



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

(Must be submitted NLT 3PM Wednesday for next week agenda)

Department: BOCC

WORK SESSION Meeting Date:

REGULAR AGENDA Meeting Date: 12/01/2015

Required Originals Approved and Attached?
Will be provided on:

Item Summary:*

- Call for Hearing
- Resolution
- Draft Ordinance

- Contract/Agreement/MOU**
- Proclamation
- Final Ordinance

- Contract #
- Budget Item
 - Other

Documents exempt from public disclosure attached:

Executive Summary:

The 2016 Public Hearing Budget is hereby presented for Public Hearing on December 1, 2015 as required by the Clallam County Home Rule Charter, and thus continues the budget adoption process that will result in an adopted budget by December 08, 2015. General Fund Revenues are projected to reach \$33,811,020 as we continue to see increased economic activity across the county, resulting in improved budget projections for Sale of County Timber, Sales and Property Taxes, Intergovernmental Revenues (from the consolidated criminal justice agreements with the City of Port Angeles and Sequim) along with new Grant Income for 2016. While we are not budgeting for the automatic 1% increase in property taxes, as allowed by law, we do expect that the new construction values and corresponding increase in total assessed valuation will add to our total property tax collections. On the expenditure side, this budget makes good on the BOCC promise to use up most of our excess reserves in an effort to help stimulate the local economy. We are projecting \$36,789,778 in operating expenses, using \$2,978,758 in reserves (approximately \$700,000 of which is one-time spending) to balance the budget. The new, ongoing expenses in the General Fund include \$560,000 in Sal & Bens (+6.6 FTE) resulting from the 37.5 hour work week to a 40 hour work week, \$1,076,000 in Sal & Bens (+12.7 FTE) for new staff in the Assessor, Treasurer, Permit Center, I.T., Prosecutor, Facilities, and WSU Extension Departments, \$145,300 transfer to H.H.S. Operations for W.I.C. and Naloxone injections, leaving about \$213,000 for 2016 COLA adjustments in salaries and annual service contracts. The projected ending fund balance of \$9,208,553 (25.03%) is still VERY healthy, and is \$869,083 more than the minimum amount our policies call for.

The Road Department is, as always, the biggest of our Special Revenue Funds, spending \$20,037,975 for 2016, against revenues of \$14,056,187, on 2016 projects and an expanded road maintenance program. The other major spending (\$10,440,255) will be for build-out of the Carlsborg Sewer Project. We expect to start construction as early in the spring as possible, and hope to be finished by the end of the year, starting operation in 2017.

As always, we like to estimate the impact on the local economy that results from the planned spending in each year's budget. For 2016 we plan for \$33,077,197 in payroll, \$5,395,755 in supplies (mostly local), \$20,362,730 in contracted services (again, much of that local), and 23,936,998 in capital projects spending, for a total of \$82,772,680 being put back into the economy, against \$28,805,467 in taxes, \$720,995 in Licenses and Permit fees, \$1,170,769 in Fines and Forfeits, for a total of \$30,697,231 taken out of the economy. This means that your County Government is actually providing a net positive impact of \$52,075,449 on the local economy,

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mostly coming from intergovernmental revenues from State and Federal sources, along with approved Grants and use of accumulated reserves.

Please review the attached budget data and feel free to ask me, or our Budget Director, Debi Cook any questions that you might have.

Budgetary Impact : (Is there a monetary impact? If so, are funds for this already allocated or is a budget change necessary? If this is a contract and a budget change is necessary, the budget change form must be submitted with the item at work session and for the regular agenda) **If a budget Action is required, has it been submitted and a copy attached?**

This is the 2016 Public Hearing Budget.

Recommended Action : (Does the Board need to act? If so, what is the department's recommendation?)

Ask any questions you might have and Open the Public Hearing.

County Official Signature:  _____

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