



Cities Insurance Association of Washington

CITIES INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON RESOLUTION 09-10-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITIES INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON APPROVING ASSESSMENTS.

WHEREAS, the Cities Insurance Association of Washington (CIAW) was created in 1988 because cities, towns and other local governments in the state of Washington were experiencing a trend of vastly increased insurance premiums for the renewal of identical insurance policies, fewer insurance carriers were willing to provide cities, towns and local governments with insurance coverage, and some cities, towns and local governments were unable to obtain desired insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, RCW 48.62.031 allows jointly purchasing of insurance or reinsurance; and

WHEREAS, cities, special districts, and towns of the state of Washington joined together with other cities, special districts, and towns for the purpose of pooling self-insured losses for property and liability claims arising from negligent or other tortuous conduct, or errors or omissions, of their officials, employees and volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the board has always acted in a fiscally conservative and prudent manner without collecting excessive funds to languish in the program's reserve account, thus leaving tax revenues in the hands of local governments to pay for local government services; and

WHEREAS, RCW 48.62.141 requires every joint self-insurance program covering property and liability risks to provide for the contingent liability of participants in the program if assets of the program are insufficient to cover the program's liabilities; and

WHEREAS, members have signed an interlocal agreement that under section 3.11 allows the CIAW to reassess their regular members; and

WHEREAS, based upon historical spending patterns, the CIAW from its inception (without exception) has been able to pay all claims promptly when due and owing and is confident that the cash flow can meet current needs for paying claims and operation expenses; and

WHEREAS, the program under funded the estimated claims in policy years beginning in 2002/2003; and

WHEREAS, the board has hired an actuary to determine the funding necessary to pay for claims liability and has funded it to that level; and

WHEREAS, the CIAW for the current year of 2009/2010 has overfunded its current stop loss; and

WHEREAS, the additional funding to be collected during the next five (5) years will ensure compliance with the requirement to fund to the 70% confidence level as determined by our actuary as well as cover any contingency; and

WHEREAS, additionally the CIAW will notify the state of any significant changes in operation; and

WHEREAS, the state of Washington, per the newly adopted rules, has ordered the CIAW to submit a plan addressing this issue;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Cities Insurance Association of Washington as follows:

- 1) The Board approves assessments in the estimated amount of \$ 986,214 to cover actual or projected shortfalls during the policy years from 2002/03 to 2006/07;
- 2) These assessments will confirm that the CIAW is operating in a safe and sound financial condition;
- 3) These estimated assessments will apply to all regular members that participated in the CIAW self-insured retention (SIR) during those five policy years;
- 4) The Board will review the surcharges annually and may amend or modify them by resolution;
- 5) The Board directs it's third-party administrator to allocate and collect these surcharges as outlined in this resolution;
- 6) See attached Exhibit A for Plan details.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITIES INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON THIS 22ND DAY OF FEBRUARY 2010.



Wes Crago, Chairman

EXHIBIT A

CIAW FUNDING PLAN:

- 1) To be invoiced beginning in August of 2010, the CIAW will collect an additional \$ 197,242.80 over its current year's anticipated expenses and claims funding requirements. This additional funding will continue for five (5) years until fully collected.
- 2) To collect additional funding, we will use a combination of members' rates, reviewing excess insurance coverage and limits offered, negotiating the third-party administrator's fees, and providing services in a more cost-effective manner.
- 3) Our progress towards our funding goals will be reviewed annually during the budget process and any adjustments necessary will be added or subtracted from the years remaining in the five (5) years of the plan, including federal tax liabilities, if any are determined, upon approval of the office of Financial Management (OFM).
- 4) The State Risk Manager will be updated each year on the progress of this plan, including the amount invoiced, through the annual report.
- 5) Since this is a dynamic process with factors such as actuary projections, actual claims paid, excess insurance costs and operational cost adjustments each member will be notified prior to invoicing of how much their invoice is of the total premium.