

CASCADE COUNTY SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING
March 31, 2023
FAMILY LIVING CENTER- EXPO PARK AND VIA ZOOM
2:00 PM

Commission
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Cascade County Commission: Madam Chair Grulkowski, Commissioner Jim Larson, and Commissioner Joe Briggs.

Present: Sandra Merchant, Josh Racki, Carey Ann Haight, Phoebe Marcinek, Bonnie Fogerty, and Marie Johnson.

Zoom Attendees: Ali, Mark, Mike, Shep, Lynn Allison, Amanda Anderson, K. B., Lynn Baker, Ryan Ball, Tony Barille, Pam Bennett, Trista Besich, Brian Bickel, Danyell Bickel, Cassidy Blomgren, Elaine Blythe, Terri Bogden, Hunter Breen, Diane Brien, Nikki Brien, Carol Bronson, Anne Brust, Sheridan Buck, Davin Buffington, Shanna Bulik, Jodie Campbell, Carole Clark, Dianna Crocker, Beth Cummings, David Dennis, Lynn DeRoche, Tom Donnelly, Sandra Erickson, Rachel Fenner, Cynthia Fike, Katrin Finch, Gayle Fisher, Lacey Gallagher, Kathleen Galvin-Halcro, Cindy Gordon, Mandy Grams, Marjorie Greer, Steve Grout, Charlotte Gwinn, A Hale, Alicia Hamilton, Brenda Hanson, Irene Hanson, Jane Hashley, Beverly Hauptmann, Penny Hembree, Janet Henderson, Mike Henen, Sean Higginbotham, Abigail Hill, Sarah Horn, Karen Jackson, Denise Johnson, Garnet Jones, Toni K, Linda Keller, Shawn Kelley, Sheila Kelly, Mandi Kennerly, LAF Kilowatt, Lanni Klasner, Teresa Korpela, Joy Korst, Tom Kotynski, Ashlee Kummer, Melanie LaClair, Kim Lander, Kory Larsen, Michele Levine, Richard Liebert, Austin Lindsay, Jim Lopuch, Drew Lovec, Paula Lovec, Sally Lydon, Rachelle Lynn, Jeff Mangan, Kelly Manzer, PigAlley Marshal, Arlene Mathison, Michelle Mee, Mike Meloy, Brent Michel, Trevor Mikkelsen, Christopher Miller, Dale Moore, Toni Moore, Amanda Notch, Edward O'Brien, Robert Padmos, Angela Payne, Allyssa Peak, Vera Pederson, Bruce Pollington, M.R., Luba Racki, Preston Rammell, James Reeves, Nathan Reiff, Jerri Rollins, Marilyn Rose, Aspen's S22, Earl Salley, Russell Say, Alan Scanlon, Debrah Scherrer, Bert Schmidt, Casey Schreiner, Sam Scott, Nancy Scriver, Monica Serrato, Miranda Shure, Elaine Skyes, Courtney Smith, K Smith, Jennifer Snell, Frank Speidel, Ben Spencer, Leigh Spencer, Amy Sterling, Melan Strain, Becky Sullivan, Adam Talbert, Charles Tucek, Laurie Turner, Karen Venetz, Barb Walden, John Walden, Gordon Whirry, Mark Willmarth, Mary Willmarth, Mimi Wolf, Thomas Wylie, Charity Yonker.

Public members that signed in: John W Almon, Nancy Anderson, Norma Ashby Smith, Tia Batista Dear, Carlie Boland, Cheri Bowman-Lyons, Carol Bradley, Jeffrey Brainard, Mike Brainard, Ashby Burchard, Linda Caricaburu, Jim Carlson, Marilyn Carlson, Gail Carter, Brad Clark, Fran Combs, Jim Combs, Beth Cooper, Mike Cooper, Aishly Corrigan, Casey Cummings, Sarah Cummings, Richard Czech, Joyce Davis, Jill Day, Peggy Dean, Curt Dear, Dennis Deforest, Sam Deforest, Paula Delaney, Mary Dietz, Michael Dietz, Daniel Donovan, Linda Donovan, Leighton Dresch, Wil Dubielczyk, Diedri Durocher, Susan Effertz, Mary Embleton,

