

Resolution No. 503

A resolution authorizing the City to proceed with timber sales on City-owned property and declaring the timber to be surplus property

Whereas, the City of Forks owns the Quillayute Airport and manages timber on the property for the purpose of funding airport operations;

Whereas, the City has been informed by its consultant that there is a viable market for some of the timber for which there had not been a market in the past few years;

Whereas, the sale of the identified stands on either side of the North-South Runway (UIL 12-30) could be of financial benefit to the City to be able to offer the sale of such timber;

Whereas, there are specific preparations, (i.e., permits, road use agreements, sales requirements, and environmental review) that must be completed in order to offer such City owned property for sale on a competitive bid basis;

Whereas, state law may require a formal resolution declaring the timber to be surplus, and to define any conditions of the sale;

Whereas, the Council believes that it is in the best interest of the City to proceed with the sale of the identified stands at the Quillayute Airport;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THAT:

1. The City Council acknowledges and approves the Mayor and Staff to submit the required permitting paperwork to the Department of Natural Resources to proceed as soon as possible with the sale of said timber;
2. Further, the Council authorizes the Mayor and Staff, in conjunction with the appropriate consultants as needed, to develop, permit, advertise, and manage timber sales for competitive bids associated with UIL 12-30;
3. Said timber specifically associated with this area is hereby declared as surplus to the City's use, the Council hereby determines that the best way to realize fair market value is to offer said timber, when determined by the Mayor and staff in consultation with appropriate local experts in the field, for sale via advertised sealed bid;
4. The Mayor and staff are authorized to solicit for, review and award service contracts necessary to aid in the development of any permits, assessments, easements, sales, etc., provided that such costs are charged to, and/or reimbursed by, the sale of the associated timber;
5. When a lump sum volume sale is utilized, the Clerk/Treasurer will be responsible for receiving the sealed bids, opening them, cataloging them, and determining the high bidder. As the sale manager, she is not permitted to submit a bid on said timber; nor are the managers assigned the responsibility of the property associated with the timber permitted to bid on said timber;
6. When a contract logging sale is proposed, the Mayor may enter into the necessary contracts associated with obtaining not only the permitting required for the sale, but also for sale management, provided that the City utilizes its applicable "Small Works Roster" for obtaining such services;

7. Sale proceeds will be used to first reimburse any outlaying costs associated with the development, permitting, advertisement and management of the sale of any such timber. Remaining funds will be deposited as revenue associated with the Quillayute Airport Fund from which the timber was harvested from and will not be intermixed with other funds;
8. The Mayor and Staff are required to comport all of their actions associated with the sale of this specific timber stand in accordance with applicable state laws and the requirements and authorizations found within Resolution No. 395;
9. Further, as has been the practice of the City, the award of a timber sale contract will only be made after the affirmative approval of the Forks City Council during a regularly scheduled meeting;
10. Part of the sales costs may include such costs as replanting, road access permits and/or spur road construction, and/or precommercial thinning. With regard to the Quillayute Airport, precommercial thinning costs will be assigned and associated with the proceeds of any sale of timber on said property. However, the award of any such precommercial thinning operation will be by competitive bid upon obtaining the necessary permits and with further input of the City Council.
11. Further, the Mayor and staff are authorized to take other actions necessary to fulfill the will and objective of the Council to offer such timber for sale pursuant to applicable state laws.
12. The City may also permit logging scrap and slash to be utilized by charitable organizations, who obtain written permission from the Mayor and applicable property manager, in efforts to aid the poor or infirm; and/or for education related purposes if no reasonable market can be found for such materials.

Passed this 28th day of February 2022 by the Forks City Council during a regularly scheduled meeting.



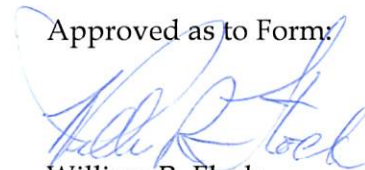
Tim Fletcher, Mayor

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Clerk/Treasurer

Approved as to Form:



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