

TO: City Council
FROM: Brian Hurley, Fire Chief
DATE: November 21, 2023
SUBJECT: Agreement with the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation for Fire Protection and Emergency Services

1) Recommended Action:

Authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement with the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation for Fire Protection and Emergency Services.

2) Background:

The Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation hold land and operate businesses in the City of Tumwater (referred to as "Exit 99 Reservation Properties"). As a sovereign nation, the Tribe does not pay taxes to the City of Tumwater. The Tumwater Fire Department provides fire protection and emergency services to all properties within the City. In 2022 the parties recognized the need for a response agreement for the provision of these services. This agreement has already been approved by the Tribe. Following a briefing, the agreement was recommended to Council for approval by the Public Health and Safety Committee.

3) Policy Support:

Strategic Priorities and Goals 2023-24:

A. Build a Community Recognized for Quality, Compassion and Humanity

8. Build Tribal Relations

D. Provide and Sustain Quality Public Safety Services

4) Alternatives:

Do not recommend approval

5) Fiscal Notes:

Agreement includes annual amount of \$32,500 paid to the City for fire and emergency services

6) Attachments:

A. Agreement with the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation for Fire Protection and Emergency Services