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INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CENTRALIA/CHEHALIS TOURISM PROMOTION AREA

THIS AGREEMENT ("Agreement") dated this day of September 27, 2016, is made and entered into by and among the CITY OF CENTRALIA, a municipal corporation of the State of Washington ("Centralia") and the CITY OF CHEHALIS, a municipal corporation of the State of Washington ("Chehalis"), referred to jointly as the "Cities," and the LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC FACILITIES DISTRICT, a municipal corporation of the State of Washington (LCPFD), pursuant to the authority of RCW 39.34 (Authority to enter in to Interlocal Agreements) and RCW 35.101 (authorizing the establishment of a Tourism Promotion Area) to levy Special Assessments to fund tourism promotion.

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Washington by Chapter 35.101 RCW authorizes "legislative authorities," meaning the legislative authority of any county with a population 40,000 or greater or any city or town within such a county..." to establish a Tourism Promotion Area to permit the levy of Special Assessments to be expended exclusively for tourism promotions; and

WHEREAS, the Operators of Lodging Businesses located within the corporate city limits of Centralia and the corporate city limits of Chehalis have presented an Initiation Petition to both Cities seeking to have the Cities establish a joint Tourism Promotion Area; and

WHEREAS, the Initiation Petition submitted to the Cities, marked as Exhibit "A" and attached to this Agreement, included:

1. A description of the boundaries of the proposed Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area, which include the corporate city limits of Centralia and Chehalis; and
2. The proposed uses and projects for which the proposed revenue from the Special Assessments should be dedicated and the total estimated cost of such uses and projects; and

3. The estimated rate for the Special Assessments to be levied on Lodging Businesses within the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area; and
4. The signatures of the persons who operate Lodging Businesses in the proposed Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area who would pay sixty percent (60%) or more of the proposed Special Assessments; and

WHEREAS, the Cities are authorized by RCW 39.34 and by RCW 35.101 to enter into this agreement to establish a Tourism Promotion Area, pursuant to the provisions of the Initiation Petition received from the Operators of Lodging Businesses, to include, within the boundaries of the proposed Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area; and

WHEREAS, on June 6, 2016 the City of Centralia City Clerk received an Initiation Petition authorized by RCW 35.101.020 and on June 27, 2016 the City of Chehalis received an Initiation Petition authorized by RCW 35.101.020, from the Operators of Lodging Businesses located within the Corporate City limits of Centralia and Chehalis requesting a public hearing by the Legislative bodies of both Centralia and Chehalis, pursuant to the authority of the Tourism Promotion Areas Act, for the purposes of considering the establishment of a Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area to provide funds for tourism promotion in the corporate city limits of Centralia and Chehalis; and

WHEREAS, on the 28th of June, 2016 the City of Centralia City Council adopted a Resolution entitled "A Resolution of the City of Centralia, Washington, of Intention to Establish a Tourism Promotion Area and setting July 12, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.in the Council Chambers at Centralia City Hall as the date for a Public Hearing to Consider the Establishment Thereof" for the promotion of tourism within the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area, describing the boundaries of the proposed Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area, the proposed uses and projects that the proposed revenues from Special Assessments levied within the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area would be dedicated and setting the proposed rates for the Special Assessments to be levied on Lodging Businesses to fund the uses and projects of the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area, estimating the total cost for the proposed activities and programs for the use of funds received by the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area and directing the giving of notice of such public hearing; and,

WHEREAS, on the 11th of July, 2016 the City of Chehalis City Council adopted a Resolution entitled "A Resolution of the City of Chehalis, Washington, of Intention to Establish a Tourism Promotion Area and setting July 25, 2016 at 5:05 p.m.in the Council Chambers at Chehalis City Hall as the date for a Public Hearing to Consider the Establishment Thereof" for the promotion of tourism within the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area, describing the boundaries of the proposed Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area, the proposed uses and projects that the proposed revenues from Special Assessments levied within the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area would be dedicated and setting the proposed rates for the Special Assessments to be

