

**CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF AUGUST 3, 2010**

The Board convened in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, 6th Floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington. Commissioners Boldt, Mielke, and Stuart, Chair, present.

2:00 P.M. PUBLIC BID OPENINGS

Present at bid opening: Rebecca Tilton, Board of Commissioners Office; Mike Westerman and Beth Balogh, General Services-Purchasing Department

BID OPENING 2549

Held a public hearing for Bid Opening 2549 – Railroad Rail & Rail Accessories. Mike Westerman, General Services-Purchasing, read bids and stated it was Clark County's intention to award Bid 2549 on August 10, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' hearing room, 6th floor, Public Service Center.

BID OPENING 2550

Held a public hearing for Bid Opening 2550 – Grass Paving Units. Mike Westerman, General Services-Purchasing, read bids and stated it was Clark County's intention to award Bid 2550 on August 10, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' hearing room, 6th floor, Public Service Center.

BID OPENING 2551

Held a public hearing for Bid Opening 2551 – 10 Ton 3 Axle Dump Trailer. Mike Westerman, General Services-Purchasing, read bids and stated it was Clark County's intention to award Bid 2551 on August 10, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' hearing room, 6th floor, Public Service Center.

6:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Commissioners led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA: ITEMS 1-7

Discussion

Item 3: Request from Public Works-Transportation for approval of Federal Aid Project Prospectus and Local Agency Agreement for CRP 301122, Vancouver Area Smart Trek (VAST); NE 99 ST Traffic Signal Optimization Project.

Pete Capell, Director, Public Works, responded to Commissioner Mielke's question about the project, which is very similar to the one they recently completed on 134th Street

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that is underway for the Padden-Andresen. He explained that the cameras used to monitor the intersections are mounted on the existing polls or mast arms.

Discussion

Item 2: Request from Community Planning for approval of 2010 Memorandum of Understanding between Clark County and the Town of Yacolt for long range planning services.

Colete Anderson, Community Planning, answered Commissioner Boldt's question about where the money would come from. She clarified that the Town of Yacolt would be paying for Community Planning services.

ACTION: There being no public comment, moved by Mielke to **APPROVE** consent agenda items 1 through 7. Commissioners Stuart, Mielke, and Boldt voted aye. Motion carried.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Commissioner Stuart presented a resolution for the board's consideration pertaining to the Columbia River Crossing (CRC) project and placing ballot measures on the November 8, 2011 General Election ballot. The two questions that would be posed to voters pertain to increasing sales tax in order to enhance the primary functions of C-Tran and operate/maintain light rail. He said their next C-TRAN Board of Directors meeting was in August and he hoped to be able to bring the resolution to that meeting.

Following a discussion, Commissioners Boldt and Mielke expressed support for the resolution.

ACTION: Moved by Mielke to **APPROVE** Resolution 2010-08-02. Commissioners Stuart, Mielke, and Boldt voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1) Carol Levanen, Clark County Citizens United, PO Box 2188, Battle Ground, had comments pertaining to the Habitat Conservation Ordinance and Wetlands Protection Ordinance, particular to farm ponds. She also expressed concerns about the proposal to close the Vancouver Rifle and Pistol Club range due to reported lead contamination. (See hearing file for letters.)
- 2) John Jenkins, 6314 NW Bernie Drive, commented about the Columbia River Crossing (CRC) and thanked the board for passing Resolution 2010-08-02 (see above).
- 3) David Madora, 17401 NE Stony Meadows Drive, Vancouver, thanked the board for Resolution 2010-08-02 and asked several questions concerning light rail. [Discussion followed.]

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- 4) Sharon Nasset, Portland, thanked the board for passing Resolution 2010-08-02 (see above). Ms. Nasset also thanked the board for their letter stating that a third bridge corridor freeway connecting to I-5 at Mill Plain over to Oregon was not studied through CRC. Lastly, she submitted information for the record regarding Third Bridge Now and requested 20 minutes to present it at an upcoming board hearing.
- 5) Josephine Winsel, 14712 SW 29th Street, Vancouver, 14712 SW 29th Street, Vancouver, thanked the board for passing Resolution 2010-08-02 (see above). She suggested the board develop a resolution pertaining to bridge tolls.
- 6) Mike Winsel, 14712 SW 29th Street, Vancouver, expressed appreciation to the board for passing Resolution 2010-08-02 (see above). Mr. Winsel addressed the issue of bridge tolls and reiterated his wife's suggestion of a board resolution about tolls.

Commissioner Boldt recommended that folks who are concerned about tolls could also contact the legislature.

- 7) David Madora returned to echo comments from Mr. and Mrs. Winsel regarding tolls and developing a resolution to express their opposition. Mr. Madora stated that he would like to see two more bridges paid for with gas taxes, following the same model as the I-205.
- 8) Carol Levanen returned to comment about her involvement with River County when folks didn't feel they were being heard and wanted to split from Clark County. They needed to have a major corridor for commercial and industrial tax base. In the research they did, Skamania County was very interested in working with that process because there is so much Federal land and existing roadways and easements that would accommodate a major highway. She said the idea kind of died out because Skamania County felt that they might end up in the same position as River County.

Commissioner Stuart asked Ms. Levanen if she still had any of the information they did on the corridor analysis with Skamania County, and she said she could provide that.

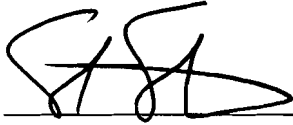
COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS

- Commissioner Boldt commented about Deputy Mike Nolan's funeral services, which took place on July 30 and was very well attended.
- Commissioner Mielke commented that he served on the state Transportation Committee for 8 years and in the long range plan there is an eastern-southern route that has been proposed for many years from Canada to Centralia running on this side of the mountains. It's been in the works for a long time and is recognized as being a necessity. Also, he noted that the Vietnam Memorial Wall would be opening in La Center on August 4.
- Commissioner Stuart reminded everyone that the Clark County Fair was opening on Friday, August.

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Hearing adjourned

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Steve Stuart, Chair



Tom Mielke, Commissioner

Marc Boldt, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Clerk of the Board

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