

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY OF KITTITAS
STATE OF WASHINGTON**

RESOLUTION

NO. 2017 - 026

**DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY – Event Center Meeting Rooms
Water Supply**

WHEREAS: The City of Ellensburg Water Department notified Event Center Staff that they would be shutting the water off to make repairs to their main located by the City Pool. Once the repairs were made and the City turned the water back on Kittitas Valley Event Center Staff found that the water lines supplying the Grandstands meeting rooms had ruptured setting off the fire alarm system; and

WHEREAS: The Kittitas Valley Event Center having contracted users that were scheduled to use the meeting facilities affected and with a limited time for the ability to relocate affected contracted uses; and

WHEREAS: The Kittitas Valley Event Center Staff shut the main water off and with assistance from the Kittitas County Fire Department, attempted to identify the issue; and

WHEREAS: Event Staff were unable to make the necessary repairs; and

WHEREAS: the time urgency rendered the bidding process unusable; and

WHEREAS: The Kittitas Valley Event Center Interim Director gave staff direction to contact a plumbing company to explore the issue and make the necessary repairs; and

WHEREAS: declaring a State of Emergency, by which the Kittitas Valley Event Center is able to contract directly with a company capable of making the repairs as quickly as possible, is necessary to meet contractual obligations to facility users. Justification falls under RCW 39.04.280 which allow for competitive bids to be waived in the event of the emergency as defined under subsection 2(c) "For purposes of this section "emergency" means unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of the municipality that either: (a) Present a real, immediate threat to the proper performance of essential functions; or (b) will likely result in material loss or damage to property, bodily injury, or loss of life if immediate action is not taken."

RESOLVED: That it is hereby declared that there is an emergency due to the urgent need to make these repairs, and that the Kittitas Valley Event Center and Commissioners are authorized to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to combat such emergency to protect the health and safety of the community and property.

ADOPTED this 7th day of FEB 2017

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