

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

MONDAY

1:30 PM

August 12, 2024

Board members present: Chairman Brett Wachsmith, Commissioner Cory Wright.

Others: Josh Fredrickson, Rebecca Cruse, Public Works; Chad Bala, Jamey Ayling, Jessica Miller, Community Development Services; Stephanie Hartung, Prosecuting Attorney's Office; Zack DeHaven, Auditor's Office; 1 members of the public.

At 1:30 PM Chairman Brett Wachsmith opened the Public Works and Community Development Services Study Session.

No Citizen Comments.

TITLE 16 CODE AMENDMENT FOR ANNUAL DOCKET

Jamey Ayling requested the Board of County Commissioners support the addition of a preliminary plat code amendment to 2024 comprehensive plan docket and presented amendments. The Board directed Staff include the item for consideration to the Planning Commission.

AIRPORT LEASE APPROVAL

Josh Fredrickson requested the Board of County Commissioners support to authorize the Public Works Director to execute lease agreements with the Public Works Department currently overseeing the Airport. Staff was directed to prepare enabling documents for consideration.

ROAD LEVY UPDATE

Josh Fredrickson briefed the Board of County Commissioners on business conducted to bring forward the Road Fund Levy Lift to voters and stated CONSOR will be providing outreach information and that mailers will need to be budgeted for. Josh Fredrickson presented Explanatory Statement to the Board and explained that the current Road Fund Levy is .77 cents per \$1000 assessed value and the Road Fund Levy Lift presented to voters will be asking for an additional .24 cents per \$1000 for a total of \$1.01 per \$1000.

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER UPDATE

Josh Fredrickson briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the status of funding for the Search and Rescue Facility and that funds are only allocated for certain portions of the project and that the

project was not chosen for congressional directed spending.
Discussion pursued on funding received and spent on the project.

UPPER COUNTY HOLIDAY WEEKEND SPEED STUDY RESULTS

Josh Fredrickson shared with the Board of County Commissioners the data collected on several roads in Upper County over the July 4th holiday weekend and the significant differences to the comparison data collected on average traffic days. Josh Frederickson stated the directional traffic shows on the data and suggests that I-90 is generating the traffic. Staff was directed to gather non-holiday weekend peak traffic data.

Meeting concluded at 1:55 PM

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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**Rebecca Cruse, Administrative
Assistant**



Brett Wachsmith, Chairman