RESOLUTION NO. 44-2026

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FIRE CHIEF OR THE FIRE CHIEF'S DESIGNEE TO ORGANIZE AND ADMINISTER A JOINT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES UNDER SENATE BILL 215; AUTHORIZING LIMITED PARTICIPATION AGREEMENTS AND PROCUREMENT EVALUATION; PRESERVING LOCAL PROVIDER SELECTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

SECTION 1. RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Weber Fire District (the "District") is a local district created as a service area, a body politic and political subdivision of the State of Utah, that provides fire protection and emergency services within its jurisdiction; and,

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 215, enacted in 2025, amended Utah Code Section 11-48-103 to require municipal and county review of emergency medical service providers, evaluation of cost, quality, and access goals, and a formal request for proposals to evaluate qualified alternatives; and,

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services ("BEMS") has requested that the District coordinate its license renewal with the proposed December 2026 Roy City and Riverdale City annexations rather than its otherwise scheduled March 2027 renewal; and,

WHEREAS, a coordinated solicitation can reduce duplication among participating cities and Weber County while preserving each governing body's responsibilities and final provider selection under applicable law; and,

WHEREAS, Utah Code Sections 63G-6a-2104 and 63G-6a-2105 provide for cooperative procurement where applicable, subject to lawful participant authorization, agreements, and procurement procedures; and,

WHEREAS, the Board desires to authorize timely administrative action, fair evaluation, and submission of complete renewal records while preserving required legal approvals, public review, and BEMS licensing authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES THAT:

SECTION 2. The foregoing recitals are fully incorporated herein.

SECTION 3. AUTHORIZATION OF THE FIRE CHIEF

The Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designee is authorized and directed to organize and administer a joint request for proposals ("RFP") for the emergency medical services required to support compliance with Utah Code Section 11-48-103 and the District's BEMS renewal. The process may include participating cities and Weber County within the District's current and proposed service area, including Roy City and Riverdale City. Covered 911 ambulance, paramedic, ground

interfacility transport, service levels, and geographic areas shall be identified separately as applicable. Participation remains subject to lawful authorization by each jurisdiction.

SECTION 4. PARTICIPATION AGREEMENTS AND LEGAL REVIEW

The Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designee may negotiate and execute, on behalf of the District, limited cooperative procurement or interlocal participation agreements reviewed and approved as to form and legality by District legal counsel. The agreements shall define administrative responsibilities, applicable procurement procedures, participant rights, costs, records, duration, and withdrawal, while preserving local provider-selection authority. Before publication, staff shall obtain each participant's required approval and document its authorized signatory and service territory.

This delegation does not authorize a service award, transfer of District assets, revenue sharing, new debt, or an expenditure beyond the existing approved budget. An agreement requiring additional Board approval by law or creating obligations outside this delegation shall return to the Board before execution. District counsel shall confirm the lawful lead procurement authority and the effect of early renewal on applicable public-review dates.

SECTION 5. SOLICITATION AND PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATION

The Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designee may designate a legally authorized procurement officer, prepare solicitation documents with participating jurisdictions, publish required notices, administer questions and addenda, receive proposals, and maintain the procurement record. The RFP shall identify the authorized participants, covered services and territories, cooperative nature of the process, proposal requirements, published evaluation criteria and weights, and applicable award and protest procedures.

The procurement shall comply with applicable Utah law and District and participant procedures, including Utah Code Section 63G-6a-112 where applicable. Required notice periods shall not be shortened merely because the District's renewal schedule is accelerated. A different authorized public procurement lead may be used through counsel-approved participation arrangements if needed for lawful administration.

SECTION 6. EVALUATION COMMITTEE AND RECOMMENDATION

The Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designee is authorized to establish or coordinate a qualified evaluation committee to the extent permitted by applicable appointment authority and participation agreements. Where Utah Code Section 63G-6a-707 applies, the committee shall consist of at least three qualified members, evaluate responsive proposals from responsible offerors using only the published criteria, and prepare a documented recommendation. Evaluator eligibility, conflicts, offeror communications, cost-information procedures, and confidentiality shall comply with applicable requirements.

The District may submit a proposal to continue providing services. Counsel shall review the procurement and evaluation structure for fair consideration of all qualified public and private

providers. Personnel preparing or advocating the District's proposal shall not score competing proposals. Committee evaluation and scoring may occur in private as permitted by law. Any applicable open-meeting or closed-meeting requirements remain controlling; this authorization does not require public repetition of proposal scoring.

SECTION 7. LOCAL PUBLIC REVIEW AND PROVIDER SELECTION

The Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designee may present the procurement results and committee recommendation directly to each participating city governing body and the County Commission without a further District Board vote approving transmission of the recommendation. Each governing body retains its formal public-review and provider-selection responsibilities under Utah Code Section 11-48-103, including consideration of cost, quality, and access goals within the legally applicable review window.

Staff may coordinate November 2026 agenda dates and prepare proposed selection letters, goals documentation, and supporting records. The public presentation shall explain the procurement results and recommendation; it need not repeat committee scoring or disclose information protected by law. Each jurisdiction shall make and record its own selection and authorize its proper official to sign the resulting documents. A committee recommendation or District action under this Resolution does not substitute for that local action.

SECTION 8. BEMS RENEWAL AND SERVICE CONTINUITY

The Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designee may coordinate with BEMS, confirm application scope and dates, assemble local selections and goals, submit renewal applications and authorized boundary requests, and address application deficiencies. Staff shall coordinate operational readiness and required backup interfacility transport documentation. This Resolution does not transfer an incumbent provider's license, extinguish existing interfacility transport rights, or authorize service beyond the District's issued licenses. Any resulting service contract, award, or participating addendum requires separate approval as required by law and District policy.

SECTION 9. FUNDING AND BOARD REPORTING

Administrative work authorized by this Resolution shall use existing personnel and lawfully available appropriations. Outside professional services remain subject to existing procurement and budget authority. No new appropriation, tax increase, service contract, or guarantee of provider selection is approved. The Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designee shall report material progress, legal or licensing issues, and actions requiring further approval to the Board. Required procurement records and local action records shall be retained in accordance with applicable law.

SECTION 10. REPEALER OF CONFLICTING ENACTMENTS

All orders, resolutions, rules, and procedures previously adopted by the District are repealed only to the extent they conflict with this Resolution. This repeal shall not revive any enactment previously repealed or displace requirements imposed by law.

SECTION 11. PRIOR RESOLUTIONS

All prior District resolutions remain in effect except to the extent expressly modified by this Resolution.

SECTION 12. SAVINGS CLAUSE

If any provision of this Resolution is held invalid, inoperative, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain in effect to the fullest extent permitted by law, each provision being deemed a separate and severable act of the Board of Trustees.

SECTION 13. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage and after publication or posting as required by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WEBER FIRE DISTRICT, STATE OF UTAH, on this 13th day of October, 2026.

WEBER FIRE DISTRICT
Board of Trustees

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Kevin Ward, Board Chair

ATTEST:

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Jolene Whipple, Interim District Clerk