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From: Elizabeth Brown <taft100@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, July 1, 2025 12:06 PM
To: CouncilAll
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Opposition to the Fire Engine Sale

Dear Ross Town Council, I am writing as a concerned resident to respectfully urge you not to sell the Ross fire engine at the upcoming July 10th meeting. The decision to sell the engine now—while a ballot initiative is actively underway to restore and preserve our local firehouse—feels premature and deeply concerning. The community has shown strong momentum and financial support for keeping our fire station, raising over \$50,000 so far. We deserve the chance to let the voters decide the future of our fire services. Selling the fire engine before this process plays out would undermine community trust and preempt the democratic process. It is entirely reasonable—and responsible—for the Town to retain the fire engine until residents have voted on the firehouse's future. I urge you to delay any decision on the engine's sale until after the results of the ballot initiative are known. Please listen to the community and give us the opportunity to be heard. Who says the engine must be sold? This seems an act of desperation. Cutting off our right hand to free up your left is not smart. With fire season upon us, we can do better than this crazy idea! Let our voters have a chance and a say. Make this idea more public by announcing it over the 4th, we are in perilous and politically controversial times. Publicize this sad idea at the town picnic, maximize the coverage to maximize the donations,

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