## BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

n the Matter of Declaring an Emergency and Awarding a Public Contract for Carnival Services to Butler Amusements, Inc.	)	ORDER NO.	3-2016
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WHEREAS, Columbia County entered into a contract with Davis Amusement Cascadia, Inc. on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 for carnival services during the Columbia County Fair and Rodeo through July, 2016; and

WHEREAS, on January 11,2016, Davis Amusement Cascadia, Inc., notified the Columbia County Fair Board that it would not honor the contract for the 2016 Columbia County Fair and Rodeo; and

WHEREAS, proceeds from the annual carnival are expected to equal 13.5% of the Columbia County Fair's total annual revenue, without which the Columbia County Fair and Fairgrounds services will be in jeopardy; and

WHEREAS, because fairs throughout Oregon and elsewhere are generally held during a short summer season, and because the number of carnival providers are limited, carnival operators are typically booked months, if not years in advance; and

WHEREAS, the Columbia County Fair Board is in the process of procuring carnival services for the Columbia County Fair and Rodeo commencing in 2017, however, that process will not be completed in time to contract with a carnival operator for 2016; and

WHEREAS, upon learning that Davis Amusement will not provide carnival services for the 2016 Columbia County Fair and Rodeo, the Columbia County Fair Board President contacted all known carnival operators at the Oregon Fair Association to determine availability; and

WHEREAS, only one of the contacted carnival operators, Butler Amusements, Inc., is available to provide carnival services during the week of the Columbia County Fair and Rodeo; and

WHEREAS, ORS 279B.080 and OAR 137-047-0280 exempt a contract for services in an emergency;

/// /// /// NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

- 1. The Board of Commissioners finds that an emergency exists, justifying a direct contract for carnival services at the 2016 Columbia County Fair and Rodeo.
- 2. A direct contract for carnival services during the 2016 Columbia County Fair and Rodeo with Butler Amusements, Inc., is authorized.

DATED this 10th day of February, 2016.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By:

Anthony Hyde, Chair

By:

Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

Approved as to form

By:

Farl Fisher Commissione

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Office of the County Counsel