

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-22

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BENTON CITY TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT WITH BENTON COUNTY FOR THE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS FROM THE RURAL COUNTY CAPITAL FUND

WHEREAS, the County has previously agreed to distribute certain funds received from the State of Washington that it has deposited in its Rural County Capital Fund (hereinafter "Fund") after April 1, 2016 for the financing of certain "public facilities [projects] serving economic development purposes" as contemplated by State statute (RCW 82.14.370) and in conformance with County policy (Resolution 2017-103, adopted January 31, 2017); and

WHEREAS, the County and the City are authorized, including under Chapters 39.33 and 39.34 of the Revised Code of Washington, to contract with each other and other public agencies in order to effectively and efficiently operate, administer, and carry out their programs and public projects; and

WHEREAS, the City has sold property in the Kiona area of Benton City south of the Yakima River to a developer who has a specific development plan and has an economic development interest in other public and private properties in this same area, all of which cannot be developed to their potential without significant improvements to Lift Station 7 of the City's existing sewerage system; and,

WHEREAS, Lift Station 7 does not have capacity to adequately serve the proposed development on the property that the City sold or other similar properties owned by other parties that could be developed; and,

WHEREAS, Lift Station 7 goes out of service when Yakima River floodwaters reach Man Hole 9-5, which services Lift Station 7; and

WHEREAS, for these reasons the City intends to substantially upgrade Lift Station 7 as follows:

- 1) install a force main extension to Lift Station 7 to move wastewater under pressure to the City's wastewater treatment plant;
- 2) install pump upgrades at Lift Station 7 to increase overall capacity south of the Yakima River for full utilization of the force main extension and provision of continuous sewer service to the area south of the Yakima River for both existing and future customers;
- 3) install a radio telemetry system for better real-time monitoring of the status and function of Lift Station 7 remotely as opposed to onsite; and
- 4) install a supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) system to allow controlled adjustments to Lift Station 7 to be made remotely; and,

WHEREAS, the above described improvements (the "Project") will assist in the recruitment of new businesses and are expected to result in over 40 permanent jobs related to business(es) on the previously City-owned parcel and would positively impact sales, B&O, and property tax revenues for the City; and


WHEREAS, the City has requested \$500,500.00 for the Project from that portion of the Fund allocated to it by the County to be reimbursed to the City by the County; NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENTON CITY, WASHINGTON, hereby resolves as follows:

That the Mayor of the City of Benton City, Washington, is hereby authorized and directed to sign the Disbursement Agreement for the Use of Rural County Capital Funds between the City of Benton City, Washington, and Benton County, Washington, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as Exhibit A; and to take all necessary steps required for the implementation of this Agreement.

ADOPTED this 20th day of June, 2017, by the City Council of the City of Benton City, Washington, and signed in authentication of its passage this 20th day of June, 2017.

Resolution 2017-22 filed and recorded in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Benton City, Washington, this 20th day of June, 2017.



Linda Lehman
Mayor

Attest:

Approved as to Form:



Stephanie Haug, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer



Kerr Law Group
City Attorney