

**BOARD OF COUNTY COUNCILORS
BOARD TIME
MINUTES OF OCT 14, 2015**

The Board of Councilors convened at 1300 Franklin St, Vancouver, Washington 98660, Conference Room B.

Approval of minutes for September 30, 2015 & October 7, 2015

ACTION: Moved by Mielke to **APPROVE** the minutes for September 30, 2015 and October 7, 2015. Stewart seconded the motion. Councilors Madore, Stewart, and Mielke voted aye. Motion carried.

Draft Remote Transactions Parity Act letters to congressional delegation

Madore provided some background of the previous week's discussion. Mielke spoke about State law. Mark McCauley, County Manager, joined the discussion. Madore stated his concerns with supporting the bills. Stewart spoke about action happening on the Federal / State level. Further discussion ensued. Mielke inquired more on Washington taxes. Mark Gassaway, Finance Director responded. Further discussion ensued about sales tax revenue. Madore spoke about his concerns with the Federal government involvement. Axel Swanson, Senior Policy Analyst, inquired about incentive programs. Gassaway responded. Stewart spoke about competitive disadvantage. Stewart stated her support of sending the letter. Gassaway explained the bills further. Swanson inquired about the Chamber's perspective. Madore stated his concerns with continuing the conversation and Federal collection. Further discussion ensued. Madore stated he does not support it. Mielke spoke about road taxes and stated his support of writing a letter to State legislators. Madore stated he would like to move on.

Islands impacting commercial property

Mielke provided an overview. Mielke spoke about the importance of following the ordinance. He spoke about the Chevron property. Chris Horne, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, joined the discussion. He spoke about the timeline of the request. Mielke spoke about the importance to direct staff to address safety concerns. Further discussion ensued. Madore stated his support of the request. Stewart inquired about Mielke's request. Mielke responded. Stewart spoke about other requests they were receiving.

Councilor / Staff Reports:

Peter Silliman, Research Analyst / Policy Assistant spoke about working with Community Development / Animal Control staff on setting up a hearing / work session for revisions to Title 8 Animal Control and Title 9 Code Enforcement of the County Code.

McCauley spoke about the Miller Paint property. Further discussion ensued about the Dolle Building.

The Board adjourned for Executive Session

The Board adjourned for Executive Session and reconvened at 3:22 PM

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Draft Fee Waiver Resolution

Mielke spoke about drafting a resolution regarding the current fee waiver and spoke about previous Board discussions. Further discussion ensued about the request and spoke about moving forward.

Adjourned

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David Madore, Chair

Jeanne E. Stewart, Councilor

Tom Mielke, Councilor

ATTEST:

Rebecca Tilton, Clerk of the Board

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