

SHORELINE FIRE DEPARTMENT (RFA) GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Matt Cowan, Chief

Matt Hochstein, Deputy Chief (DC)

REGULAR SHORELINE FIRE DEPARTMENT (RFA) MEETING MINUTES September 18, 2025

Commissioner Fischer called the regular meeting of the Shoreline Regional Fire Authority (RFA) Governing Board to order at 5:30 p.m. on September 18, 2025, at Station 51, 7220 NE 181st Street, Kenmore, WA. 98028.

PRESENT:

Kimberly Fischer, Chair

Tyler Byers, Vice-Chair (attended via Zoom)

Eric Adman, Commissioner
David Harris, Commissioner
Rod Heivilin, Commissioner
Rick Nye, Commissioner
Josh Pratt, Commissioner
Barb Sullivan, Commissioner
Rick Webster, Commissioner

Lisa Wollum, Commissioner (attended via Zoom)

ABSENT:

Andres Orams, Deputy Chief (DC)

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT:
 - None.

IV. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Commissioner Pratt moved, and Commissioner Webster seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed; ten ayes.

V. APPROVAL OF PAST MINUTES:

MOTION: Commissioner Webster moved, and Commissioner Sullivan seconded a motion to approve the August 21, 2025, regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed; ten ayes.

MOTION: Commissioner Sullivan moved, and Commissioner Heivilin seconded a motion to approve the September 4, 2025, regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed; ten ayes.

MOTION: Commissioner Webster moved, and Commissioner Pratt seconded a motion to approve the September 11, 2025, special meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed; ten ayes.

MOTION: Commissioner Pratt moved, and Commissioner Webster seconded a motion to approve the September 15, 2025, special meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed; ten ayes.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE:

- The Department received a letter from a local citizen expressing appreciation for their services at the Hillwood Neighborhood Association's Annual Ice Cream Social.
- Commissioner Fischer noted receipt of a text message from a friend thanking the Shoreline Fire Department for their response to a recent call.

VII. STANDING AGENDA:

1. Warrants:

SHORELINE FIRE DEPARTMENT REGIONAL FIRE AUTHORITY VOUCHER COVER SHEET

Second Board Meeting SEPTEMBER 18, 2025

TYPE OF TRANSACTION	INVOICE NUMBER	DISBURSEMENT AMOUNT	RELEASE DATE
RFA EXPENSE FUND: 10-064-0010	The second secon		
Vendor Voucher(s)	250910001 - 250910031	49,022.66	9/10/25
Vendor Voucher(s)	250911001 - 250911029	563,105.38	9/17/25
Vendor Voucher(s)	250919001 - 250919030	72,632.91	9/24/25
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ACH Payment Request - Payroll Direct Deposit		will be presented at next meeting	
ACH Payment Request - HRA/VEBA		will be presented at next meeting	
ACH Payment Request - ALERUS (457 Plan)		will be presented at next meeting	
ACH Payment Request - WA DCP		will be presented at next meeting	
ACH Payment Request - Dept. of Retirement Systems		will be presented at next meeting	
ACH Payment Request - IAFF Local 1760 (Union Dues)		will be presented at next meeting	
ACH Payment Request - DSHS ACH Payment Request - Payroll Taxes		will be presented at next meeting will be presented at next meeting	

\$ 684,760.95

RFA ALS EXPENSE FUND: 10-064-6080			
Vendor Voucher(s)	250909001 - 250909008	6,725.09	9/10/25
	250915001 - 250915007	141,096.57	9/17/25
	250916001 - 250916005	16,232.32	9/24/25
Payroll Vouchers		will be presented at next meeting	
ACH Payment Request - Payroll Direct Deposit		will be presented at next meeting	
ACH Payment Request - HRA/VEBA		will be presented at next meeting	
ACH Payment Request - ALERUS (457 Plan)		will be presented at next meeting	
ACH Payment Request - WA DCP		will be presented at next meeting	
Dept of Retirement Systems		will be presented at next meeting	
ACH Payment Request - IAFF Local 1760 (Union Dues)		will be presented at next meeting	
ACH Payment Request - Payroll Taxes		will be presented at next meeting	

\$ 164,053.98

A ALS CAPITAL FUND: 10-064-6060		
Vendor Voucher(s)	No Activity	

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			\$	170,654.21	
	RFA NKCTC FUND: 10-064-0100				
	Vendor Voucher(s)	250912001		12,862.50	9/17/2
	Vendor Voucher(s)			274.47	9/24/2
			\$	13,136.97	
	RFA FIRE BENEFIT FEE: 10-064-0030		No Act	T. Alba	
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	RFA BENEFITS FUND: 10-064-6050	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
	Vendor Voucher(s)	1		3,165.60	9/10/2
	Vendor Voucher(s)	250914001 - 250914005		35,629.20	9/17/2
			\$	38,794.80	
	RFA DONATION FUND: 10-064-6030 Vendor Voucher(s)	T-10110 1000 1100 1100 1100 1100 1100 11		No Activity	enggal etalogia. I ngan ng tao i Magata t Ing Mgaadigha tait i Mi
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	RFA RESERVE FUND: 10-064-6010				
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	MOTION				
Move to acce	pt disbursements in the amount of :		\$	1,071,400.91	

MOTION: Commissioner Pratt moved, and Commissioner Wollum seconded a motion to accept the disbursements for \$1,071,400.91 per the detail above. The motion passed; ten ayes.

