

RESOLUTION NO. 644

A RESOLUTION RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE, ESTABLISHING AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES UTILITY FEE PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY GRANTED IN RCW 35.21.766; REPEALING RESOLUTION 585; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

R E C I T A L S:

1. Pursuant to the authority granted by RCW 35.21.766, the City has taken the preliminary steps to implement a means of funding a necessary payment in order to provide adequate emergency medical services to its system.

2. Pursuant to the authority granted in the provisions of Chapter 2.52 of the Municipal Code, the actual monthly monetary amount of the EMS utility fee to fund the provision of an ambulance service to its citizens may be established by resolution. This was done most recently through the adoption of Resolution 585.

3. Since the adoption of Resolution 585, the contract for provision of EMS services by GHFD #5 has been renewed at an increased cost. Further, given the analysis provided to the Mayor and Council by the management of the Fire District, the annualized cost will increase each of the next three years.

4. In taking the action provided by Section I, the Council and Mayor have considered the additional fiscal

information provided to them and find there is a need to increase the monthly fee to fund the contractual payment required to maintain that service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF McCLEARY, THE MAYOR SIGNING IN AUTHENTICATION THEREOF:

SECTION I:

A. Pursuant to applicable law, including the applicable provisions of Chapter 2.52, MMC, a fee, hereinafter referred to as an "Ambulance Service Fee", in the amount of Ten Dollars & Thirty Cents (\$10.30) per month per equivalent dwelling unit (EDU) is levied against and shall be collected from each utility customer within the City who or which is served and billed by the City for utility services. To the extent applicable, this charge shall be subject to calculation, as to the covered facilities set forth in that section, in the manner provided in Chapter 2.52.

B. In recognition of the contract annual fee modification required pursuant to the contractual terms, the fee set pursuant to A shall be increased by one percent (1%) as of December 16, 2012 and December 16, 2013.

SECTION II: In administering the determination of the fee to be paid by each responsible unit within the City, the provisions of Ordinance 252 shall be utilized.

SECTION III: Application

A. The rates set by Section I of this resolution shall be applied as to all utility customers subject to the billing of the ERU charge for the period of April 16, 2012, through May 15, 2012, said amount to be billed on the utility billings issued on or about May 31, 2012.

B. Resolution 585 shall be repealed as of the date the rates set forth in Section I become applicable: PROVIDED THAT, such repeal shall not affect the validity of any charge accrued prior to that date.

PASSED THIS 25th DAY OF APRIL, 2012, by the City Council of the City of McCleary, and signed in authentication thereof this 25th day of April, 2012.


CITY OF McCLEARY:


D. GARY DENT, Mayor

ATTEST:


WENDY COLLINS, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


DANIEL O. GLENN, City Attorney