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**RESOLUTION NO. 1088**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THROUGH HIS DELEGATION TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR TO SETTLE, LITIGATION OR ASSIGN TO A COLLECTION AGENCY ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE INCURRED BY THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS SUBJECT TO CERTAIN LIMITATIONS.

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WHEREAS, RCW 35A.12.100 authorizes the Mayor to "...cause any legal proceedings to be instituted and prosecuted in the name of the City, subject to approval by a majority vote of all members of the City Council;”, and,

WHEREAS, on a daily basis, debts are incurred by citizens of the City to the City for everything from copying charges to utility bills, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor through his staff negotiates and attempts to compromise claims as a normal part of the day to day business of the City, and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes it to be in the public interest to authorize the Mayor subject to certain limitations to settle and compromise accounts receivable, institute legal proceedings or refer them to collection by an agency, thereby authorizing such agency to institute suit, and

WHEREAS, state statute specifically authorizes the use of collection agencies and the addition of the costs of collection to a debt owed to a public agency, now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON,  
HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Mayor through his delegee, the Administrative Services Director, is hereby authorized to attempt to collect accounts receivable, to institute suit as necessary and/or to refer such accounts receivable to a collection agency, provided, however, that this authority extends only to accounts receivable under \$10,000. The authorization provided by that resolution is the authorization required pursuant to RCW 35A.12.100 with respect to said accounts receivable. The Mayor's authority to enforce the ordinances of the City and compromise fines incurred is not limited by this action.

RESOLVED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2005.

APPROVED:

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MAYOR, GARY HAAKENSON

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

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CITY CLERK, SANDRA S. CHASE

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: 03/11/2005  
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: 03/15/2005  
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