



Bellingham Fire Department

LETTER OF AGREEMENT

Between

City Of Bellingham

IAFF 106

Automatic Aid with North Whatcom Fire & Rescue

- I. **PURPOSE:** This letter of agreement memorializes agreement between the City of Bellingham and IAFF Local 106 regarding the implementation of auto aid with North Whatcom Fire and Rescue.
- II. **SCOPE:** This agreement applies to personnel assigned to the operations division.
- III. **AGREEMENT:**

WHEAREAS, IAFF 106 and the City of Bellingham have a mutual interest in providing high quality fire and EMS services to the citizens; and

WHEARAS, IAFF 106 and the City of Bellingham recognize the value in having the closest fire and EMS personnel respond to emergencies regardless of the jurisdiction;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree that:

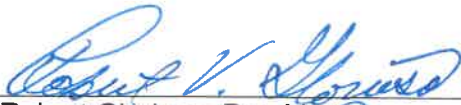
- Structure fire responses in either agencies areas will use the minimum staffing numbers in NFPA 1710 as the basis for determining first alarm run cards.
- Both agencies will maintain companies at a like for like staffing level (minimum 3 on a fire company).
- In North Whatcom areas where the station orders indicate a primarily Bellingham response to structure fires, the Bellingham Battalion Chief will automatically be added in addition to the North Whatcom Battalion Chief.
- IAFF 106 and the City of Bellingham will meet approximately every 6 months to review compliance with this agreement.
- To ensure proper EMS and Fire service delivery in the areas affected by the auto-aid agreement, both agencies will engage in reciprocal objective-based training with each other to share their respective knowledge and skills in specialized responses, best practices, and unique equipment.

The parties agree that this agreement satisfies the impacts to both L106 and L106S employees for this operational change.

This agreement is made cooperatively between The City of Bellingham and IAFF L106.

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DATED this 9TH day of JANUARY, ²⁰²⁰~~2019~~ for IAFF Local 106:


Robert Glorioso, President


Dave Pethick, Vice President

DATED this 9TH day of JANUARY, 2020 for the CITY OF BELLINGHAM:


Bill Hewett, Fire Chief