KITTITAS COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES STUDY SESSION MINUTES COMMISSIONERS' AUDITORIUM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 109 Regular Meeting

MONDAY 1:30 PM January 13, 2024

Board members present: Chairman Laura Osiadacz, Vice-Chairman Cory Wright, and Commissioner Brett Wachsmith.

Others: Josh Fredrickson, Sally Kraft, Public Works; Amy McGuffin, Chamber of Commerce; Stephanie Hartung, Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

At 1:38PM Chairman Laura Osiadacz opened the Public Works Study Session.

No Citizen Comments

REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION SELECTING JRP INTEGRATED SOLUTIONS FOR THE KITITAS COUNTY CWU TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER CENTER FEASIBILITY STUDY AND AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT.

Josh Fredrickson briefed the Board of County Commissioners about the planning grant funding that will be provided through the Washington State Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB). This funding will be used to finance the cost of the Kittitas County CWU Technology Center Feasibility Study. Submittals were requested from qualified consultants to support this feasibility study. The consensus recommendation is that JRP Integrated Solutions be selected as the consulting firm to conduct this study from the three submittals, reviewed by representatives from Public Works, Central Washington University, and the Associate Economic Development Organization. The planning grant will research the costs to repurpose an existing industrial vacant building to create hospitality, meeting, and office space. Vice-Chair Cory Wright moved to approve Resolution 2025-008 and Commissioner Brett Wachsmith seconded the motion. Resolution 2025-008 approved.

KITTITAS COUNTY AIRPORT WILDLIFE HAZARD EVALUATION AND MANAGEMENT PLAN

Josh Fredrickson provided the Board of County Commissioners information about the Wildlife Hazard Evaluation Management Plan (WHMP) that has been developed for Bowers Field, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Wildlife Services program. The emphasis is on monitoring and abating wildlife hazards within the airfield environment and is an important measure to maintain safe operation standards at Bowers Field. The Board of County Commissioners directed staff to bring forward enabling documents for consideration at an upcoming Agenda.

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Meeting concluded at 1:49PM

Sally Kraft, Administrative Assistant

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