

**KITTITAS COUNTY  
PUBLIC WORKS STUDY SESSION MINUTES  
COMMISSIONERS' AUDITORIUM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 109  
Regular Meeting**

**MONDAY**

**1:30 PM**

**MARCH 09, 2026**

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

Others: Joshua Fredrickson, Lisa Godden, Public Works; Stephanie Hartung, Kittitas County Prosecutor's Office; 1 member of the public.

At 1:30 PM Chairman Cory Wright opened the Public Works Study Session.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Pat Kelleher provided comment regarding the Roslyn Water Project and expressed concern that the project does not appear to have a secured water source and stated that securing a reliable water supply should be a priority before further investment. Pat Kelleher referenced prior utility infrastructure issues in other communities and urged the County to ensure long-term water supply reliability. An e-mail from Pat Kelleher to the Board of County Commissioners dated March 9, 2026 is attached hereto.

**REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOARD CHAIR SIGNATURE ON DEEDS FOR ADDITIONAL RIGHT OF WAY ON BULLFROG ROAD**

Joshua Fredrickson requested the Board of County Commissioners approve a resolution authorizing the Board Chair to sign deeds for acquisition of additional right-of-way on Bullfrog Road.

Joshua Fredrickson explained that the request is associated with the Bullfrog Flats development in the City of Cle Elum. Although the development is processed through the City of Cle Elum, Kittitas County has jurisdiction over Bullfrog Road. A traffic study identified impacts from the development, including the need for a roundabout at one of the proposed intersections.

The roundabout would be constructed at the developer's expense, subject to County review and approval. Joshua Fredrickson stated that the existing right-of-way is approximately 60 feet, which is insufficient for the proposed roundabout. The developer worked with

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adjacent property owners to obtain additional right-of-way, and deeds for those acquisitions were included in the Board materials.

Joshua Fredrickson further explained that the County would own and maintain the roundabout pavement surface, while certain related improvements such as lighting and utilities would remain outside County ownership.

Vice Chairman Brett Wachsmith moved to approve Resolution 2026-052 and Commissioner Laura Osiadacz seconded the motion. Motion passed.

#### **PORTION OF INNSBRUCK DRIVE ROAD VACATION REQUEST**

Joshua Fredrickson briefed the Board of County Commissioners regarding an application received to vacate a portion of Innsbruck Drive right-of-way.

Joshua Fredrickson briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the history of the roadway, explaining that Innsbruck Drive was part of the Hyak Estates plat recorded in 1967 and is a dead-end road. The roadway later became County right-of-way following a 1996 Road Improvement District project, after which the County assumed ownership and maintenance responsibilities.

The request was submitted by the owner of Lot 71, located at the end of the street, seeking vacation of a portion of Innsbruck Road in front of the residence at the end of the Road. Joshua Fredrickson explained that the requested area extends to the edge of pavement and would affect the area that could otherwise support a future cul-de-sac or turnaround.

Joshua Fredrickson stated that Public Works does not currently support the vacation request, because vacating the area could limit future roadway improvements, snow removal operations, maintenance needs, and emergency vehicle access. Joshua Fredrickson noted, however, that the application appears sufficient to move through the required process, including a future public hearing and preparation of a director's or engineer's report.

Board discussion included review of the site layout, remaining undeveloped lots, roadway access needs, and operational concerns including emergency response and snow removal. The Board of County Commissioners asked that Public Works conduct additional review and return the matter to a future study session before moving forward.

**KITTITAS COUNTY CONFERENCE OF GOVERNMENTS PUBLIC FACILITIES FUND 2026**

Joshua Fredrickson presented recommendations from the Conference of Governments (COG) regarding Public Facilities Fund (Fund 108).

**City of Roslyn - Clear Well Project**

Joshua Fredrickson presented a recommendation for funding related to the City of Roslyn clear well replacement and repair project. Roslyn's water system uses two clear wells for chlorine contact time and pressure equalization. Joshua Fredrickson reported that one clear well requires full replacement and the second requires substantial repair. The structures were described as being in poor condition, with cracking, leakage, and visible deterioration.

Joshua Fredrickson noted that Roslyn's water system also serves Water District No. 2 / Ronald. The total project cost was reported at just over \$1.5 million. COG recommended funding of up to \$1.5 million.

Board of County Commissioners discussed the condition of the facilities, the significance of the infrastructure need, available funding, and the importance of ensuring long-term utility reliability. Joshua Fredrickson explained that the amount would be capped and that final costs would depend on bid results and any additional funding sources obtained.

**CWU Technology Transfer Center / Old Heat Building**

Joshua Fredrickson also presented to the Board of County Commissioners a COG recommendation for \$20,000 for the CWU Technology Transfer Center / Old Heat Building project. Joshua Fredrickson explained that previous feasibility work had been supported through CERB funding, and that the next phase would include updated architectural planning, warm shell planning, and development of a capital stacking plan to support future public-private investment.

Joshua Fredrickson described the project as an economic development effort intended to connect University research and faculty expertise with industry and innovation opportunities.

**NO OTHER BUSINESS**

Meeting concluded at 1:54 PM

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER:  
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**



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**Lisa Godden, Administrative  
Assistant**



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**Cory Wright, Chairman**