

KITTITAS COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners

AGENDA STAFF REPORT

AGENDA DATE: May 6, 2014

ACTION REQUESTED: Assign for Evaluation of Equipment and Payment of Adjusted Claim (#201403050006)

BACKGROUND: On February 13, 2014, Claimant JP Ultimate Entertainment, by and through Jose Perez and Vicki Holleman, was provided an electrical board by County Event's Center/Maintenance Dept. staff for the Spirit of the West event at the Fairgrounds. Claimant used the electrical board to provide power to DJ equipment for the event. Upon later inspection and testing by County personnel, it appears that the electrical board was improperly set up, with certain wiring switched in the electrical board causing the 120volt plugs of the electrical board to output at 220 volts. As a result of this increased voltage from the County-provided electrical board, significant damage was done to Claimant's equipment.

INTERACTION: JP Ultimate Entertainment filed a claim against the County alleging a total amount of \$5,706.31 in damages. The Prosecutor's Office requested input from the Event's Center, who recommends approving the claim following adjustment of the claimed damage amount. The Prosecutor's Office concurs with this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION: It appears that the County is responsible for the damage to JP Ultimate Entertainment's equipment and so should reimburse them for the damage we caused. However, the equipment and stated amount of damages should be reviewed by an adjuster to ensure that any payment of claim represents the actual cash value minus depreciation. Recommend payment of adjusted claim damages after execution by Claimant of a Release of All Claims.

ATTACHMENTS: Claim of JP Ultimate Entertainment.
Written response to claim by Events Center Staff.

LEAD STAFF: Michael P. Nigrey, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney