



# Columbia River Fire & Rescue

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### Memorandum

**To:** City Administrator John Walsh

**From:** Division Chief: Jimmy Sanchez

**Date:** 08/21/23

**Memo#:**23-24-18

**Re:** Proposal for a \$1.6 million loan from the city of Saint Helens, OR.

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Per our conversation today,

I propose that Columbia River Fire & Rescue partner with Gulgun Ugur (Hawkins, Delafield & Wood LLP) obtain a \$1.6M loan from the city of St. Helens. We can request a conflict waiver from Gulgun Ugur and work with them to iron out the fine print. Upon receipt of tax revenue, CRFR will pay the full amount back by November's end. This will ensure that emergency services continue without interruption. This partnership will prove fruitful for all parties involved despite the political pressure that you have received to not follow through with this loan. It is unimaginable to assume that the public would not want to assist in keeping emergency services for St. Helens and Columbia County uninterrupted. This partnership would further assert the city's willingness to provide for its citizens and those in need of emergency care in conjunction with CRFR.

We look forward to your response and collaboration in this matter.