levied on Lodging Businesses to fund the uses and projects of the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area, estimating the total cost for the proposed activities and programs for the use of funds received by the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area and directing the giving of notice of such public hearing; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 2646, entitled "A Resolution of the City of Centralia, Washington, of Intention to Establish a Tourism Promotion Area and setting July 12, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.in the Council Chambers at Centralia City Hall as the date for a Public Hearing to Consider the Establishment Thereof" for the promotion of tourism and convention business within the corporate city limits of Centralia and Chehalis was duly published, and copies thereof were mailed to each Lodging Business in the proposed Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area, as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 16-2016, entitled "A Resolution of the City of Chehalis, Washington, of Intention to Establish a Tourism Promotion Area and setting July 25, 2016 at 5:05 p.m.in the Council Chambers at Chehalis City Hall as the date for a Public Hearing to Consider the Establishment Thereof" for the promotion of tourism and convention business within the corporate city limits of Centralia and Chehalis was duly published, and copies thereof were mailed to each Lodging Business in the proposed Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area, as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Cities have by appropriate legislative action, authorized or will authorize the execution of an Interlocal Agreement between the Cities and the LCPFD to permit the establishment of a Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area to include collection of Special Assessments from Lodging Businesses within their respective jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, through this Interlocal Agreement the Cities along with the Lewis County Public Facility District (LCPFD) intend that the use of the TPA funds is to form a "Sports Commission" under the authority of the LCPFD to facilitate economic development through the promotion of sporting events within the proposed TPA.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the promises set forth hereafter, the cities of Centralia and Chehalis hereby agree as follows:

1. Purpose. The purpose of this Agreement is to promote tourism in Centralia/Chehalis by permitting the establishment of a Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area ("TPA") pursuant to RCW 35.101, which when created, will permit collection of Special Assessments from Lodging Businesses located within Centralia and Chehalis to fund tourism promotion and to memorialize the agreement between the parties relating to this TPA.

2. **Definitions.** As used in this Agreement, the following terms, unless the context otherwise dictates, shall have the following meanings:

2.1 "Agreement" shall mean this Interlocal Cooperation Agreement entered into among Centralia and Chehalis, for the establishment of a Tourism Promotion Area by the Cities as authorized by RCW 35.101.040(2).

2.2 "Annual Budget" shall mean the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area budget for a fiscal year, as adopted or amended by the Lewis County Public Facility District, which shall identify all estimated revenue from Special Assessments for the fiscal year, and providing for all proposed uses of Special Assessment revenue for the purpose of providing tourism promotion in Centralia/Chehalis for the ensuing fiscal year.

2.3 "Lodging Business" means a business which is located within the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area that furnishes lodging taxable by the state under RCW 82.08 that has forty (40) or more lodging units. Lodging facilities with fewer than 40 rooms are not considered "Lodging Businesses" for the purpose of this Agreement and are exempt from any fees imposed under RCW 35.101.

2.4 "Operator" means the Operator of a Lodging Business, whether in the capacity of owner, general manager, lessee, sub lessee, mortgagee in possession, licensee or any other similar capacity.

2.5 "Lewis County Public Facility District (LCPFD)" means a duly organized and legally existing Washington public facilities district and municipal corporation, created by Lewis County in accordance with Chapter 36.100 of the Revised Code of Washington pursuant to Resolution No. 07-247 of the County, adopted on August 13, 2077.

2.6 "Sports Commission" means the Commission which is a Committee of the Lewis County Public Facilities District, organized pursuant to the Bylaws and other authority and procedures as established by the LCPFD.

2.7 "Centralia/Chehalis Corporate City Limits" means the entire geographic boundary of Centralia/Chehalis.

2.8 "Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area" or "TPA" means the Tourism Promotion Area created by the resolution of the Centralia and Chehalis Councils pursuant to the authority of the Tourism Promotion Areas Act, RCW 35.101, as authorized or as will be authorized by the resolutions of each of the respective City Councils of the Cities adopting the terms of this Agreement.

2.9 "Room Revenues" means the gross per-night charge (nights of stay) imposed for the rental of a room or combination of rooms for Lodging.

2.10 "Special Assessment" means the levy (charge) imposed by Centralia/Chehalis on the Operators of a Lodging Business within the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area and subsequently passed on to the guests of the Lodging Business, under the authority of RCW 35.101 for the purpose of providing for funding of tourism promotion in Centralia/Chehalis.

2.11 "Tourism Promotion" means activities and expenditures designed to increase tourism and convention business, including but not limited to, advertising, publicizing, or otherwise distributing information for the purpose of attracting and welcoming tourists, and operating tourism destination marketing organizations.

2.12 "Transient Basis" means the rental of a room or rooms for dwelling, lodging, or sleeping purposes by the Operator of a Lodging Business for a period of thirty (30) consecutive calendar days or less, counting a portion of a day as a full calendar day.

3. Tourism Promotion Area to be Established by Centralia/Chehalis

A. It is hereby understood and agreed by the Cities, pursuant to the authority of RCW 35.101.040 (2), shall establish a "Tourism Promotion Area" designated the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area to include the corporate limits of the Cities.

