

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017-015**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BINGEN  
DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY  
DUE TO FAILURE OF THE WATER SCADA SYSTEM**

**WHEREAS**, on August 22, 2017, the City of Bingen Public Works Department was notified that the “old reservoir” was overflowing and that damage may have occurred to the top of the reservoir. The Public Works Department investigated and learned there had been a communications failure of the SCADA system causing all of the city’s water sources to pour into the reservoir causing it to overflow. The overflow pipe could not keep up with the flow of water coming into the reservoir resulting in damage to the top of the reservoir. The Public Works Department does not have the capability to repair or replace the SCADA system.

**WHEREAS**, the continued failure of the SCADA system could result in the complete failure of the city’s old reservoir; and

**WHEREAS**, the failure of the city’s old reservoir would result in a lack of water to the city’s water system and could cause catastrophic damage to the State Highway 141 and property located below the reservoir; and

**WHEREAS**, there is an emergency present, which necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted to the City;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGEN, WASHINGTON DO RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** There is hereby declared an emergency as defined by RCW 39.04.280(3) due to the unforeseen nature of the condition and the immediate risk to damage property and endanger health.

**Section 2.** Pursuant to the emergency declared in Section 1, the City Administrator and working with the Public Works Superintendent is authorized to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to address such emergency with approval of the Mayor. Emergency measures may include entering into a contract for engineering and professional services, and purchasing necessary replacement equipment necessary to abate the emergency.

**Section 3.** The declaration of the local emergency set forth in Section 1 shall terminate when in the Mayor's judgment the emergency measures contained herein are no longer required to safeguard property and public health.

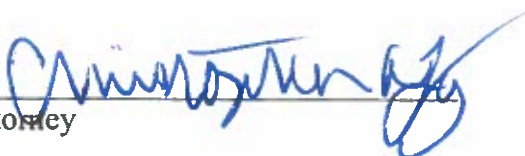
ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Bingen, Washington, and APPROVED by its Mayor, at a regularly scheduled open public meeting thereof this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

  
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Mayor

Attest:

  
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City Clerk – Treasurer

Approved as to Form:

  
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Attorney