

## BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL YAKIMA, WASHINGTON AGENDA STATEMENT

Item No. 10.D. For Meeting of: January 6, 2026

ITEM TITLE: Station 92: Operations Decisions, Constraints and Path Forward

**SUBMITTED BY:** Aaron Markham, Yakima Fire Chief

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## **SUMMARY EXPLANATION:**

This is an update on the City's efforts to keep Station 92 open and cut roughly \$3.8M from the Fire Department Budget in 2026. The \$3.8M figure includes the loss of nearly \$2M in revenue from the Union Gap contract, along with the \$1.75M reduction in the 2026 adopted budget. Council will receive an update on the financial constraints and operational challenges associated with the Fire Department's budget cuts.

The adopted budget cuts are achieved by a station closure to reduce overtime and redeploy staff. Station 92 was selected for closure due to its lowest call volume and other factors that minimize city-wide service impact.

**ITEM BUDGETED:** N/A

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**RECOMMENDATION:** A range of decisions for Council are provided on page 11 of the attached presentation.

**ATTACHMENTS:** 

Station 92 Presentation.pdf