RESOLUTION NO. 511

ALTERNATIVE FUEL EXEMPTION

WHEREAS the Washington state legislature has mandated that effective June 1, 2018, all local government subdivisions of the state are required to satisfy one hundred percent of their fuel usage for operating publicly owned vessels, vehicles, and construction equipment from electricity or biofuel; and

WHEREAS RCW 43.19.648(2)(c) authorizes local governments to elect to exempt police, fire, and other emergency response vehicles, including utility vehicles frequently used for emergency response, from the electricity and biofuel usage requirement; and

WHEREAS The District does not use 200,000 gallons or more of gasoline or diesel fuel on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS Pursuant to WAC 194-29-030(3), 194-29-040 and 194-29-080 the District is exempt from the annual reporting requirements of RCW 43.19.648 and the emergency vehicle exemption notice requirement of RCW 43.19.648(2)(c)(ii).

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners has considered the current availability of alternative fuel technologies available for emergency response vehicles and has determined that such technologies are not currently available to cost effectively meet the demands emergency response vehicles and it is in the best interest of the District to formally exempt all District owned fire and emergency response vehicles from the electricity and biofuel usage requirements at the present time; and

WHEREAS the Department of Commerce has published Alternative Fuel and Vehicle Procurement Guides (Exhibit A) that provide criteria for determining whether alternative fuels and vehicles are appropriate for the District’s nonemergency response vehicle.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Snohomish County Fire Protection District #4 that all District owned fire and emergency response vehicles are hereby exempt from the electricity and biofuel usage requirement established under RCW 43.19.648 until such time as such vehicles can meet the demands of emergency response vehicles and become available on the open market at competitive lifecycle costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Snohomish County Fire Protection District #4 that the District will, within the budgetary limitations of the District, follow the Department of Commerce Alternative Fuel and Vehicle Procurement Guide set forth in Exhibit A when replacing and purchasing nonemergency response vehicles.
Adoption: ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Snohomish County Fire Protection District #4, Snohomish County, Washington, at an open public meeting of such Board on the 11th day of June, 2018, the following Commissioners being present and voting:

MARK HINTZ, BOARD CHAIRMAN

JAMES H. SCHMOKER, JR., COMMISSIONER

RICHARD E. FLATH, COMMISSIONER

RON W. SIMMONS, DISTRICT SECRETARY

06/11/2018

DATE