

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Exempting a Personal)
Services Contract for the Provision of)
Construction Engineering Services)
from the Screening and Selection Procedures)
of the Personal Services Contracting Rule)

ORDER NO. 60-2003

WHEREAS, Section 10 of the Columbia County Personal Services Contracting Rule, adopted by Order No. 16-96, authorizes the County to exempt certain personal services contracts from the screening and selection procedures of the Personal Services Contracting Rule upon approval of the following findings: (a) It is unlikely that such exemption will encourage favoritism in the awarding of personal services contracts or substantially diminish competition for these contracts; and (b) the awarding of personal services contracts pursuant to the exemption will result in substantial cost savings to the County. In making such findings the Board may consider the type, cost, amount of the contract, number of persons available to bid and such other factors as the Board may deem appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Personal Services Contracting Rules also exempt single-source personal services contracts from the screening and selection procedures of the Personal Services Contracting rule, where only a single personal services contractor is known to the County to be qualified to do the particular job or perform the particular services required, or only the single personal services contractor has reasonable access to factual, technical or statistical information necessary to perform the services required; and

WHEREAS, the Columbia County Road Department desires to hire a consultant to perform construction engineering for the Port Westward Phase 1-A Road Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that time is of the essence in performing such construction engineering in order to begin the necessary road improvements prior to the commencement of construction at Port Westward; and

WHEREAS, Parametrix, Inc. performed the preliminary engineering for the Port Westward Phase 1-A Road Improvement Project, and therefore has particular knowledge of factual, technical or statistical information necessary to perform the construction engineering; and

WHEREAS, it is unlikely that the exemption of a personal services contract with Parametrix will encourage favoritism in the awarding of personal services contracts or substantially diminish competition for these contracts; and the awarding of such personal services contract pursuant to the exemption will result in substantial cost savings to the

County; and

WHEREAS, Parametrix has proposed to do the necessary work for \$375,942.94;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the contract with Parametrix to perform construction engineering for the Port Westward Phase 1-A Road Improvement Project is hereby exempted from the screening and selection procedures of the Personal Services Contracting Rule.

DATED this 27th day of August, 2003.

Approved as to form

By: *Sarah Tyson*
County Counsel's Office

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

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Joe Corsiglia, Chair

By: *Rita M. Bernhard*
Rita Bernhard, Commissioner

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