

RESOLUTION NO. 2452

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELAH,  
WASHINGTON, ADOPTING PUBLIC DEFENSE STANDARDS AND REQUESTING THE  
MAYOR TO PROVIDE UPDATES TO THE CITY COUNCIL REGARDING ANY FUTURE  
CHANGES IN THE ADOPTED STANDARDS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ANNUAL  
BUDGET REPORT

WHEREAS, Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 10.101.030 requires cities to adopt standards for the delivery of public defense services; and

WHEREAS, the statute provides that the standards endorsed by the Washington State Bar Association for the provision of public defense services “should serve as guidelines” to the City Council in adopting standards; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Robert S. Lasnik of the Federal District Court for Western Washington in his decision in Wilbur v. Mt. Vernon, et al provides guidance to cities regarding the provision of indigent defense services in the funding and evaluation of such services; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Supreme Court has adopted Standards for Indigent Defense more specifically, Standard 3 regarding case load limits; now, therefore,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELAH, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City of Selah hereby adopts as its standards for the delivery of public defense services the following resources by reference, as the same exist or may hereafter be amended:

1.1 Public Defense Services shall be provided to all clients in a professional, skilled manner consistent with the Standards set forth by the Washington State Bar Association and Standards for Indigent Defense Services (June 3, 2011); and

1.2 The Washington State Rules of Professional Conduct; and

1.3 The decision of the Honorable Robert S. Lasnik, Western District of Washington, in Wilbur, et al v. Mt. Vernon, et al, Case No. 2:11-cv-01100.

Section 2. Nondiscrimination. The Public Defender shall comply with all federal, state and local non-discrimination laws or ordinances in the provision of services to indigent defendants as well as with respect to the hiring and employment practices of its employees.

Section 3. The City Council recognizes that by adopting these Standards by reference, it is important that changes be reviewed on a regular basis, at least annually. Accordingly, the City Council requests the Mayor and staff provide a report to the City Council in conjunction with the annual budget process so that it may evaluate the need to update these Standards.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SELAH,  
WASHINGTON this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015.



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John Gawlik, Mayor

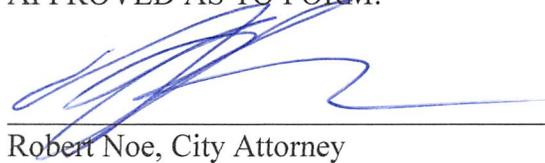
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Dale E. Novobielski, Clerk Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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Robert Noe, City Attorney

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