

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE ROOM
SPECIAL MEETING**

MONDAY

3:00 P.M.

FEBRUARY 24, 2020

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

Others: Taylor Crouch, Deputy Clerk of the Board I; Mark Cook, Public Works Director/Interim Engineer; Paul Berendt, Senior Vice President for Strategies 360; and Aya Samman, Public Affairs and Policy Manager for Strategies 360. There was 1 member of the public present.

SPECIAL MEETING PRESENTATION FROM STRATEGIES 360 COMMISSIONERS

At 3:00 p.m. Chairman Wachsmith opened a Special Meeting to obtain information from Strategies 360 on a potential partnership for I-90 projects.

Paul Berendt, Senior Vice President for Strategies 360 began with an overview of the Company and highlighted projects they have accomplished in the past. Their Company has 15 years of experience. The Team that would be handling this project has ties to Kittitas County and community members already. Their team has members that lobby both at the State and Federal levels. Their project plan was to get going as soon as possible with bringing all stakeholders to the table and project plan development. The next stage would be compiling study results from previous studies and seeing what other studies may be needed for the project. Aya Samman, Public Affairs and Policy Manager for Strategies 360 asked the Board if there were any grassroots movements around the project. Commissioner Osiadacz explained the Upper County Traffic Taskforce, community-based group targeting the traffic problems resulting from I-90 overflow.

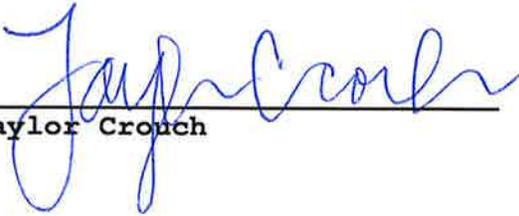
The Board was able to ask questions of the Company about their capabilities to see if they were the best fit for the I-90 projects.

Mr. Berendt concluded his presentation by stating their company would like this project; they're excited about the possibilities of it; and how it would utilize all the skill sets they had on their Team.

Staff was directed to set a follow-up meeting for the BOCC to discuss and consider Lobbyist Candidates.

Meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD I


Taylor Crouch

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Brett Wachsmith, Chairman