

OKANOGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION 23 - 2024

A resolution amending resolution 1-2012 Policy on bottled water purchases

WHEREAS, the Board of Okanogan County Commissioners approved resolution 1-2012 establishing rules delineating the circumstances under which bottled water may be purchased and prohibiting the purchase of bottled water for employee use when offices have a readily accessible potable water source; and

WHEREAS, the Courthouse Facility Maintenance office is located in the basement of the Virginia Grainger building which has no readily accessible potable water source; and

WHEREAS, the OSHA requires provision of water that is drinkable according to US Public Health Service Drinking Water Standards, and the potable water must be "readily accessible to all employees" for drinking, washing, food-related hygiene, and other personal use; and

WHEREAS, WISHA has a standard requirement that at least one quart of drinking water per hour for outdoor work be readily available in warm or hot weather; and

WHEREAS, the BOCC wants to provide readily accessible potable water for proper hydration of maintenance staff taking into account the work environment, air temperature, humidity and nature of work performed;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, resolution 1-2012 is hereby amended to allow the purchase of reusable 5-gallon jugs of bottled potable water for use by the Courthouse Facility Maintenance employees to meet the OSHA and WISHA Water Requirements.

Dated at Okanogan, Washington this 6th day of February 2024.



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