

CITY OF LYNDEN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Meeting Date:	7/7/2025	
Name of Agenda Item:	RES-25-1124 Interlocal Agreement Surplus and Sale of 1997 Pierce Pump Engine	
Section of Agenda:	Consent Agenda	
Department:	Finance	
Council Committee Review <input type="checkbox"/> Community Development <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Safety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Finance <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works <input type="checkbox"/> Parks <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____		Legal Review <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Reviewed <input type="checkbox"/> No - Not Reviewed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Review Not Required
Attachments		
RES-25-1124		
Fiscal Impact		
Amount: 1.00 Source/Fund: General Fund	Included in the 2025 Budget? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Comments: N/A		
Summary Statement		
<p>The 1997 Pierce Pump Engine has reached the end of its useful life for City purposes as it has exceeded the National Fire Protection Association standards. Although fire engines are costly to purchase, their fair market value once the useful life is exceed is limited due to NFPA standards. The joint Finance and Fire Department recommendation is to sell the fire truck to the Mount Vernon School District for use in its Fire Sciences program, which is operating out of Meridian High School and provides access to students throughout Whatcom County who are interested in firefighting.</p> <p><i>The Fire Science program at NCTA offers high school students a unique opportunity to experience what it takes to serve in emergency response roles. With access to a fully equipped fire truck, students can train on real-world apparatus, gaining practical skills in fireground operations, equipment handling, and team-based problem-solving. This level of immersive learning builds confidence, technical competence, and a clear pathway for students to launch their careers into the fire service. The benefit to the broader community is significant. This investment strengthens the local pipeline of well-trained, motivated individuals who are prepared to enter public safety careers in our region. In an era when recruitment and retention challenges are growing across fire and emergency services, early exposure and hands-on experience can inspire students to serve their own communities.</i></p>		
Recommended Action		
Make a motion to approve Resolution 25-1124 to declare the 1997 Pierce Pump Engine as surplus and authorize the sale to Mount Vernon School District for use in the Fire Science Program operating out of Meridian High School.		