## CITY OF FIRCREST 1 **RESOLUTION NO. 1759** 2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE 3 CITY OF FIRCREST, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL 4 SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH FORTERRA FOR GRANT AND PROPERTY ACQUISITION SERVICES. 5 WHEREAS, the City of Fircrest is interested in pursuing land acquisition grant funds to aid 6 the City in the potential purchase of approximately thirty-two acres of land near the Tacoma 7 Storm Basin known as the Bourgaize Property; and 8 WHEREAS, this property has proved historically difficult to develop and may be better utilized primarily as permanent open space; and 10 WHEREAS, Forterra, a nonprofit land trust organization, has the required experience and expertise to provide grant and property acquisition services to aid the City in exploring the 11 purchase of this property, obtaining land acquisition and conservation grant funds, and guiding the City through the acquisition process; and 12 WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City to 13 establish this agreement with Forterra in pursuit of land acquisition grant funds and potentially 14 purchasing the Bourgaize Property. 15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY **OF FIRCREST:** 16 17 Section 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute the professional services agreement, attached hereto and made hereby made a part hereof, with Forterra for 18 grant and property acquisition services. 19 **Section 2.** This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption. 20 APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF 21 **FIRCREST, WASHINGTON,** at a regular meeting thereof this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2022. 22 23 24 25 Brett L. Wittner, Mayor 26 ATTEST: 27 28 Westman, City Clerk 29

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