TOWN OF ROSS

RESOLUTION NO. 2542

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ROSS ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF A REPORT PURSUANT TO ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 9212 TO EVALUATE THE "FRIENDS OF ROSS FIREHOUSE" INITIATIVE, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS WITH CONSULTANTS, AND APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL FUNDS

WHEREAS, Pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9212, the Town Council may order the preparation of a report regarding the impacts of a proposed initiative; and

WHEREAS, The "Friends of Ross Firehouse" initiative seeks to require the Town of Ross to maintain an operational fire station within Town limits and to prioritize use of the firehouse located at 33 Sir Francis Drake Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, The Town Council finds it prudent and in the best interests of the community to evaluate the fiscal, land use, and service-level impacts of the initiative; and

WHEREAS, The Town requires the services of RSG, Inc., Citygate Associates, Mary McGrath Architects and other necessary consultants to provide specialized fiscal, operational, and facilities expertise in preparing the Elections Code Section 9212 report; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient funding has not been appropriated in the current budget to cover these costs, and an additional appropriation is necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ROSS DOES HEREBY FIND, RESOLVE, AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. Orders the preparation of a report pursuant to Elections Code Section 9212 to evaluate the potential impacts of the "Friends of Ross Firehouse" initiative;
- 2. Authorizes the Town Manager to negotiate and execute agreements with RSG, Inc., Citygate Associates, and Mary McGrath Architects, and other necessary consultants, in an amount not to exceed the approved appropriation; and
- 3. Appropriates an additional \$85,000 to fund consultant costs and related expenses necessary for the preparation of the report.

The foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the Ross Town Council at its special open meeting held on the $6^{\rm th}$ day of October 2025 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers McMillan, Dowling, Kircher

NOES: Councilmembers Robbins, Salter

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST:

Cyndie Martel, Town dlerk

Julie McMillan, Mayor