RESOLUTION NO.

CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A VESSEL REPLACEMENT SURCHARGE, RESCIND RESOLUTION # R20150261 & ESTABLISH A NEW SKAGIT COUNTY FERRY FARE SCHEDULE

WHEREAS, Skagit County (County) owns a combined vehicle and passenger ferry, the M/V Guemes, which operates between Anacortes and Guemes Island, Washington; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Skagit County Commissioners (Board) has determined that the M/V Guemes has reached the end of its useful and economic life and needs to be replaced; and

WHEREAS, RCW 36.54.200 allows a county operating a ferry to impose a vessel replacement surcharge on every fare sold to be used only for the construction or purchase of ferry vessels, and to pay the principal and interest on bonds authorized for the construction or purchase of ferry vessels; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires for the County to implement a ferry vessel replacement surcharge (pursuant to RCW 36.54.200) of $1.00 per adult passenger fare sold, $0.50 per senior/disabled/youth passenger fare sold, $1.00 per motorcycle fare sold, $2.00 per vehicle fare sold, and $5.00 per oversize vehicle sold; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to consider rescinding Resolution #R20150261, and establishing a new ferry fare structure to reflect the County vessel replacement surcharge; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to receive public testimony in this regard.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the Board of Skagit County Commissioners shall hold a Public Hearing on April 17, 2018 at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as possible to consider public testimony regarding a County vessel replacement surcharge, rescinding Resolution # R20150261, and establishing a new ferry fare schedule.

PASSED this 2↻ day of March , 2018.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
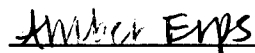SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON

ABSENT
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Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Chair

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Lisa Janicki, Commissioner

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Ron Wesen, Commissioner

Attest:

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Clerk of the Board

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Approved as to form:

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Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Approved as to Content:

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Department Head

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