2. Commissioners' Report:

• No report.

3. Financial Report

 The August 2025 Financial Summary Report will be provided at the October 2 Board meeting.

4. Statistics Report:

No report.

5. Strategic Activity Report:

- DC Hochstein provided a brief update on the Station 57 HVAC project.
 - ➤ The Department submitted a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Station 57 HVAC Replacement and Installation project. The RFP was posted through the MRSC small works roster to over 130 listed vendors.
 - Final proposals are due the afternoon of September 30. The Department will evaluate the proposals and provide a recommendation to the Governing Board at its October 2 meeting for approval to award the contract.
 - ➤ Commissioner Adman asked if the project proposal included the potential for additional bedrooms. DC Hochstein confirmed that language was added to the proposal to allow for the configuration of two (2) future sleeping rooms within the existing framework of the building.
- Chief Cowan noted the Department has also submitted an RFP for mental health consulting services to support the Peer Support Program and assist with employee health.

6. RFA Activity Reports:

- Chief Cowan provided a written RFA activity report, which is attached and incorporated by reference.
 - > The Department continues to work on finalizing the Uniformed and Chief Officer Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBA). Final drafts will be provided to the Commissioners for review, followed by a briefing under executive session if needed, with potential approval at the October 2 Governing Board meeting.
 - ➤ Chief Cowan also provided a brief update on recent public records requests and personnel rescue training.
 - ➤ Chief Cowan attended the Regional Crisis Response (RCR) Operations Board meeting. The RCR program is a collaborative mobile crisis response service in north King County that dispatches Mental Health Professionals (MHPs) to behavioral health crises instead of law enforcement. Topics discussed included usage data, ongoing and future needs, and challenges to expanded use.
- **Deputy Chief Hochstein** provided a written RFA activity report, which is attached and incorporated by reference.
 - DC Hochstein provided an update on the Department's strategic communications vendor contract with Gallatin Public Affairs. The contract includes ongoing website and internal portal training and has resulted in significant improvements to the Department's RFP and recruitment processes.

- The Department's new ladder truck is scheduled to arrive at Hughes Fire Equipment later this month and will be delivered to the Department this fall for final preparation. It will replace Ladder Truck 161, which will be retained as a reserve. A push-in ceremony will be scheduled upon delivery.
- > DC Hochstein also provided a brief update on fire apparatus service arrangements with the Bothell Fire Department.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

No Report.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

• Lifepak Purchase Discussion:

- > The Department's current stock of LIFEPAK portable, multi-functional devices is nearing end of life.
- > The purchases were identified in the 20-year replacement strategy and budgeted for 2026; however, the Department will need to initiate the purchases sooner to avoid a significant price increase.
- Commissioner Pratt recommended that replacement costs be set aside in a specific fund for these purchases moving forward.

• Resolution 25-17 Transfer of Credit Card Accounts to RFA:

➤ The Governing Board recognizes the need to provide access to funds in a timelier manner than the standard vouchering process allows, and to accommodate time-critical purchases, as outlined in Policy Admin 126.3 – Financial Procedures.

MOTION: Commissioner Webster moved, and Commissioner Wollum seconded a motion to authorize the Governing Board of Commissioners to sign Resolution 25-17 and authorize the Fire Chief or designee to authorize the transfer of all existing Department credit card accounts to the Regional Fire Authority, and authorize the use, cancellation, or re-assignment of US Bank credit cards under the Regional Fire Authority. The motion passed; ten ayes.

Pre-Payment Pierce Heavy Duty Rescue:

A quote and contract with Hughes Fire Equipment for the purchase of a Pierce heavy duty rescue apparatus was provided to the Commissioners for review. The pre-payment option offers significant savings. Although budgeted for 2027 as part of the 20-year strategic plan, Chief Cowan requested consensus from the Governing Board to initiate the purchase this year to take advantage of the savings. The Governing Board agreed, with the exception of Commissioner Byers, who had stepped out of the meeting.

Embroidery/Logo Discussion:

- > The Board discussed logo and clothing embroidery for the new RFA Governing Board.
- Commissioner Fischer volunteered to prepare a mockup logo including the RFA Governing Board title.

X. PROJECTED AGENDA:

- Commissioner Nye will attend the October 2, 2025, meeting via Zoom or will have an excused absence.
- Commissioner Adman will attend the October 2, 2025, meeting via Zoom or will have an
 excused absence.
- Commissioner Webster will be attending meetings via Zoom October 20 through end of December.
- Commissioner Nye will have an excused absence at the November 20, 2025, meeting.
- The Washington Fire Commissioners' annual fall seminar will be held October 22–25, 2025.
- The Department's Leadership Retreat is scheduled for October 27–29, 2025.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- The Governing Board moved into Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) Litigation at 6:40 p.m. for approximately five minutes, to 6:45 p.m.
- The Executive Session concluded at 6:45 p.m., and the regular meeting of the Governing Board reconvened at 6:46 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Governing Board of Commissioners adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Beatriz Goldsmith

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Secretary to the Governing Board

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