

TO: City Council
FROM: Stan Osborn, Parks and Facilities Manager
DATE: February 7, 2023
SUBJECT: Resolution No. R2023-005, Brewmaster's House Emergency Repair and Restoration

1) Recommended Action:

Adopt Resolution No. R2023-005, finding the existence of an emergency and ratifying the Emergency Declaration and Waiver of Competitive Bidding Requirements for Brewmaster's House Repair and Restoration.

2) Background:

On January 21, 2023, the Brewmaster's House/Museum was the target of arson and sustained damage to the exterior, interior and some contents within the house. The Brewmaster's House, listed on the Tumwater Register of Historic Places and the National Register as part of the Tumwater Historic District, acts as a museum and archive for many irreplaceable historic Tumwater photographs, paperwork, and memorabilia.

The Declaration of Emergency signed by the Mayor on January 31, 2023, allows staff to immediately contract for the necessary repair and restoration services. Securing the property and repairing the house immediately is necessary to curtail further damage. RCW 39.04.280 and the Tumwater Purchasing Manual require the Council to making findings of the existence of an emergency within two weeks of awarding contracts under the emergency purchasing exemption. This resolution finds the existence of an emergency. Ratifying the Emergency Declaration and Waiver of Competitive Bidding Requirements allows staff to act quickly to enable a greater chance of renovation success.

3) Policy Support:

RCW 39.04.280 and Sections 2.7.5 and 3.5.5 of the Tumwater Purchasing Manual provides for an emergency exemption to competitive bidding requirements for public works; and the Brewmaster's House is a historic building and as such requires special care in its repair and restoration.

4) Alternatives:

- ☐ Adopt Resolution No. R2023-005, Brewmaster's House Emergency Repair and Restoration
 - ☐ Do not adopt Resolution No. R2023-005, Brewmaster's House Emergency Repair and Restoration
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5) Fiscal Notes:

The City will work through Washington Cities Insurance Authority (WCIA) for insurance coverage and with the state Department of Archaeology & Historic Preservation (DAHP) for restoration and repair consultation.

6) Attachments:

A. Resolution No. R2023-005, Brewmaster's House Emergency Repair and Restoration