### STATE OF WASHINGTON

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

In the matter of the petition of:

CASE 142941-E-25

**TEAMSTERS LOCAL 589** 

**DECISION 14112 - PECB** 

Involving certain employees of:

INTERIM CERTIFICATION by Card Check

CITY OF BREMERTON

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## **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. Teamsters Local 589 filed a representation petition concerning employees of the City of Bremerton. The Public Employment Relations Commission (PERC) determined the petition was timely filed and accompanied by a sufficient showing of interest. No other organization claimed to represent the employees involved.
- 2. The bargaining unit is described as follows:

All full-time and regular part-time police officers above the rank of sergeant, excluding the Chief of Police, Deputy Chiefs of Police, confidential employees, and all other employees.

- 3. PERC conducted an investigation conference where the parties disagreed about the eligibility of certain employees to be included in the bargaining unit. PERC determined that the eligibility issues would be resolved following the card check.
- 4. Because the more than 50 percent showing of interest threshold was met, PERC conducted card check proceedings. The employees were given a free choice in the proceedings. The tally of results was provided to the parties and the eligibility issues do not affect the outcome of the card check. No meritorious election objections were filed.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. The unit described in finding of fact 2 is an appropriate unit within the meaning of RCW 41.56.060.
- 2. Representation proceedings were conducted in accordance with RCW 41.56.095 and chapter 391-25 WAC.

## **CERTIFICATION**

1. City of Bremerton employees in the bargaining unit described in finding of fact 2 have chosen

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as their representative for the purpose of collective bargaining with their employer.

2. This case is remanded for further proceedings on the eligibility issues described in finding of fact 3.

ISSUED at Olympia, Washington, this 21st day of May, 2025.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

MICHAEL P SELLARS, Executive Director



# RECORD OF SERVICE

# **ISSUED ON 5/21/2025**

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