

ORDINANCE NO. 10671

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO BIDDING, AMENDING SECTION 4.80.010 OF THE BELLINGHAM MUNICIPAL CODE FOR PURCHASES OF UNDERCOVER POLICE VEHICLES.

WHEREAS, public bidding is required for purchases of supplies, material, or equipment if the cost thereof exceeds \$5,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department Special Investigations Unit (SIU) from time to time needs to acquire used vehicles for undercover investigations; and

WHEREAS, officer safety and effective police work require that acquisition and disposal of such vehicles be confidential; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to provide an exception to usual procedures for acquisition and disposal of SIU vehicles, under the conditions set forth herein,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM DOES ORDAIN as follows:

Section 1: Bellingham Municipal Code section 4.80.010(A) is amended to read as follows:

4.80.010 Bidding Requirements

A. Any purchase of supplies, material, or equipment, except for public work or improvement, where the cost thereof exceeds \$5,000 shall be made upon call for bids; provided, that used vehicles may be purchased for the Police Special Investigations Unit without the necessity of public bidding if the cost of any vehicle does not exceed \$10,000.

Section 2: Bellingham Municipal Code section 4.86.090 is amended to read as follows:

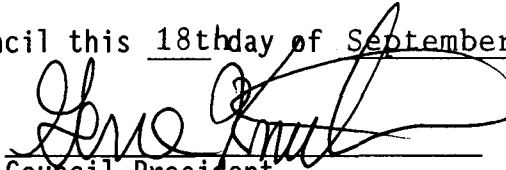
4.86.090 Statutory Exceptions

Certain City ordinances and provisions of the Revised Code of Washington impose special conditions for the disposition of municipal property. Where necessary, city officials shall comply with those laws, treating them as limited exceptions to this chapter. Exceptions include, but are not limited to, the following as they may from time to time be amended:

[A. through I., unchanged.]

J. Used vehicles operated by the Police Special Investigations Unit may be disposed of, regardless of value, by such method as is approved by the purchasing manger and without Council notification.

PASSED by the Council this 18th day of September, 1995.

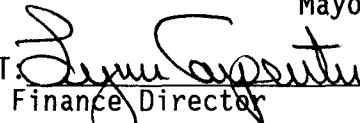


Council President

APPROVED by me this 25th day of SEPTEMBER, 1995.



Mayor

ATTEST: 

Finance Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Office of the City Attorney

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