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**CITY OF FIRCREST
RESOLUTION NO. 2013**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
FIRCREST, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE CITY
MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
AGREEMENT WITH SOUND DEFENDERS, PLLC FOR PUBLIC
DEFENDER SERVICES.**

WHEREAS, the Sixth Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article I, Section 22 of the Washington State Constitution grant all criminal defendants the right to legal counsel; and

WHEREAS, State law, including RCW 10.101.005, requires local governments to provide competent legal representation to criminal defendants who are determined to be indigent; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fircrest is responsible for contracting for public defense services for indigent defendants appearing in the Fircrest and Ruston Municipal Court; and

WHEREAS, the City issued a Request for Proposals seeking qualified firms to provide public defender services; and

WHEREAS, after evaluation of the proposals, the City has determined that Sound Defenders, PLLC, best meets the City's needs for public defender services; and


WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Sound Defenders, PLLC, for the provision of public defender services for the Fircrest and Ruston Municipal Court;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF FIRCREST:**

Section 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Sound Defenders, PLLC, for public defender services.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
FIRCREST, WASHINGTON**, at a regular meeting thereof this 13th day of January 2026.

APPROVED:

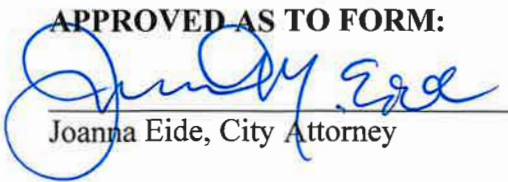


Mayor

ATTEST:


Arlette Burkhardt, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Joanna Eide, City Attorney