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FILE NO. 100757

Offer OF

Ivar Haglund

To present 5 gallons of red paint to repaint stack on Fireboat Alki.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Mr. President:

You..... Public Safety..... Committee

to which was referred the within offer.....

would respectfully report that we have considered the same and respectfully recommend that.....

the same be placed on file.....

Morton
CHAIRMAN

CHAIRMAN

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April 23, 1946

Mr. Ivar Haglund
Pier 54
Seattle 4, Washington

Dear Sir:

Your communication of April 5, in regard to presenting the city with five gallons of red paint for use on the Fireboat Alki, was before the Public Safety Committee at its meeting this morning.

This matter will be before the Committee again at its meeting next Tuesday, April 30, at 10:00 a.m., at which time the Chief of the Fire Department has been asked to be present. The Committee would appreciate your attending the meeting and taking part in the discussion of your offer to donate the paint to the City.

Very truly yours,

Wm. L. Norton, Chairman
Public Safety Committee

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WILLIAM F. DEVIN, MAYOR

WILLIAM FITZGERALD, CHIEF

THE CITY OF SEATTLE

OFFICE OF
CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

IN RE File No. 198557

April 17, 1946

Mr. Wm. L. Norton, Chairman
Public Safety Committee
Seattle City Council
County-City Building
Seattle, Washington

Dear Sir:

The Fireboat Alki is a work boat, a fire fighting unit. The stack is painted primarily for utilitarian reasons, to conserve the metal from rust and corrosion; secondarily, for esthetic reasons, appearance.

At the present time the vessel is in a good state of repair and presents an appearance that should not jar the esthetic senses of anyone.

However, when more paint is indicated on the stack, this Department will duly consider Mr. Haglund's ideas as to appearance, using our own paint.

We are duly thankful for his vote in civic matters and offer assurances of our desire to accord him every consideration. The file is returned herewith.

Yours truly

Wm Fitzgerald
Chief of Fire Department

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April 8, 1946

Hon. Wm. Fitzgerald
Chief of Fire Department
City of Seattle

Dear Sir:

I am forwarding herewith File No. 188557, being offer of Ivar Haglund to present five gallons of red paint to repaint stack on Fireboat Alki, with the request that you return same, together with your report and recommendation in duplicate.

Yours very truly,

Wm. L. Norton, Chairman
Public Safety Committee

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Ivar Haglund

PIER 54
SEATTLE 4, WASH.

April 5, 1946

City Council of Seattle,
Seattle, Washington

Gentlemen:

With your permission I would like to present the Honorable City Council of Seattle with 5 gallons of red stack and funnel paint, the finest quality, as a gift to the Seattle Fire Department Crew on the Fireboat Alki at the foot of Madison Street on Alaskan Way.

The Fireboat Alki is one of the finest fireboats in the world, and the crew are all fine men. But the stack of the Alki is still that dull, dirty grey, when it should be a bright red. During the war all the fire apparatus was painted red and kept that color, but for some reason the fireboats were covered with that dingy grey. It is time the good ship Alki was artistically reconverted.

As all good citizens should, I voted in the last city election, and I voted for the measures giving the firemen and policemen a raise. They deserved it, and to show my further appreciation and personal regard for members of the fireboat Alki comes the gift of 5 gallons of Red Stack and Funnel Paint.

For some time I have been planning to invite the Honorable City Council to come to the opening of my new place in May, where the finest and freshest piscatorial delicacies from Puget Sound will be featured. But I hesitate to invite you when while eating chowder from clam, cocktail from the shrimp and louie from the crab you would have to gaze out the spacious windows at that drab grey fireboat Alki. Thousands of local citizens and visitors thrill at our wonderful waterfront which is rapidly being reconverted, painted and improved to the point of real polished charm.

In view of the fact that the elections are over, it is clear there is nothing political in this offer; it is clearly in the realm of the artistic, which the Honorable City Council should understand - especially in having the funnel of the Fireboat Alki reconverted and repainted to its glamorous pre-war red.

It is with humble pride in our waterfront that this offer is made, and if the boys need a brush, I'd be happy to loan them one.

Yours very truly,

Ivar Haglund

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