

**CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 12, 2013**

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

10:00 A.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Commissioners led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Reverend Jeremy Carmichael of Calvary Community Church delivered the invocation.

BID AWARD CRP 321322 & 320622

Barberton & Hazel Dell-Felida Traffic Signal Optimization

Mike Westerman, Purchasing Manager read a memo stating it was the best interest of the County to repackaging the bid, make a few changes to the scope, including bid alternates and rebid at a later date.

ACTION: Moved by Mielke to **REJECT** all bids related to CRP 321322 & 320622 and to repackaging the bid, make a few changes to the scope, including bid alternates and rebid at a later date. Madore seconded the motion. Commissioners Mielke, Madore, and Stuart voted aye. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Stuart stated they were pulling consent agenda item #2 for further discussion. Stuart read consent agenda item #1. Further discussion ensued. Stuart read consent agenda item #3. Stuart read consent agenda item #2. Pete Capell, Public Works Director spoke further on consent agenda item #2 and asked for the board to disregard it. Further discussion ensued.

ACTION: Moved by Mielke to **APPROVE** consent agenda items #1 and #3. Madore seconded the motion. Commissioners Mielke, Madore, and Stuart voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. John Polos spoke on the CRC project. He also spoke on the Pearson Air Museum and about the sheriff's office and their budget.
2. Grace Harris spoke about her property and inquired about a zoning change.
3. Leslie McHarry spoke about the conduct at Commissioner's meetings and C-Tran meetings. **Further discussion ensued.**
4. Carolyn Crain spoke about mental health issues. **Further discussion ensued.**
5. Sharon Nasset spoke about the advisory votes.

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6. Margaret Tweet spoke about C-Tran ballots, ridership concerns, and bus rapid transit.
7. Ed Barnes spoke about the CRC project and spoke about the transportation forum at the Hilton on the 19th.
8. Carol Levanen, Clark County Citizens United, spoke about a liquor license issue. She also spoke about prevailing wages. **Further discussion ensued.**
9. Jack Davis spoke about free speech. He also spoke about services lost in the Sheriff's office. **Further discussion ensued.**

PUBLIC HEARING: CCC 5.48 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

To consider amendments to Clark County Code 5.48A, Emergency Medical Services, to include Woodland into the EMS District #2 service area and exclude the City of Vancouver and area made up by Fire District #5. Additionally, the Board will consider readoption of sections related to procedures for licensing ambulance services, ambulance vehicles and minimum vehicle and equipment standards. Finally, the Board will consider amendments to the Exemptions section, the powers and duties assigned in subsection 080, and related changes.

ACTION: Moved by Mielke to **DELAY** the public hearing regarding the Clark County Code 5.48 Emergency Medical Services to November 26, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. Madore seconded the motion. Commissioners Mielke, Madore, and Stuart voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: PUBLIC USE & NECESSITY - NE 119th Street (NE 72nd Avenue - NE 87th Avenue)

To consider a request from Clark County's Public Works Department to declare the NE 119th Street (NE 72nd Ave. – NE 87th Ave.), capital road project CRP #390722, a "Public Use and Necessity" and to direct the Prosecuting Attorney's office to proceed onto Superior Court with Eminent Domain proceedings

Pete Capell, Public Works Director and Steve Hansen, Real Property Manager, Public Works, presented. Mielke inquired more information. Capell responded. Further discussion ensued. Jane Vetto, Prosecuting Attorney's office joined the discussion. Further discussion ensued. Chris Horne, Prosecuting Attorney's office provided language clarification regarding the Thornton properties.

ACTION: Moved by Mielke to **APPROVE** the action to declare the Northeast 119th Project from 72nd Avenue to 87th avenue a public use and necessity and direct the Prosecuting Attorney's office to proceed with the condemnation of the Bank of America parcel 119887-360. Madore seconded the motion. Commissioners Mielke, Madore, and Stuart voted aye. Motion carried.

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PUBLIC HEARING: INTEGRITY RESOLUTION RE: CRC/LIGHT RAIL

To consider a resolution pertaining to the response of Clark County Commissioners to a contract for the proposed Columbia River Crossing/Light Rail project.

Stuart provided some background. Madore presented the proposed changes in the resolution.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE INTEGRITY RESOLUTION RE: CRC/LIGHT RAIL

1. Ed Barnes stated his concerns with the resolution.

Recess taken at 11:33 a.m. and reconvened at 11:40 a.m.

2. Karen Hengerer stated her concerns with the resolution

Chris Cook, Prosecuting Attorney, joined the discussion. Further discussion ensued. Mielke inquired if the resolution should be moved to next week in order to give staff time to review the changes. Madore agreed. Stuart stated his concerns with placing some of the items on the grid. Further discussion ensued.

CONTINUED PUBLIC COMMENT

3. Karen Hengerer stated her concerns with the language. **Further discussion ensued.**
4. Lee Jensen stated his concerns with the resolution. **Further discussion ensued.**
5. Margaret Tweet spoke about CRC / light rail funding.
6. Bridget Mcleman stated her concerns with the resolution.
7. Sharon Nasset offered some suggestions in the resolution and moving forward. **Further discussion ensued.**
8. Craig Dewey stated his concerns with the multiple drafts of the resolution. He stated his opposition of the resolution. **Further discussion ensued.**
9. Jodi Guetzloe Parker inquired about getting the children involved in local issues and stated her opposition to the resolution.
10. Paul Montague, President of Identity Clark County, spoke about the elections results and location preference for light rail users. He asked for Commissioner Madore to table the resolution and asked Commissioner Mielke to vote against it.
11. Carolyn Crain offered some suggestions in the resolution.
12. Carol Levanen, Clark County Citizens United spoke about Oregon side of I-5.

Further Board discussion ensued. Stuart commented about changing the title of the resolution. He spoke about the definition of integrity. Further discussion ensued. Madore spoke about the purpose of the resolution. Further discussion ensued about contract negotiations. Stuart offered some language changes to the resolution. Further discussion ensued. Madore spoke further about the purpose of the resolution and the actions of the C-Tran Board. Further discussion ensued. Stuart spoke about the cost associated with the study mentioned in the resolution.

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Further discussion ensued about operation light rail funding. Further discussion ensued about the validity of the information in the resolution. Madore inquired more information from Commissioner Stuart. Stuart responded. Further discussion ensued about light rail expenses to Clark County residents. Further discussion ensued about the findings and sources used in the resolution. Stuart spoke about the proposed language mentioned regarding the no tolling project. Madore responded. Further discussion ensued. Further discussion ensued regarding advisory votes. Stuart spoke further on proposed language in the resolution. Further discussion ensued. Further discussion ensued about C-Tran needs. Madore inquired more about C-Tran funding. Stuart responded. Further discussion ensued. Stuart spoke further on the proposed language in the resolution. Further discussion ensued. Mielke spoke about the timeline to make changes. Madore responded. Stuart commented about the importance of the resolution being factual and commented about the time being spent on the resolution. Further discussion ensued. Swanson inquired on guidance moving forward. Madore responded. Further discussion ensued.

ACTION: Moved by Mielke to **CONTINUE** the public hearing regarding the Integrity resolution regarding CRC / Light rail to November 26, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. Madore seconded the motion. Commissioners Mielke and Madore voted aye. Commissioner Stuart voted nay. Motion carried.

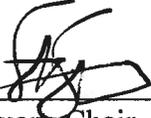
COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS

Stuart thanked the entire Veteran's for their service.

Hearing Adjourned

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Steve Stuart, Chair



Tom Mielke, Commissioner

David Madore, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Rebecca Tilton, Clerk of the Board

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