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**CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND  
WASHINGTON**

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-883**

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**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND,  
WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING ESTABLISHMENT OF  
AN AD HOC JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE CITY  
COUNCIL WITH THE KING COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT  
NO. 44 BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS TO EXPLORE  
LONG-TERM FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY  
MEDICAL SERVICE MODELS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Black Diamond currently contracts with King County Fire District 44 (the “**District**”) for fire protection and emergency medical services; and

**WHEREAS**, the current model of contracting with the District for such services does not appear to be sustainable for the long-term because the City has little control over the future contract rates charged by the fire district and, the City has no capital reserves with which to fund fire service improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council Public Safety Committee has recommended that the City Council support exploration and study of the viability, sustainability, and financial impact of various long-term fire protection models to provide fire protection and emergency medical services within the City, including, but not be limited to, the annexation of the City to the District; and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Safety Committee has further recommended that, because the District is already providing such services within the City and has knowledge, resources and expertise in the area of providing fire protection and emergency medical services, the City should engage in joint efforts with the District to explore and study fire protection models for the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council having considered and concurred in the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND,  
WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Creation of Ad Hoc Joint City Council Fire District Committee. That there is hereby created an Ad Hoc Joint Committee of the City Council and King County Fire District No. 44 Fire Commissioners to be known as the **FIRE PROTECTION JOINT AD HOC COMMITTEE** and to be composed of two members of the City Council, nominated and appointed by the City Council, and two members of the Fire District Board of Fire Commissioners, nominated and appointed by the Board of Fire Commissioners. The purpose of the Fire Protection Joint Ad Hoc Committee will be to explore and study the viability, sustainability, and financial impact of various long-term fire protection models to provide fire protection and emergency medical services within the City, including, but not be limited to, the annexation of the City to the District. The Fire Protection Joint Ad Hoc Committee shall be constituted upon the appointment of all four members and shall thereupon meet and appoint a chair and establish a meeting schedule, order of business and, procedural rules. All meetings shall comply with the open public meetings act and shall be advertised by both the City and the District. The Fire Protection Joint Ad Hoc Committee will terminate upon completion of its report and recommendation to the City Council and the Board of Fire Commissioners.

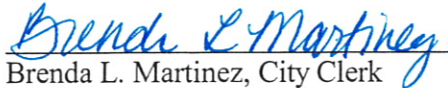
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF ON THE 1ST DAY OF AUGUST, 2013.

CITY OF BLACK DIAMOND



Rebecca Olness, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



Brenda L. Martinez, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Chris Bacha, City Attorney

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