

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Exempting Personal Services )  
Contracts for the Provision of Consulting Project )  
Management Services From the Screening and )  
Selection Procedures of the Personal Services )  
Contracting Rule )  
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**ORDER NO. 20 - 2008**

WHEREAS, Section 10 of the Columbia County Personal Services Contracting Rule, adopted by Order No. 38-2006, 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 Department may deem appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Personal Services Contracting Rules 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, Columbia County desires to obtain project management services related to development at the Port Westward site; and

WHEREAS, Tom Fuller of the consulting firm Shiels Oblatz Johnsen, Inc., has particular knowledge of the Port Westward area, including the facilities, utilities, features and urban renewal plan of Port Westward, which is critical and necessary to perform the required work; and

WHEREAS, Shiels Oblatz Johnsen, Inc., is the only personal services contractor known to the County to be qualified to do the required work; and

WHEREAS, it is unlikely that the exemption of personal services contracts with Shiels Oblatz Johnsen, Inc. will encourage favoritism in the awarding of personal services contracts or substantially diminish competition for these contracts; and the awarding of such personal services contracts pursuant to the exemption will result in substantial cost savings to the County; and

WHEREAS, Shiels Oblatz Johnsen, Inc. has proposed to appoint Tom Fuller as project manager at the rate of \$110.00 per hour, plus reimbursable expenses, to do the necessary work in, said consulting services to conclude on December 31, 2008, unless further extended.



NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the contracts with Shiels Obletz Johnsen, Inc., to perform project management consultant services are hereby exempted from the screening and selection procedures of the Personal Services Contracting Rule.

DATED this 19 day of March, 2008

Approved as to form

By: John K. Lyons  
Office of County Counsel

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

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