

**PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1
CHELAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON
(Chelan County Fire District No. 1)
RESOLUTION NUMBER 2015-001**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS, FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1, CHELAN COUNTY, CONCURRING WITH THE CITY OF WENATCHEE TO INITIATE THE ANNEXATION OF THE CITY OF WENATCHEE TO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1 (CHELAN COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1); FINDING THAT THE PUBLIC INTEREST WILL BE SERVED THEREBY; REQUESTING THE APPROVAL OF THE CHELAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND PLACEMENT OF THE ANNEXATION PROPOSITION ON THE BALLOT FOR THE APRIL 2015 SPECIAL ELECTION, OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS PROVIDED BY LAW

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 52.04.061, the process of city annexation to a fire district for service is initiated by an ordinance of a city stating the city's intent to join and annex into the fire district, finding that the public interest will be served thereby; and

WHEREAS, having reviewed the options for the continued provision of fire and emergency medical service to the residents of the City of Wenatchee ("City"), the City Council has initiated the process for annexation of the City to Fire Protection District No. 1, Chelan County (Chelan County Fire District No. 1, the "Fire District") for such services; and

WHEREAS, on January 8, 2015, the City Council of the City of Wenatchee passed its Ordinance No. 2015-01 for the annexation, including the City's finding that the public interest will be served by annexation of the City to the Fire District; and

WHEREAS, the Fire District has considered the proposed annexation of the City to the Fire District effective July 30, 2015 and concurs with the annexation; and

WHEREAS, the Fire District finds that an Interlocal Agreement for annexation of the City of Wenatchee into Chelan County Fire Protection District No. 1, to provide for coordination of the activities of the City and the Fire District is necessary and appropriate to accommodate such annexation and, as such, the parties have commenced work on such an agreement that would, in part, attempt to transition all existing City Fire Department employees to the Fire District; and

WHEREAS, following the effective date of City Ordinance No. 2015-01, notification shall be transmitted to the Chelan County Commissioners, which shall then call a special election to be held in the City and Fire District at the time and in the manner provided in RCW 52.04.071; and

WHEREAS, it appears that as of this date that an area commonly known as Olds Station will be annexed into the Fire District and, in anticipation of this, the City and Fire District have executed a Pre-Annexation Agreement providing for continued service to the Olds Station area by the Fire District and for the City to pay for such service under an interlocal cooperation agreement until July 1, 2016 or the City is annexed into the Fire District, whichever comes first.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire Protection District No. 1, Chelan County, Washington, as follows:

Section 1. Declaration and Finding. Fire Protection District No. 1, Chelan County, Washington, declares and finds that annexation of the City to the Fire District is in the public interest.

Section 2. District Concurrence. Pursuant to RCW 52.04.061, the Board of the Fire District concurs with the proposed annexation of the City to the Fire District, effective July 30, 2015. The City shall complete such environmental review as may be necessary or appropriate pursuant to the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). The City shall act as the "lead agency" under SEPA.


Section 3. Notification to County Commissioners – Election. This Resolution constitutes a call for an election on the annexation ballot proposition, consistent with Chapter 52.04 RCW. The District Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to notify the Chelan County Commissioners of the Fire District's acceptance of the City's annexation proposal and to request that the Chelan County Commissioners call a special election for the annexation proposition to be held on April 28, 2015 (and any appeal thereof) for the annexation to take effect on July 30, 2015.

Section 4. Severability. If any one or more sections, subsections, or sentences of this Resolution are held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the validity and enforceability of the remaining portion of this resolution and the same shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Filing. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be filed with the Chelan County Commissioners.

MOVED AND PASSED at a special meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners for Fire Protection District No. 1, Chelan County, Washington on January 14, 2015, of which all Commissioners were notified and all were present and voting.

**BOARD OF FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS
Chelan County Fire Protection District No. 1**




Mike Compton, Chairman - Commissioner



Herb Troxel, Commissioner



Phil Dormaier, Commissioner

Attest:


Cindy Blaufuss, District Secretary