November 22, 2016

Dear King County Council,

Enclosed with this letter is a resolution recently adopted by the Board of Commissioners of King County Fire District #28. While the resolution may speak for itself, I felt perhaps some background might be in order.

In 2011, our district annexed the City of Enumclaw, of which represents the majority of the population within our Fire District. Prior to the annexation the City of Enumclaw was the lead agency and King County Fire District Protection #28 contracted for service with City of Enumclaw for fire protection.

Regardless if our citizens live within the City or the unincorporated areas of the Fire District, they have known their Fire Department for decades as the Enumclaw Fire Department.

RCW 52.30.060 allows the commissioners to propose that the name be changed, subject to the approval of the name by a resolution of the legislative authority in the county in which the largest portion of the district lies.

Since our district, heretofore legally named King County Fire Protection District #28, has been both formally and informally identified as the "Enumclaw Fire Department" for many decades, we would like to make that our legal and corporate name for this municipal corporation. The present informal name is accurate, and is already widely recognized.

Please let us know if this matter can be placed before the King County Council and how they decide to act on the matter.

Respectfully,

Randy Fehr

Randy Fehr, Fire Chief
DISTRICT LEGAL AND CORPORATE NAME CHANGE

KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #28
KING COUNTY, STATE OF WASHINGTON
RESOLUTION #2016-008

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF KING COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #28, WASHINGTON, PROPOSING THAT THE LEGAL NAME AND CORPORATE NAME OF THE DISTRICT BE CHANGED TO "ENUMCLAW FIRE DEPARTMENT", SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE KING COUNTY COUNCIL, PURSUANT TO RCW 52.30.060.

WHEREAS, King County Fire Protection District # 28 annexed the City of Enumclaw in 2011; and

WHEREAS, the District has been using the name "Enumclaw Fire Department" prior to annexation for more than 50 years, displaying that name on apparatus, uniform insignia and stations; and

WHEREAS, the Citizens of the District recognize Enumclaw as a geographical area within King County; and

WHEREAS, RCW 52.30.060 provides, "The name of a fire protection district shall be changed, as proposed by resolution of the board of fire commissioners of the district, upon the adoption of a resolution approving the change by the county legislative authority of the county in which all, or the largest portion, of a fire protection district is located."; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners desires to make the name that has been used for many years the official corporate and legal name of the district because the largest portion of the district is located in Enumclaw, and it would cost a substantial amount to change the name on all apparatus and stations, without any benefit to the public;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1.

The Board of Commissioners hereby proposes that the District's corporate name and legal name be officially and legally changed to "Enumclaw Fire Department", effective upon the effective date of a resolution approving the change, adopted and filed by the King County Council.

Section 2.

The District Secretary is hereby directed to forward this resolution to the King County Council, with an explanatory cover letter, and with a request that the matter be acted upon by the
Council at their earliest opportunity, and that the King County Council advise the Fire District of its action.

PASSED this 11th day of November, 2016 and signed in authentication of its passage this 11th day of November, 2016.

APPROVED:  

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Stan McCall, Chairperson

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Angela Stubblefield, Vice Chairperson

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David Hannity, Commissioner

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Jim Zoll, Commissioner

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Amy Trachte, Commissioner

ATTEST:  

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Ashley Van Dam, District Secretary