

Kittitas County Commissioners

Agenda Staff Report

AGENDA DATE:

12/20/2011

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve Interlocal agreement with the City of Ellensburg such that the Prosecutor's Office will provide interim prosecution services to the City of Ellensburg.

BACKGROUND:

The appointment of Frances Chmelewski to the Superior Court bench to fill the seat vacated by Judge Cooper prevents her from serving as the Ellensburg City Prosecutor. Her last day as Prosecutor will be December 14th. The City needs that service filled starting on the 15th. The City Attorney asked the Kittitas County Prosecutor's Office to provide that service on a short term basis until an RFQ can be completed and a long-term replacement chosen. The Kittitas County Prosecutor's Office negotiated and helped draft this agreement.

INTERACTION:

The City attorney met with Paul Sander and Neil Caulkins and communicated with them in drafting the agreement. The City has approved the agreement at its recent agenda session.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Interlocal Agreement for provision of interim prosecution services.

HANDLING:

The Agreement was drafted between the City attorney and the County Prosecutor's Office and has been approved and executed by the City of Ellensburg.

LEAD STAFF:

Neil Caulkins