

**KITTITAS COUNTY
EC STUDY SESSION MINUTES
BOCC CONFERENCE ROOM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 108 - ELLENSBURG
Regular Meeting**

MONDAY	10:00 AM	August 25, 2025
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Board members present: Chairman Laura Osiadacz, Vice-Chairman Cory Wright, Commissioner Brett Wachsmith

Others: Event Center Director Kady Porterfield, Fair Board President Bob Eddings, Kittitas County Facilities Director Patti Stacey (Webex), Ellensburg Rodeo Board President Carl Jensvold, Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor Stephanie Hartung

1. Call to Order 10:00am

2. Citizen Comments (1 min. time limit) None

3. Rodeo Grandstands Reconstruction Project Updates and Discussion: The stadia piece is a big concern for project timeline due to the estimated manufacturing time. The August 1, 2026 completion date for all construction leaves not much wiggle room. June 30, 2026 is the deadline given to all the contractors, to allow for inspections and final items to be attended to in July. That information is in the request for bids for both the stadia and general construction. With this tight timeline, if unforeseen circumstances arise, there will be an issue meeting the project deadline. The geotech report is still not in yet, but hope to have soon. There has been no excavation in that area for around 75 years, so it is unknown all of what might be under the ground and found during construction. Chairman Osiadacz and Commissioner Wachsmith both commented that we should continue to push forward. Vice-Chairman Wright asked where the stadia is being manufactured and shipped from. The answer was uncertain at this time, but most likely overseas. Patti and Kady will continue to push this forward.

4. Request to Approve the Kittitas County Memorandum of Agreement with Friends of the Kittitas County Fairgrounds Foundation: Vice-Chairman Wright moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Wachsmith. Vice-Chairman Wright thanked Porterfield for all her hard work to see this updated agreement through. Motion passed 3-0.

5. Request to Approve a Resolution to Authorize Approval of the Payment of the Claim for Damages Filed by Tasha and Jesse Maxwell and Authorizing Kittitas County Auditor to Issue a Warrant for Said Claim: Kady further explained the incident. Hartung shared that KVEC staff and management handled the accident and all the follow-up risk components very well. Vice-Chairman Wright moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Wachsmith. Motion passed 3-0.

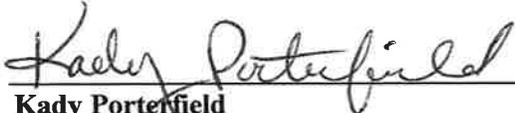
6. Other Business – none.

APPROVED

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Meeting concluded at 10:13am.

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**



Kady Porterfield

Laura Osiadacz, Chairman