

CLEARANCES	Initial	Date	Date Received in Council Office:	Agenda Date	Assigned To:
Originator- Council/Exec				1/7/92	Introduction
Division Head-				1/28/91	Consideration by Gov. Body
Department Head-					
Prosecutor Review-					
Purchasing/Budget Dir.-					
Executive-					

**SUBJECT:**

Resolution establishing bylaws for the governing body of the Point Roberts Transportation Benefit District

**ATTACHED OR ON FILE:**

Resolution

*Public Hearing Needed? Yes/\_\_\_/No/xx/*

**SUMMARY STATEMENT:** Members of the Whatcom County Council compose the governing body of the Point Roberts Transportation Benefit District. The District is a governmental entity separate from Whatcom County; actions of the governing body must be separate from actions of the County Council. One noticeable difference between the two separate entities is the method used to enact laws or regulations: While County laws are enacted by ordinance, District laws are enacted by resolution.

This resolution of the governing body sets forth the operating rules for the governing body in an attempt to clarify how actions will be publicized, what form they will be in, where the information will be filed, etc. An attempt was made to coordinate the procedures for the Council and the governing body, to avoid creating two separate systems for the staff to bear in mind.

**ORIGINATOR'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

The Council Clerk recommends that the Council convene a meeting of the Point Roberts Transportation Benefit District governing body, and that the governing body adopt the attached resolution.

**COMMITTEE ACTION (including dates):**

**COUNCIL ACTION (including dates):**

1/28/92: Resolution approved 7-0

Related File Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_ Ordinance or Resolution Number: R92-013

SPONSORED BY: Warner

PROPOSED BY: Council/Executive Staffs

INTRODUCTION DATE: 1/7/92

*A Resolution by the Governing Body for the  
Point Roberts Transportation Benefit District*

RESOLUTION NO. 92-013

ESTABLISHING BYLAWS FOR THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE POINT  
ROBERTS TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Whatcom County Council Members, acting ex officio and independently, compose the governing body of the Point Roberts Transportation Benefit District, as created by Whatcom County ordinance July 9, 1992 and as set forth in RCW 36.73; and

WHEREAS, it is convenient for the rules of procedure governing the Whatcom County Council in the performance of its regular duties to apply to the governing board of the Transportation Benefit District as well, to the extent possible; and

WHEREAS, the Council's attorney has determined it is necessary to separate the actions of the Transportation Benefit District from the actions of the County Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Point Roberts Transportation Benefit District Governing Body that the following will serve as bylaws for the Body:

1 Membership. Pursuant to RCW 36.73.020, Whatcom County Council members shall be the Governing Body of all transportation benefit districts created within Whatcom County. The Chairperson of the Whatcom County Council shall also serve as the Chairperson of the Governing Body (hereinafter referred to as the "Board").

2 Powers. Powers of the Board are as stipulated in RCW 36.73. Administration of the Transportation Benefit District shall be in accordance with RCW 36.73 and other applicable statutes.

3 Meetings. The Board will meet as often as there is business to conduct, and whenever possible the meetings will take place on the same dates scheduled for County Council meetings. Special meetings may be called by the chairperson as required, provided proper public notice and notice to Board members is given. Meetings of the Board and its advisory committee are subject to the state's Open Public Meetings Act.

4 Meetings -- Sturgis Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure. Board business shall be conducted pursuant to "Sturgis Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure," latest edition, except when in conflict with the standing rules of the Board.

5 Quorum. Requirements for a quorum of the board shall be the same as those for the County Council under Whatcom County Code 2.02.060.

