

## Legislation Text

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### **REFURBISHMENT OF COMMERCE AVENUE STREET CLOCK**

#### **COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE ADDRESSED:**

Council Initiative: Address quality of place.

#### **CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: N/A**

#### **SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

The residents of Cowlitz County and visitors to the City of Longview have long enjoyed the history and assets of R.A. Long's planned City. There have been several books written about how R.A. Long built the City and left the community with the incredible buildings, parks, and artifacts that have provided the fabric and community pride for Longview. The following project proposal is being developed to sustain one of the historic features the R.A. Long provided to our community, the Commerce Avenue Street Clock.

The refurbishment of the Commerce Street Clock consists of three phases.

1. Completely refurbish and replace working components of the Commerce Avenue pedestal clock.
2. Completely rebuild the master clock inside the Country Folks Deli and relocate it to the Longview Room at the Longview Public Library.
3. Replace the existing master clock for the Country Folks Deli with a clock that reflects the period in history of the clock.

The Longview Public Service Group has agreed to be the fiscal agent and applicant for donations and grants for this project. Funds received will be entrusted to this group and they will collect revenues and pay the bills for the project with money that is raised for the project.

Longview Rotary has expressed interest in contributing \$5,000 toward this project. Mark McCrady has committed that he will contribute \$2,000 of in-kind volunteer labor to see this project through to fruition.

Mr. McCrady is requesting that the City allocate resources in the amount of \$7,000 to match the \$5,000 contribution from Rotary and the \$2,000 in-kind volunteer labor commitment he has offered to make this project a reality and to preserve for many years to come one the historic features R.A. Long gifted to the community.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Motion to allocate \$7,000 from the Capital Projects Fund as matching funds toward the refurbishment of the Commerce Avenue Street Clock project.

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