Michael Enk, Pam Evans-Wagner, Jerry Ferderer, Katie Fontana, Pete Fontana, Teri Forde, Ben Forsyth, Janette Forsyth, Corinne Frick, Carol Gamell, Mary Gernaat , Kathy Gessaman, Barb Going, Geneva Goodman, Dennis Granlie, Marianne Granlie, Jeffrey Gray, Garry Hackett, Pauvo Hall, Kathryn Hansen, Lisa Hardiman, Rex Heckel, Mike Henning, Elna Hensley, Mary Hensley, Dennis Heppner, Jean Heppner, Rick Higgins, Greg Hilpert, Jim Hinde, Eric Hinebauch, Tim Hodges, Grayce Holzheimer, Peyton Huffman, Donald Jacobs, Teeter Jacobs, Bob James, Cindy James, Arvid Johnson, Dena Johnson, Gaye Lynn Johnson, Gordon Johnson, Rick Johnson, Ruth Johnson, Daniel Keder, Lisa Kunz, Michelle Lague, Jeff Lasch, Jim Leigland, Vickie Leigland, Kathryn Lewis, Nikki Lillie-Long, Don Lundby, Karla Luttrell, Matt Lyons, Tom Lyons, William Marsik, Sharron Mashburn, JoAnn Matsko, Tom Matsko, John McGee, Susie McIntyre, Charlotte Mehmke, Charla Merja, Elliot Merja, John Mieyr, Katherine Mieyr, Tom Moore, Judy Mortensen, Dan Oakland, Sharon Oakland, Matt Ochsner, James Olsen, Amy Olson, Linda Olson, Marlene Olson, Whitney Olson, Ted Ondler, Ken Palisin, Brian Patrick, Jerald Patterson, Jeanne Peterson, Herman Plass, Jeff Platisha, James Ployhar, Tony Rausch, Joann Rowland, David Runkel, Karla Runkel, David Saslav, Cheryl Scheer, Mike Scheer, Leanne Schillinger, Marilyn Schneider, Rosanne Schuster, Doris Seaton, Lita Sharone, Kim Skornogoski, Ron Staley, Barbara Stevens, Diane Stingar, Ron Szabo, Patty Taurman, Jasmine Taylor, Janet Thomson, K Toole, Erin Tropila, Sally Tucker, Sylvia Tuss, Dyrck Van Hying, Steven Vinnedge, Laura Vukasin, Bill Wadman, Fred Wadsworth, Gayle Wadsworth, Jane Weber, Jim Weber, Jim Weinhandl, Jerrold Weissman, Jerry Weissman, Nadyne Weissman, Jan Wenaas, Sam Wilson, Shannon Wilson, Tom Wylie, Nancy Zadick.

Call to Order: Madam Chair Grulkowski called the special meeting to order. **00:01**

Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge of allegiance was recited. **00:08**

Greetings: Madam Chair Grulkowski greeted. **00:53**

Special Meeting Item: PowerPoint Presentation -Election Process .

Presentation: Clerk and Recorder/Auditor/Elections Administrator Sandra Merchant gave her presentation. **03:49-21:13**

Discussion: There was discussion amongst the Commission and Sandra Merchant. **22:06-31:34**

Madam Chair Grulkowski opened the meeting to public comments.

Public Comment: Elliot Merja spoke. **32:20** Jasmine Taylor spoke. **22:42** Ruth Johnson spoke **39:27** Jeffrey Brainard spoke **42:14** Tom Moore spoke **45:00** Whitney Olson spoke and presented a written statement (see Exhibit "A") **52:46** Pauvo Hall spoke **57:44** Jane Weber spoke and presented a written statement (see Exhibit "B") **59:25** Cheryl Lucas spoke **1:06** Noel Johnson spoke **1:08** Susie McIntyre spoke **1:10** Ashton Burchard spoke **1:11** Dan Keder spoke **1:15** Cheri Bowman-Lyons spoke **1:16** Dennis Granlie spoke **1:19** Herman Clause spoke **1:21** Tony Rausch spoke **1:23** Becky Dubielczyk spoke **1:24** Pete Fontana spoke **1:25** Lilly Long spoke **1:28** Jeffrey Brainard spoke **1:30** Julie Bass spoke **1:31**

Sharon Griffin spoke **1:35** Garry Hackett spoke **1:36** Carol Robinson spoke **1:37** **Zoom**

Attendee speakers- Anne Brust **1:38** Lynn Baker spoke **1:41** Richard Liebert spoke **1:44** Earl Salley spoke **1:49** Beth Cummings spoke **1:49** John Walden spoke **1:52** Dianna Crocker spoke **1:52** Debrah Scherrer spoke **1:53** Sheila Kelly spoke **1:53** Alicia Hamilton spoke **1:55**

Madam Chair Grulkowski thanked everyone for attending and their comments.

Public comment on any public matter that is not on the meeting agenda, and that is within the Commissioners ' jurisdiction. (MCA 2-3-103) : None

Adjournment : Madam Chair adjourned the special meeting at 3:57 p.m.

