

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-03

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SOUTH
SOUND 911 PUBLIC AUTHORITY, ADOPTING AN ORDER
DISPENSING WITH THE RECORDS INDEX IDENTIFIED IN RCW
42.56.070**

WHEREAS, South Sound 911 (“SS911”) is a duly organized local agency subject to the Washington State Public Records Act – Chapter 42.56 RCW; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Legislature adopted RCW 42.56.070, which requires local agencies to maintain and make available for public review and copying a current index providing identifying information as to certain records; and

WHEREAS, a local agency need not maintain such an index if to do so would be unduly burdensome; and

WHEREAS, maintenance of the index contemplated by RCW 42.56.070 would be unduly burdensome and/or would interfere with SS911’s operations for the following reasons:

- i. Maintaining a comprehensive index of records would present significant burdens for SS911, particularly due to limited financial and staffing resources. SS911 lacks the budget needed to invest in specialized indexing software, ongoing data storage, and the training or hiring of staff to manage such a system. With limited personnel already focused on core functions—such as maintaining SS911 facilities, and ensuring public safety—redirecting staff to index maintenance could compromise service delivery and delay essential operations.
- ii. Furthermore, the nature and volume of SS911’s records—ranging from dispatcher communications to contracts—does not lend itself well to traditional indexing systems. New records are constantly being created. Attempting to organize such varied formats of e-mails, dispatch records, CAD, police and fire reports, and other records into a rigid index could create more confusion than clarity. Technological limitations add another layer of difficulty, as SS911 does not have the IT infrastructure or in-house expertise to implement and sustain an effective, modern indexing solution. Overall, SS911 would be better served by focusing its limited resources on fulfilling its primary mission rather than maintaining a potentially underutilized and costly index.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF SOUTH SOUND 911 DOES HEREBY ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:**

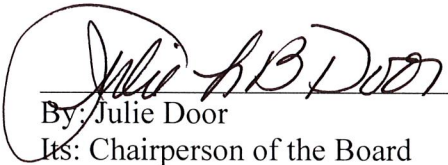
Section 1 - Findings: SS911 elects not to maintain the index referenced in RCW 42.56.070 for the reasons specified in the above recitals and adopts the above recitals as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2 - Order: It is hereby ORDERED that SS911 shall dispense with a records index for the reasons set forth in the above recitals and adopted by reference in Section 1 of this Resolution and as contemplated by RCW 42.56.070 as currently adopted and hereafter amended.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of South Sound 911 at an open public meeting, Pierce County, Washington.

DATED and SIGNED this 17 day of September, 2025.

SOUTH SOUND 911


By: Julie Door
Its: Chairperson of the Board

ATTEST:


Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


General Counsel