

RESOLUTION 2022-01-534

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WHITE SALMON, WASHINGTON
AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF A STIPEND TO REIMBRUSE ACTUAL
CHILDCARE COSTS INCURRED BY VOLUNTEER MEMBERS OF CITY PUBLIC
BODIES TO ATTEND PUBLIC MEETINGS**

WHEREAS, the City of White Salmon relies heavily upon the volunteer time, efforts and energy of its residents to serve on various boards, commissions and committees, such as Planning Commission, Personnel and Finance Committee, City Operations Committee, Community Development Committee, Tree Board, CityLab Board, and Lodging Tax Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, while the City of White Salmon does not typically pay compensation or a stipend for the time devoted to such volunteer service, the City Council wants to reduce barriers to participation for this work in terms of paying for childcare while these volunteers attend meetings related to city business; and

WHEREAS, the City of White Salmon feels it is important to provide for a policy that includes providing the childcare stipend information when advertising a vacancy, providing documentation on the reimbursement form, and determining an appropriate dollar amount per hour.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of White Salmon authorizes the reimbursement of members of the following public bodies to obtain childcare for any dependent minor child of the member for any time during which members of these bodies are attending public meetings associated with their committee, commission and/or board duties:

- Planning Commission
- Personnel and Finance Committee
- City Operations Committee
- Community Development Committee
- Tree Board
- CityLab Board
- Lodging Tax Advisory Committee

Members shall submit documentation of childcare costs incurred in the previous month while attending public meetings associated with their committee, commission, or board duties.

Members shall be reimbursed within 30 days of presenting the documentation up to a maximum of \$12 per hour of qualifying childcare.

This Resolution shall not apply to members of the City Council or staff of the City of White Salmon.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of White Salmon, Washington on this 5th day of January, 2022.



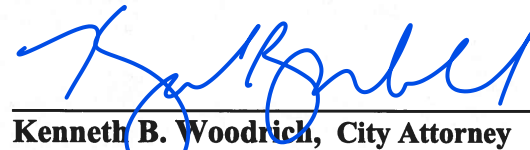
Marla Keethler, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jan Brending, Clerk Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Kenneth B. Woodrich, City Attorney