

Resolution 2024-09

Assist Fund Established for Receiving Donations

Waterfront Improvements, Public Pier, & Dock Rehabilitation Project

Whereas the Washington State Revised Code of Washington (RCW 35.21.100 & 53.08.110) allows Junior Taxing districts such as the Port of Illahee, to accept donations, and

Whereas the Washington State Revised Code of Washington (RCW 53.20.10) requires Port Commissions to adopt a “comprehensive scheme of harbor improvement” (Comprehensive Plan) prior to construction, which was approved (Resolution 2020-02), and provides the background to the process, and is available on the Port of Illahee’s website: portofIllahee.com, and

Whereas over the past 6 years of planning, the project has been delayed for a variety of issues, primarily permitting, which have recently been resolved, such that the project is nearly ready for construction, which have also increased Port costs, and more recently the discovery of 20 failing pilings, with 17 supporting the Illahee Dock which has added an additional \$510,000 cost to the project, and

Whereas while Resolution 2024-08 actions have resulted in a funding path forward for the construction phase, there remains the \$700,000 bond plus the remaining \$319,000 (after a RCO grant for \$191,000) for the failing pilings resulting in the Port initially having an over \$1M debit, to be carried over the next 20 years, less the sale of Port assets such as the 5560 Ocean View property and the Illahee Road lot, and

Therefore, the Port of Illahee Commission, has determined that additional funding will urgently be needed for future Port Commissions and that now is the opportune time for a fundraising campaign to cover present and future Port needs, and has decided to use the successful fundraising model of the Illahee Forest Preserve, which is as follows:

1. Funds will be solicited from the Illahee Community and beyond for the subject project.
2. Contributions of \$1,000 or more will have their names inscribed on a bronze plaque, to be affixed in a prominent location on the site (28 characters maximum). Names will be listed by donation size, then alphabetically (see the dedication rock at the Almira entrance to the Illahee Preserve for an example).
3. Contributions to government agencies, such as Ports are deductible, receipts will be provided for any donations of \$250.00 or more.
4. The Port of Illahee will issue weekly progress reports during the construction phase of the project, including donation information. The project is scheduled to be complete within 330 days of the project award date. For questions, please contact the Port of Illahee administrator, PortofIllahee@gmail.com.



Commissioner Hall



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Commissioner Rupert