B. It is hereby understood and agreed by the Cities, that the purpose of permitting the Centralia and Chehalis Councils is to form the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area under RCW 35.101.040 (2) to provide revenue to fund tourism promotion that will benefit the Operators of Lodging Businesses in, and the tourism industry of, the cities of Centralia and Chehalis.

4. Levy of Special Assessments on Lodging Businesses within the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area.

A. The Centralia/Chehalis Council will impose Special Assessments on the Operators of Lodging Businesses within the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area in accordance with the Special Assessments as set forth in City of Centralia Resolution No. 2646 and City of Chehalis Resolution No. 16-2016.

B. Centralia and Chehalis shall require the LCPFD to contract with the State Department of Revenue for the administration and collection of such Special Assessments pursuant to RCW 35.101.090.

C. It is understood and agreed by and between the Cities that the Operators of Lodging Businesses within the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area will be subject to Special Assessments to be levied at the rate of \$2.00 per lodging unit rented.

D. Any change in the Special Assessment rates shall be made only by amendment of the resolution by the Centralia and Chehalis City Councils.

F. It is understood and agreed by the parties, that the Special Assessments imposed under this section are not a tax on the "sale of lodging" for the purposes of RCW 82.14.410 and are not applicable to temporary medical housing exempt under RCW 82.08.997.

G. It is understood and agreed by the parties, that the Special Assessments imposed under this Agreement are in addition to the special assessments that may be levied under RCW 35.87A.

5. Administration and Collection of Special Assessments.

A. It is understood and agreed that in accordance with RCW 35.101.090, the Washington State Department of Revenue shall administer the Special Assessments authorized under this Agreement and shall deposit the Special Assessments collected into the local tourism promotion account created in the custody of the state treasurer under RCW 35.101.100.

B. It is understood and agreed that in accordance with RCW 35.101.100, the state treasurer has the authority to distribute the money from the tourism promotion account to the LCPFD on a monthly basis.

6. Use of Special Assessment Revenues for the Establishment of a Sports Commission.

A. It is understood and agreed that all of the revenues derived from Special Assessments shall be allocated by the LCPFD for the establishment of a Sports Commission. The LCPFD shall have the ultimate authority to set and approve all Annual Budgets.

B. The revenues derived from the Special Assessments shall be used only for the following:

1. Establishment of a Sports Commission to promote and sponsor athletic and sports events that promote tourism within the TPA.
2. The Sports Commission shall focus market and recruit sporting events in order to promote local tourism and to benefit the Lodging Businesses and tourism industry within the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area.

7. Administration of the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area.

A. The Public Facilities District agrees to administer the Tourism Promotion Area. This Agreement requires LCPFD to administer the TPA to comply with all applicable

City and State laws, ordinances, and regulations. The LCPFD shall be required to comply with all applicable provisions of law, including RCW 35.101 et seq. and with all Centralia/Chehalis resolutions and ordinances as well as all regulations lawfully imposed by the state auditor or other state agencies.

B. The LCPFD shall be responsible for establishing a Sports Commission and administering the activities and programs of the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area and to prepare an Annual Budget. The Sports Commission Board shall be represented by:

Public Facilities District representative
The Centralia School District Athletic Director
The Chehalis School District Athletic Director
Centralia College Athletic Director
Centralia Parks and Recreation representative
Chehalis Parks and Recreation representative
Pacific Athletic Club representative
Centralia hotelier's representative
Chehalis hotelier's representative
Four at large members selected by a majority of the Sports Commission.

C. The Annual Budget for the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area shall consist of:

1. A list of the Lodging Businesses subject to Special Assessments and an estimate of the revenue to be received from all such Lodging Businesses; and,
2. A statement of the proposed budget for all Sports Commission activities and programs to be funded from Special Assessments during the ensuing fiscal year.

D. All Special Assessments imposed within the TPA and received from the Washington State Treasurer and any interest therein shall be deposited by the LCPFD in a special account. Provided, however, no Special Assessment shall be dispersed in any fiscal year until after the adoption of that fiscal year's Annual Budget. Provided further that the LCPFD shall not expend in any fiscal year Special Assessments in excess of the approved fiscal year's Annual Budget.

E. The parties hereto acknowledge and agree that funds derived from the TPA Special Assessment are intended only to develop a "Sports Commission" for the promotion and recruitment of sporting events.

8. Modification or Disestablishment of the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area.

A. The Centralia and Chehalis City Councils, by appropriate action, may modify the provisions of the ordinance establishing the TPA after adopting a resolution of intention to such effect. Such resolution of intention shall describe the change or changes proposed, and shall state the time and place of a public hearing to be held by the Centralia and Chehalis Councils to consider the proposed action.

