

**KITTITAS COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSIONERS AUDITORIUM
SPECIAL MEETING**

TUESDAY

2:00 P.M.

JULY 16, 2013

Board members present: Chairman Obie O'Brien; Vice-Chairman Paul Jewell and Commissioner Gary Berndt.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Kirk Holmes, Public Works Director/Interim Building Official; Jan Ollivier, Transportation Manager; Matt Anderson, Facilities Maintenance Director; Mandy Weed, Administrative Assistant; Doc Hansen, Planning Official; Michael Nigrey, Deputy Prosecutor; Brenda Larsen, Fire Marshal and 2 members of the public.

PUBLIC HEARING

REAL ESTATE PURCHASE

FAIR

At 2:00 p.m. **CHAIRMAN O'BRIEN** opened a Public Hearing to consider purchasing real estate property and buildings located at 1106 E. University Way Ellensburg, WA and 1100 E. University Way, Ellensburg, WA.

MATT ANDERSON, FACILITIES MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR gave a staff report and described the two properties. He indicated the property owners (William and Marian Gerrit) were selling the two pieces of property for a total sum of \$260,000.00 and according to the Kittitas County Assessor's office, the combined assessed value is \$264,750.00. He indicated Mid State Appraisals had conducted an appraisal on both properties and they valued them together at \$255,000.00. **MR. ANDERSON** said the Fair Board recommended purchasing both pieces of property, noting the property was included in their Master Plan. The buildings had been inspected and staff did not recommend renting the homes at this time due to their age as well as all of the renovations that would need to be done. He did not feel it was worth the investment at this time, as the Fair does not have any immediate plans to do anything with them and would like to wait until the overall update to the complex plan has been completed.

The payment would come out of the fund balance from the General Fund and would be re-paid by their increase of admission fees beginning this year. He suggested putting a fence around the

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buildings for the time being and to possibly use them for short term storage for either the Fair or other County departments.

THERE BEING NO ONE REQUESTING TO TESTIFY THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE HEARING WAS CLOSED.

RESOLUTION 2013-092

PURCHASE REAL ESTATE

FAIR

COMMISSIONER JEWELL moved to approve Resolution No. 2013-092, Authorizing the Purchase of Real Property, located at 1100 and 1106 East University Way Ellensburg, WA and to authorize the Chairman to execute any other documents at closing on behalf of Kittitas County, in order to close the transaction. **COMMISSIONER BERNDT** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

PUBLIC HEARING

AMEND FEES/CDS-DPW-FIRE MARSHAL

COMMISSIONERS

At 2:16 p.m. **CHAIRMAN O'BRIEN** opened a Public Hearing to consider amending fees collected by the Community Development Services Department, Public Works Department and the Fire Marshal.

JAN OLLIVIER, TRANSPORTATION MANAGER reviewed the proposed fee changes, noting they had been reviewed and determined full cost recovery. She outlined the proposed fees for the Community Development Land Use Application fees, Public Works Department and the Fire Marshal.

COMMISSIONER JEWELL had concerns with the proposed fees directly relating to the building permit and land use application fees. He said the Board of County Commissioners previously gave staff instruction to go through the modified cost recovery approach and to use a citizen's advisory group before bringing the amendments forward for Board consideration. He reviewed how the State Auditor office had been required to do a study and file a report based on compliance with RCW 82.02.020. He didn't feel the proposed fees met the statute. **KIRK HOLMES, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/INTERIM BUILDING OFFICIAL** said it was their impression that the modified cost recovery approach was to be used for the building permit fees, and they were going to do that during the budget process including a review by a citizen advisory committee. He said their proposed fees were fixed and a model of doing business. He suggested either closing the public hearing or continue it for a month and allow them to create a work group with a modified fee schedule. **COMMISSIONER JEWELL** said he did

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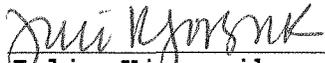
not have any issues relating to the proposed fees included in the document such as for road names, research, addressing and road vacation system, as they are not under the same rules.

THERE BEING NO ONE REQUESTING TO TESTIFY THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE HEARING WAS CLOSED.

COMMISSIONER JEWELL moved to close public hearing with no action and to instruct staff to rework proposal and re-notice a Public Hearing at a later date. **COMMISSIONER BERNDT** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned 2:40 p.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD



Julie Kjorsvik

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**



Chairman Obie O'Brien