# KITTITAS COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS STUDY SESSION MINUTES In-Person and Webex Regular Meeting

#### MONDAY

#### 1:31 PM April 11, 2022

Board Members Present: Chairman Laura Osiadacz, Vice-Chairman Cory Wright, and Commissioner Brett Wachsmith.

Others: Mark Cook, Arden Thomas, Josh Fredrickson, Rebecca Cruse, Candie Leader, Public Works; Mitch Long, Kittitas Conservation Trust; Neil Caulkins, Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

At 1:31 pm Chairman Laura Osiadacz opened the Public Works Study Session.

# TIMBER VALLEY PLAT ROAD VACATION REQUEST

Josh Fredrickson briefed the Board of County Commissioners on application received by Public Works to vacate an unconstructed road system in the Timber Valley Plat. Josh Fredrickson stated that the applicants- 4 property owners adjacent to the parcel have filed jointly. Discussion was held. Staff was directed to prepare enabling documents for a public hearing to consider the vacation of Cascade Drive and Fort Simcoe Road.

#### PROPOSED VACATION OF HILLVIEW DRIVE

Mark Cook proposed to the Board of County Commissioner the vacation of Hillview Drive, a road that was created along with short plat in 2003. Mark Cook stated that currently all parcels in this area are accessing off Bowers Rd with a joint use private drive. Staff was directed to prepare enabling documents for a public hearing to consider the vacation of Hillview Drive.

## PROPOSED VACATION HOLIDAY AVENUE

Mark Cook stated staff is requesting Board direction on the vacation of Holiday Avenue. Mark Cook continued that currently, improvements create an attractive nuisance because the road doesn't reach the Columbia River. The vacation would reduce maintenance demand on the Road Fund and benefit neighboring property owners. Mark Cook added that Holiday Avenue is adjacent to a steep drainage area not benefiting the county and through a Boundary Line Adjustment might accompany the road vacation. Discussion was held. Staff was directed to prepare enabling documents for a public hearing to consider the vacation of Holiday Avenue in Vantage.



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# KITTITAS CONSERVATION TRUST ACQUISITION SUPPORT

Arden Thomas introduced Mitch Long, Executive Director of Kittitas Conservation Trust. Mitch Long is seeking a letter of support from the Board of County Commissioners and the Flood Control Zone District for acquisition of land in the Yakima River Floodplain. Arden Thomas shared priorities for the Flood Control Zone District in favor of supporting the Kittitas Conservation Trusts efforts. The Board of County Commissioners also are in support and directed staff to prepare a letter of support.

Meeting adjourned at 2:01 pm.

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Rebecca Cruse, Administrative Assistant

Laura Osiadacz, Chairman