RESOLUTION NUMBER 172

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE VALLEY REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY ADOPTING A CAPITAL FACILITIES PLAN

WHEREAS, the Valley Regional Fire Authority (the "VRFA") is the designated provider of fire protection, fire suppression, and emergency medical response services ("Services") within the boundaries of the VRFA;

WHEREAS, the VRFA faces challenges in providing the Services at an urban level in a manner consistent with urban levels of service as established at National Fire Protection Association ("NFPA") standards; and

WHEREAS, the VRFA is prepared to advise the cities of Algona, Pacific and Auburn ("Cities") that the VRFA lacks the financial resources and funding sources to provide and maintain urban levels of service or to have the facilities necessary to provide the Services at urban levels to the urban areas of the VRFA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 36.70A.470, it is the Cities' obligation to initiate and to amend their respective Comprehensive Plans when the Cities are aware of any errors or changed circumstances in the existing Comprehensive Plans, such as the inability of the VRFA to provide the Services at urban levels, and lacks the necessary facilities to provide the Services at urban levels; and

WHEREAS, the VRFA has prepared a draft Capital Facilities Plan (the "Plan" or "CFP") in compliance with the requirements of the Growth Management Act ("GMA") pursuant to RCW 36.70A.070; and

WHEREAS, the Plan assessed existing capital facilities and identified needed capital facilities, including new, upgraded, improved or replacement facilities necessary to allow the VRFA to have adequate facilities to provide, maintain and increase the level of services to the future development within the VRFA, and to the urban areas within the VRFA in particular, at levels of service consistent with NFPA standards, such as NFPA 1710 and/or NFPA 1720, utilizing applicable population forecasts and allocation;

WHEREAS, the GMA includes the goal to "ensure that those public facilities and services necessary to support development shall be adequate to serve the development at the time the development is available for occupancy and use without decreasing current service levels below locally established minimum standards"; and

WHEREAS, the VRFA's capital facilities planning process would ideally result in collection of the capital funds necessary for consistently providing an urban level of service;

WHEREAS, due to statutory limitations on revenue generation for the VRFA, in order to implement the VRFA's Plan and financial plan therein, additional revenue is required from the Cities or a third party, and any proposed impact fee/mitigation fee schedule in the Plan would provide for an impact or mitigation fee to be assessed on development to mitigate impacts caused by the new development on the Services to be used for future required capital facilities necessary to maintain the pre-existing level of service, with such fees allocated on a proportional basis, and based upon the principals of allocation of costs related to the impacts to capital facilities that are reasonably necessary as a direct result of the development and the need for urban levels of services, and excluding costs necessary to cure existing capital facility deficiencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE VRFA ("VRFA BOARD") TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

- 1. The VRFA Board adopts the Capital Facilities Plan as set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto as its Capital Facility Plan.
- 2. The VRFA Board directs the Fire Chief, in his discretion, to forward a copy of this Resolution and Exhibit A (the original Plan) to each of the Cities, recommending inclusion of the Plan in the applicable plans of each City.
- 3. The Plan may be amended from time to time by Motion of the Board. Said amendments shall be memorialized as Exhibits to be attached to the original Plan, and shall be forwarded to the Cities upon adoption. Said Exhibits may include but are not limited to the adoption of Impact Fee (RCW 82.02) or SEPA Mitigation Fee schedules (RCW 43.21C).

PASSED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE VALLEY REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY ON THE 9th DAY OF MARCH, 2021.

Chair David E. Hill

ATTEST:

Stefanie Harper, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Eric Quinn. Counsel to the Authority