

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF SETTING A DATE
OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER
AMENDING WALLA WALLA COUNTY
CODE TITLE 9, TO CREATE CIVIL
INFRACTION PENALTIES FOR THE
MISUSE OF THE 911 EMERGENCY
SYSTEM

RESOLUTION NO. **17 137**

WHEREAS, Walla Walla County contracts with the City of Walla Walla to provide emergency dispatch services; and

WHEREAS, the Walla Walla County Board of Commissioners received a memo dated April 21, 2017 from Steve Ruley, City of Walla Walla Police Department/Manager of WESCOM (Walla Walla Emergency Services Communications) and designated Walla Walla County 911 Coordinator, requesting the adoption of an ordinance to address a misuse by some callers of the 911 emergency system; and

WHEREAS, currently there are few options available through the Revised Code of Washington for enforcement of abuses of the 911 emergency system, which is a critical public safety venue for reporting the need for emergency fire, medical or law enforcement response; and

WHEREAS, an ordinance addressing this need and request has been prepared by the County Prosecuting Attorney's office for consideration of adoption by the Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to hold public hearing to consider the proposed ordinance; now therefore

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that a hearing date be set for Monday, May 22, 2017, at the hour of 9:30 a.m. in Commissioners' Chambers, County Public Health and Legislative Building, 314 West Main, Walla Walla, Washington, to hear testimony in favor of or in opposition to adoption of an ordinance to amend Walla Walla County Code Title 9, adopting a new Chapter 9.36 to address misuse of the Walla Walla County 911 system operated through WESCOM, and to apply to any call or text message received from within incorporated or unincorporated Walla Walla County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners is hereby instructed to proceed with advertising as prescribed.

"Passed this 8th day of May, 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."

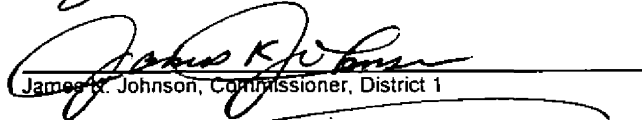
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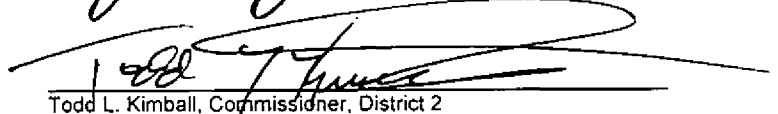
Connie R. Vinti, Clerk of the Board



James L. Duncan, Chairman, District 3



James K. Johnson, Commissioner, District 1



Todd L. Kimball, Commissioner, District 2

Constituting the Board of County Commissioners
of Walla Walla County, Washington