Kittitas County Community Development Services

Agenda Staff Report

AGENDA DATE:

4/19/2011

ACTION REQUESTED:

Request Board signature on Staffing Agreement for the Teanaway Solar Reserve Project.

BACKGROUND:

The Applicant proposes to develop a solar farm and associated utilities capable of generating up to 75 MWdc of renewable PV solar energy ("Project") on approximately 477 acres within a 982 acre area of leased private real property approximately four (4) miles north of the City of Cle Elum. On August 11, 2010, the Kittitas County Board of Adjustment approved a Conditional Use Permit ("CUP") for the Project pursuant to KCC 17.61 and KCC 17.60A which required the Applicant enter into a Development Agreement with the County. On November 2, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 2010-011 approving and adopting a Development Agreement for the Project pursuant to RCW Chapter 36.70B and KCC 15A.11. Among other terms and conditions of the Development Agreement provides for a Staffing Agreement for County Project Costs. The Applicant will pay for County costs, including third party consultant costs, if necessary, incurred to support plan review and inspection of the Project during construction, in accordance with K.C.C. 14.04 et. al., under a County Staffing Agreement. The Staffing Agreement shall include any additional building and other permit review and inspection costs not covered by the underlying permit fees, including those costs by CDS, Public Works Department, Public health Department, Information Services, and the County Prosecutor's Office. The Staffing Agreement shall be approved by the County as to form and content prior to construction, and such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

INTERACTION:

Community Development Services, Public Works, Public Health, Fire Marshal, Noxious Weed Control, Prosector's Office, Information Services, GordonDerr

RECOMMENDATION:

Board approval of the Staffing Agreement for the Teanaway Solar Reserve Project.

HANDLING:

Return sigend copy to CDS.

LEAD STAFF:

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