B. Upon receipt of a petition indicating a desire to disestablish the TPA, with the signatures of the persons who operate lodging businesses in the TPA who pay forty percent (40%) or more of the total special assessments, the Centralia and/or the Chehalis Council shall adopt a resolution of intention to disestablish the TPA, and shall state the time and place of a public hearing to be held by the Centralia and/or the Chehalis Council to consider the proposed action, provided the public hearing will be at least fifteen (15) days prior to consideration of the proposed action. If at said hearing a petition objecting to the disestablishment is presented, with the signatures of the persons who operate lodging businesses in the TPA who pay fifty-one percent (51%) or more of the total special assessments, the TPA shall not be disestablished. If such petition objecting to the disestablishment is not presented at said hearing, either City Council shall disestablish the TPA.

9. Miscellaneous Provisions.

A. Duration and Termination of this Agreement. This Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until such time as the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area is disestablished by action of the Centralia/Chehalis Council as provided in Section 8 above. Following termination of this Agreement, Centralia and Chehalis shall be responsible for utilizing any remaining unallocated revenue from Special Assessments for tourism promotion within Centralia and Chehalis.

B. Waiver. No officer, employee, or agent of Centralia/Chehalis, or the Cities, has the power, right or authority to waive any of the conditions or provisions of this Agreement. No waiver of any breach of this Agreement by the Cities, shall be held to be a waiver of any other or subsequent breach. Failure of the Cities, to enforce any of the provisions of this Agreement or to require performance of any of the provisions herein, shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of such conditions, nor in any way effect the validity of this Agreement or any part hereof, or the right of the Cities, to hereafter enforce each and every such provision.

C. Records. All records prepared, owned, used or retained by the LCPFD in conjunction with operating or administering the activities and programs of the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area as provided for under the terms of this Agreement shall be deemed records of the Cities, and shall be made available by the LCPFD upon request to the Cities, State Auditor, or their authorized representatives. Records shall be retained according to Washington State Auditor's records retention schedules.

D. Property and Equipment. Centralia/Chehalis shall be the owner of all property and equipment purchased by the LCPFD from Special Assessment Revenues. Provided, however, in the event of the termination of the Agreement with the LCPFD, Centralia/Chehalis agrees to make the property and/or equipment available to the successor Organization for its use in conjunction with providing similar services. Provided further, in the event of disestablishment of the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area, all property and equipment purchased by the LCPFD from Special Assessment Revenues shall be retained by Centralia/Chehalis and used for any lawful purposes.

E. Integration. This Agreement contains all of the terms and conditions agreed upon by the Cities, concerning the establishment of the Centralia/Chehalis Tourism Promotion Area by the Centralia and Chehalis City Councils and the collection of Special Assessments from Operators of Lodging Businesses within the entire area, including the area within the corporated city limits of the Cities. No other understandings, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Agreement shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the parties hereto. The parties have read and understand all of this Agreement, and now state that no representation, promise, or agreement not expressed in this Agreement has been made to induce the officials of Centralia or Chehalis to execute this Agreement.

F. Severability. In the event any provision of this Agreement shall be declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall have full force and affect.

G. Execution of Agreement. This Agreement shall become effective immediately after it is duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Centralia and the City Council of the City of Chehalis, and the Secretary of State of the State of Washington.

H. Indemnification and Defense. The Parties shall defend, indemnify and hold each other, their officers, officials, employees and volunteers harmless from any and all claims, injuries, damages, losses or suits including attorney fees, arising out of or in connection with the performance of this Agreement, except for injuries and damages caused by the sole negligence of an individual Party.

I. No real Property Acquisition. This Interlocal Agreement does not provide for the acquisition, holding, or disposal of real property.

J. Notice. Any formal notice or communication to be given among the County and the Cities under this Agreement shall be deemed properly given, if delivered, or if mailed postage prepaid and addressed to:

City of Centralia
PO Box 609
Centralia WA 98531
Attn: City Clerk

City of Chehalis
350 N Market Blvd
Chehalis WA 98532
Attn: City Clerk

Chair, Board of Directors
Lewis County Public Facilities
District
c/o Lewis County Treasurer
PO Box 509
Chehalis WA 98532
Attn: County Treasurer

- K. Filing. Copies of this Interlocal Agreement, together with the resolution of the Councils of each City approving and ratifying this Agreement, shall be filed with the Clerk for each City, the Lewis County Auditor, and the Secretary of State of Washington after execution of the Agreement by each party. Provided as an alternative, this Agreement may be listed by subject on the County's website or the Cities' websites or other electronically retrievable public source.
- L. Non-Discrimination. The Cities certify that they are Equal Opportunity Employers.
- M. Amendment. Provisions within this Agreement may be amended with the mutual consent of the parties hereto. No additions to or alteration of, the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing, formally approved and executed by duly authorized agents of all parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Centralia, the City of Chehalis and the Lewis County Public Facilities District have executed this Agreement by their duly authorized officials pursuant to all requirements of law.

