

OKANOGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S

RESOLUTION 13 - 2020

***RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION 125-2014 TO ALLOW AT LARGE POSITIONS
ON THE LODGING TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE***

WHEREAS, in part, RCW 67.28.1817 requires, at minimum, a five-member Lodging Tax Advisory Committee with at least two members who represent businesses that are required to collect the tax (collector), two members who are involved in activities authorized to be funded by revenue received from the tax (receiver), and one member who is an elected official of the municipality who shall serve as chair of the committee. The number of members who are representatives of businesses required to collect tax shall equal the number of members who are involved in activities authorized to be funded by the tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners passed resolution 125-2014 which established a seven-member Lodging Tax Advisory Committee with each of the three Commissioner Districts being equally represented by two members, (one collector and one receiver) with one member a county elected commissioner serving as chairman; and

WHEREAS, since 2014, it has been very difficult to fill all seven positions consistent with the county's resolution 125-2014; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners believe changes to the committee make up would provide the committee more flexibility; and

WHEREAS, Board of Okanogan County Commissioners deems it in the best interest of Okanogan County to amend the composition of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee as established via resolution 125-2014,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Okanogan County Commissioners that Resolution 125-2014, Section 3: Composition of Committee, is hereby amended as follows:

The Lodging Tax Advisory Committee shall consist of the following members as defined and mandated by RCW 67.28.1817:

Position 1). One member who serves At-Large and represents the Tourism Industry

Position 2) One member who serves At-Large and represents the Tourism Industry;

Position 3). One member that is required to collect taxes under RCW 67.28;

Position 4). One member that is authorized to receive revenue from taxes collected under RCW 67.28;

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Position 6). One member that is authorized to receive revenue from taxes collected under RCW 67.28;

Position 7). An elected official of Okanogan County who will serve as chair of the committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Section 1: Definitions, is hereby amended to include the definition of "Tourism Industry" as follows:

"Tourism Industry" means the set of industries that provide: Accommodation, Adventure and Recreation, Attractions, Events and Conferences, Food and Beverage, Tourism Services, Transportation, or Travel Trade.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all remaining sections of resolution 125-2014 remain in effect;

DATED at Okanogan, Washington this 28th day of January 2020.



Laleña Johns,
Clerk of the Board

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OKANOGAN, WASHINGTON**


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