

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

MONDAY

1:30 PM

AUGUST 10, 2026

Board members present: Chairman Brett Wachsmith and Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz.

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

At 1:30 PM Chairman Brett Wachsmith opened the Public Works Study Session.

NO CITIZEN COMMENTS

REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR AS INTERIM ACTING COUNTY ENGINEER FOR AN ADDITIONAL SIX MONTHS.

Joshua Fredrickson briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the request to extend the Public Works Director as interim acting County Engineer for an additional six-month period. Joshua Fredrickson stated the County Engineer position remained vacant, recruitment efforts were continuing with Human Resources, and the County Road Administration Board had been informed of the requested extension.

The Board discussed the continuing recruitment process and the possible deputy director position.

Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz motioned to approve Resolution 2026-139 extending the Public Works Director as Interim Acting County Engineer for an additional six months. Chairman Brett Wachsmith seconded the Motion.

Motion passed.

REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHAIR SIGNATURE ON BILLS OF SALE FOR THE PROPERTY EXCHANGE BETWEEN THE CITY OF ELLENSBURG, CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY AND KITTITAS COUNTY.

Joshua Fredrickson briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the proposed property exchange among the City of Ellensburg, Central Washington University, and Kittitas County. Joshua Fredrickson explained that the County would receive the building at the intersection of Airport Road and Bowers Road, known as the EBDA or

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former incubator building, and would convey the main hangar building used by Central Washington University, while retaining the underlying land.

Joshua Fredrickson stated the Bills of Sale were being reviewed and finalized and that Board authorization was requested so the Chair could sign the necessary closing documents when all documents were complete. Joshua Fredrickson further noted that a land lease with Central Washington University still needed to be finalized and would be brought forward through a public hearing before closing.

Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz motioned to approve Resolution 2026-140 authorizing Chair signature on the Bills of Sale when the documents are finalized. Chairman Brett Wachsmith seconded the Motion.

Motion passed.

NO OTHER BUSINESS

Meeting concluded at 1:35 PM

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**



Lisa Godden,
Administrative Assistant



Brett Wachsmith, Chairman