department is authorized to enter into contract(s) and incur obligations to address such emergency with approval by the City Administrator. Emergency measure may include, but is not limited to, the purchase of supplies and the hiring of a contractor to install the necessary safety barriers.

The declaration of a local emergency shall terminate when in the City Administrator's judgment, the emergency measures contained herein are no longer required to safeguard property and lives.

Signed this 20th day of May, 2019.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David Poucher", is written over a horizontal line.

David Poucher, Mayor
City of White Salmon

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