

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

MONDAY

1:30 PM

FEBRUARY 13, 2023

Board members present: Chairman Cory Wright and Commissioner Laura Osiadacz.

Others: Josh Fredrickson, Darren Case, Justin Turnbull, Arden Thomas Rebecca Cruse, Public Works; Dan Carlson, Toni Berkshire, Jeremiah Cromie, Jeremy Larson, Jen Wiemer, Community Development Services; Neil Caulkins, Prosecuting Attorney's Office; Bryan Elliott, Brian Carlson, Auditor's Office; 1 member of the public.

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

No Citizens Comments.

Chairman Cory Wright requested the removal of item #4 Public Facility Districts in the State of Washington Discussion from this study session agenda.

PORTABLE TOILETS AT RYAN THOMPSON PARK

Josh Fredrickson briefed the Board of County Commissioners on Ryan Thompson Park experiencing increased use resulting in a need for portable toilets. Josh Fredrickson requested the Board of County Commissioners to approve seasonal contract for the service. Motion Approved.

NEXUS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT

Darren Case briefed the Board of County Commissioners on a proposal for services Public Works received from NEXUS for remediation of the Upper County Shop HVAC issues, including improving the insulation of the shop. Darren Case requested direction on moving forward with a contract for services. The Board directed staff to prepare enabling documents for approval.

DRONE POLICY

Justin Turnbull presented a draft policy of drone use for Public Works surveying drone. Justin Turnbull noted that the drone captures a large scope of data that is not needed in the survey. Neil Caulkins informed that he believes the data not needed in the survey could be discarded. Chairman Cory Wright asked if staff was trained to use the survey drone, Justin Turnbull replied that Public Works has 4 FAA certified operators. The Board of County Commissioners directed staff

to receive the legal team's approval on the policy then ratify with the Board.

MONUMENT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Josh Fredrickson briefed the Board of County Commissioners on Public Work's monument recovery program. Department of Natural Resources requests the county update an MOU for monument recovery standards. Commissioner Laura Osiadacz motioned to ratify the agreement. Chairman Cory Wright seconded. Motion approved.

WATERSHED SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING TASK ORDER SUPPORTING THE WEST INTERCHANGE STUDY

Arden Thomas briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the Flood Control Zone District and landowners' motivation to study the regulatory barriers to development at the west interchange. Staff and Watershed Science and Engineering developed a scope of work and ready to fulfill a contract upon the approval. The Board of County Commissioners directed staff to prepare enabling documents.

FEBRUARY 23RD STREAMSIDE LANDOWNERS WORKSHOP

Arden Thomas requested the Board of County Commissioners to direct staff to issue a press release and Facebook post for a workshop organized by the Yakima Basin Fish and Wildlife Recovery Board for Streamside Landowners throughout the county. The Board requested staff send a digital file of the post.

Meeting concluded at 1:47 pm

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**



Rebecca Cruse, Administrative
Assistant



Cory Wright, Chairman