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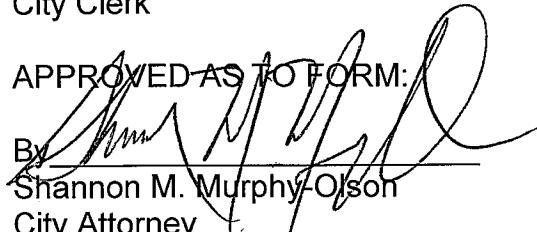
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City Manager

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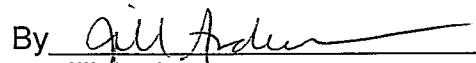


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City Attorney

CITY OF CHEHALISBy 

Jill Anderson
City Manager

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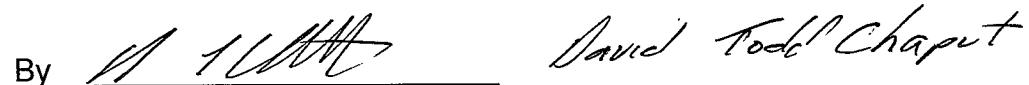


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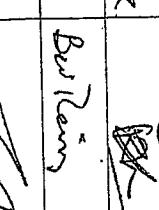
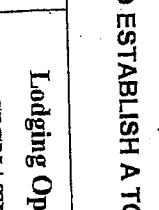
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City Attorney

LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC FACILITIES DISTRICTBy 

By _____

PETITION TO ESTABLISH A TOURISM PROMOTION AREA (RCW Chapter 35.101)

Exhibit A

Date	Lodging Operator PLEASE PRINT	Lodging Operator SIGNATURE	Name of Lodging Establishment	Address of Lodging Establishment
6-3-16	Todd Chapt		Holiday Inn Express Best Western Plus Park Place Inn & Suites	730 New Liberty Place Chehalis, WA 98532
06/03/2016	Terra Green		Elmwood Inn	122 Interstate Ave Chehalis, WA 98532
6/3/2016	Gary Stuewe		Elmwood Inn	123 Elmwood Dr Chehalis, WA 98532
6-3-16	Desmond Patel		Shoreline Motel	1255 Lakewood Dr Chehalis, WA 98532
6/3/16	Karen Kumar		WAKEVIEW INN CENTRAL	1310 Belmont Ave Centralia, WA 98531
6/3/16	Ber Ramirez		Motel 6	1003 Eckerson Rd Centralia, WA 98531
6/6/16	Sam Patel		Quality Inn	
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WARNING

Every Lodging Facility Operator who signs this petition certifies that they have the authority to sign this document and the authority to collect the additional charge if the Tourism Promotion Area is formed, on behalf of the corporate entity that owns the lodging facility that they are hired to manage/operate.

**Petition Establishing a Tourism Promotion Area
(RCW Chapter 35.101)**

**Comprised of the corporate city limits of the
City of Centralia and the City of Chehalis, Lewis County, Washington**

Requires the signature of persons who operate lodging businesses in the proposed area who would pay sixty (60%) percent or more of the proposed charge.

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYORS AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE CITIES OF CENTRALIA, WASHINGTON, Lewis County, 118 Maple Street, Centralia, WA 98531 and CHEHALIS, WASHINGTON, 350 North Market Blvd., Chehalis, WA, Lewis County;

We, the undersigned, being the operators of lodging businesses within the proposed Tourism Promotion Area request the following:

1. That the cities of Centralia and Chehalis form a Tourism Promotion Area under the authority of RCW 35.101 that is comprised of the corporate city limits of Centralia and the corporate city limits of Chehalis, both located in Lewis County, WA.
2. That we as operators support the additional charge of up to \$2.00 per room, per night that will be charged to all users of rooms within lodging facilities.
3. That we as operators support the use of the additional charge by the Public Facility District to form a committee, to be known as, "The Sports Commission" to promote sporting events within the Tourism Promotion Area.

The estimated annual revenue is anticipated to be \$200,000.

Every Lodging Facility Operator who signs this petition certifies that they have the authority to sign this document and the authority to collect the additional charge if the Tourism Promotion Area is formed, on behalf of the corporate entity that owns the lodging facility that they are hired to manage/operate.