

RESOLUTION NO. 1541

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FIFE, PIERCE COUNTY, WASHINGTON SPECIFYING THE CITY OF FIFE POLICY REGARDING CITY MEMBERSHIP IN CIVIC OR SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

WHEREAS, it is important for the City of Fife to establish a clear policy regarding the conditions under which it will consider joining a civic or service organization; and

WHEREAS, RCW 42.17A, RCW 35A, and Washington State Constitution contain limitations on what activities a City is allowed to engage in and on what a City can spend public funds; and

WHEREAS, in addition to abiding by the legal restrictions contained in Washington law, the City is also committed to abiding by its Mission Statement and the standards of the community; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Fife may consider funding a membership in a local civic or service organization if such a membership meets the following criteria:

1. Membership serves a valid municipal purpose which the City is authorized to engage in itself should it be desired;
2. The organization is not engaged in lobbying activities within the state of Washington, unless that organization is officially authorized by the City of Fife to lobby on its behalf; and
3. The goals and actions of the organization are in harmony with the City of Fife current policies and in harmony with the City's Mission Statement and community standards.

If the above criteria are met, the City will then consider the following factors in deciding whether or not to join the organization:

1. The amount of benefit the City would derive from membership and participation in the Organization;
2. The amount of time required of the City to be an active participant in the organization; and
3. The total cost to the City for such a membership.

ADOPTED by the City Council at an open public meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2013.



Robert D. Cerqui, Mayor

Attest:



Carol Etgen, City Clerk