

**RESOLUTION NO.**

Consolidate the Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance section of the Bureau of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services with the rest of the City fleet under the management of the Bureau of General Services (Resolution)

**WHEREAS**, a 1993 audit of the Logistical Support Program in the Bureau of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services concluded that savings could be achieved by combining the Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance section of BFRES with the rest of the City's consolidated fleet, and

**WHEREAS**, the report states "Using a full cost of service analysis, the Bureau of General Services provides maintenance services at a lower hourly rate than the Fire Bureau's Logistical Support Program," and that significant overhead could be saved through consolidation, and

**WHEREAS**, the report states that the hourly overhead rate for Fire fleet is 100 percent higher than the overhead rate charged by BGS, and

**WHEREAS**, in 1993 the BFRES managers stated their concerns that quality fleet maintenance could not be assured with the transfer of these responsibilities to BGS, and

**WHEREAS**, a March 1998 audit of City Fleet Services, costs and performance, showed the consolidated fleet compared very favorably in terms of cost and service levels with other well managed cities around the country and with the private sector locally, and

**WHEREAS**, the BFRES fleet consists of approximately 185 vehicles of which approximately 120 are on full service contract with BGS and approximately 65 are still maintained by Fire, and

**WHEREAS**, BFRES operates one fleet maintenance center with six mechanics open approximately ten hours per day, and

**WHEREAS**, BGS operates four major fleet facilities and four smaller satellite facilities maintaining 2,500 pieces of equipment with 44 mechanics open 18 hours per day, and

**WHEREAS**, BGS has agreed to develop an operating plan which will address Fire Bureau service needs and provide at least the same vehicle availability to the Fire Bureau that they currently have, consistent with the high quality service given to the rest of the City's fleet, and

**WHEREAS**, savings from this consolidation will be used for staffing of new fire stations approved in the recent G O Bond, and

**WHEREAS**, the City recognizes its obligations to notify the affected labor organizations of this anticipated reorganization, and to bargain in good faith issues that the unions might bring forward, and will comply with applicable DCTU contract provisions and fulfill all bargaining obligations under the State Public Employees Collective Bargain Act, and

**WHEREAS**, the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers (DCTU) and the Portland Firefighters' Union were appropriately notified of this anticipated reorganization on December 1, 1998, and

**WHEREAS**, it is prudent to have a financial team, led by the City Auditor, review the current costs of the Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance section and related staff of BFRES and certify that significant savings can be realized through consolidation,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Council directs a financial team be established, led by the Auditor, and assisted by personnel from the Office of Finance and Administration, BGS, and BFRES to establish the current costs of the BFRES Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance operation and certify that significant savings can be realized through consolidation. This report should be completed by March 15, 1999, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Council will consolidate the BFRES Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance section with the rest of the City fleet upon favorable review of the Auditor's report confirming that significant savings will occur from combining the operations, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that upon Council's acceptance of the Auditor's report, appropriate ordinances will be prepared to abolish or transfer positions and amend the City Code to effect the consolidation, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that concurrent with the financial analysis, bargaining of labor issues, if any, will take place, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that after bargaining has concluded and labor issues are resolved and Council consolidates the operations through the passage of Code amendments, work will proceed in completing the operational plan for the maintenance of BFRES vehicles and equipment by BGS

Commissioner Gretchen Miller Kafoury  
Commissioner Jim Francesconi  
David O. Kish G. Khater  
December 16, 1998

Adopted by the Council

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BARBARA CLARK  
Auditor of the City of Portland

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| City Attorney                                       | Hales              | Hales                          | ✓    |
| City Auditor  | Kafoury            | Kafoury                        | ✓    |
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