

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF THE
DECLARATION OF A NON-
DEBATEABLE EMERGENCY
REGARDING COUNTY PROPERTY
AT 317 WEST MAIN, WALLA
WALLA

RESOLUTION NO. **17-033**

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 36.40.180, upon the happening of any emergency or for the immediate preservation of order or of public health or for the restoration to a condition of usefulness of any public property, the board of county commissioners may, upon the adoption by the unanimous vote of the commissioners present at any meeting the time and place of which all of such commissioners have had reasonable notice, of a resolution stating the facts constituting the emergency and entering the same upon their minutes, make the expenditures necessary to meet such emergency without further notice or hearing; and

WHEREAS, on February 3, 2017, the unit providing heat to a building on the County campus identified as "the old jail", 317 West Main, a separate building on the Walla Walla County campus in which some County employees have work space, shut down, and although a repair was effected for that situation by Total Comfort Solutions, it was noted that the heat exchanger portion of the unit could continue to cause problems; and

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2017, the unit again shut down and would not re-set, and Mr. Byers again sought repairs, then on February 13, 2017, upon the unit failing again, Total Comfort Solutions determined that the unit was unable to be repaired in a cost-effective manner, and offered the County a Proposal for a replacement gas furnace in the amount of \$4,387.00 plus tax, or \$4,777.44; and

WHEREAS, upon receiving information on the costs of repair versus replacement of the unit and finding them close in price, Mr. Byers deemed it more cost-effective to purchase a new unit; and

WHEREAS, the building in question is a public property, and immediate steps to rectify the situation were deemed necessary to protect the health and welfare of the employees who populate the building and/or utilize the building, as cold temperatures have been in effect; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Byers reported on the situation to the Board of County Commissioners during an open, public meeting of the Board on February 13, 2017, and at the conclusion of his report and subsequent to discussion, the Board of County Commissioners, by motion, unanimously authorized Mr. Byers to proceed with immediate purchase of a replacement unit as outlined above; now therefore

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by this Board of Walla Walla County Commissioners as follows:

- 1) The Facilities Maintenance Manager is authorized to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to replace the heating unit (furnace).
- 2) Due to the emergency situation, authority for paragraph 1 above may exercised without regard to time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law regarding purchasing and acquisition of goods and services (excepting mandatory constitutional requirements).
- 3) Any such expenditures shall be tracked and must be within current budget authorizations unless separate supplemental authorization is provided by the Board.

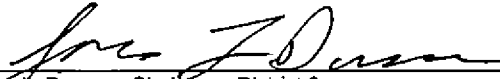
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board shall approve this resolution stating the facts of the emergency and that pursuant to RCW 39.04.280, competitive bidding requirements shall be waived and that necessary contracts shall be awarded by the county to address the emergency.

"Passed this 21st day of February, 2017 by Board members as follows: 3 Present or 0 Participating via other means, and by the following vote: 3 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstained 0 Absent."


Attest:



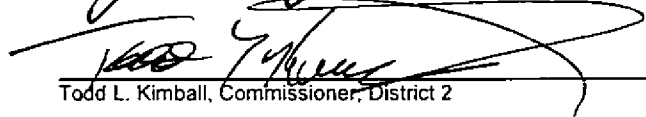
Connie R. Vinti, Clerk of the Board



James L. Duncan, Chairman, District 3



James P. Johnson, Commissioner, District 1



Todd L. Kimball, Commissioner, District 2

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of Walla Walla County, Washington