

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

RE: RE-ESTABLISHING THE LEWIS)
COUNTY LAW AND JUSTICE)
COUNCIL IN A NEW CHAPTER) ORD. 1200
TO THE LEWIS COUNTY CODE)

WHEREAS, RCW 72.09.300 requires every county to establish a local law and justice council; and

WHEREAS, re-establishment of a law and justice council would promote the coordination of law enforcement, legal, and correctional resources to address local civil and criminal justice matters; and

WHEREAS, the re-establishment of a law and justice council is required for the County to receive Criminal Justice Funds; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to establish a new law and justice council to serve Lewis County.

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Lewis County Board of County Commissioners, as follows;

SECTION 1.

A new chapter is created in the Lewis County Code, chapter 9.20, "Law and Justice Council," corresponding to the following provisions,

"Chapter 9.20

Law and Justice Council

Sections:

- 9.20.010 Establishment
- 9.20.020 Purpose
- 9.20.030 Composition - Members
- 9.20.040 Terms of Office.
- 9.20.050 Meetings.
- 9.20.060 Staff Support
- 9.20.070 Law and Justice Plan
- 9.20.080 Annual Report
- 9.20.090 Advisory Duties

2.19.010 Establishment

The Lewis County Law and Justice Council is created pursuant to RCW 72.09.300. This ordinance supercedes and repeals all prior measures regarding bodies established pursuant to RCW 72.09.300, including Resolution No. 91-360.

2.19.020 Purpose.

The purpose of the Law and Justice Council is to provide a permanent ongoing forum and structure to coordinate and enhance criminal justice agencies, programs and services in Lewis County. The Council shall operate as a consensus body.

2.19.030 Members.

The Law and Justice Council shall include the following designated officials:

- A. Lewis County Prosecuting Attorney;
- B. Lewis County Sheriff;
- C. Two representatives from the Lewis County Police Chief's Association; provided that one of the representatives shall be from the cities of Centralia or Chehalis;
- D. One representative from the group of public defense attorneys on contract with the Lewis County that will be appointed by the President of the Lewis County Bar Association;
- E. One representative of municipal prosecuting attorneys within the County, as selected by the cities;
- F. Two representatives of the municipal legislative authorities within the County, as selected by the mayors; provided that one of the representatives shall be from the city of Centralia or Chehalis;
- G. Lewis County Superior Court Clerk;
- H. The Presiding Judge of the Lewis County Superior Court;
- I. The Presiding Judge of the Lewis County District Court;
- J. Lewis County Juvenile Court Administrator;
- K. One representative of the municipal courts within the County as selected by the cities;
- L. Lewis County Jail Administrator;
- M. Lewis County Risk Manager;
- N. Secretary of the Washington State Department of Corrections;
- O. Lewis County Director of Central Services.
- P. One member of the Lewis County Board of Commissioners;
- Q. Two citizen representatives appointed by the Board of County Commissioners; and
- R. Three representatives of local providers of social services treatment, appointed by the Board of County Commissioners.

2.19.050 Terms of Office.

Notwithstanding other provisions of this code, terms of citizen representatives, social service treatment providers and other officials shall be four years; provided, that the terms of those first appointed shall be staggered so that six will be appointed for one year, six will be appointed for two years, six will be appointed for three years, and the remainder will be appointed for four years. Members may be reappointed. Members may be removed by the appointing authority. Except in the case of removal, each member shall continue to serve until a successor has been appointed.

2.19.060 Meetings.

Meetings of the Law and Justice Council shall be open and accessible to the public, as provided by law. The Council shall determine its own meeting schedule, but shall meet at least once each quarter. Written records shall be kept of meetings, resolutions, findings and recommendations, and such records shall be public. The Council shall establish permanent standing subcommittees including an Executive Board, a Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee and *ad hoc* task forces and committees as necessary. The Council shall elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson from among its members who shall preside at meetings. The Executive Board will appoint a Secretary.

A quorum for doing business shall be established by the presence of nine members or authorized designees. Designees shall have voting rights.

2.19.070 Staff Support.

The County and the cities therein may provide such staff and funding for the Council as is necessary for the Council to perform its duties.

2.19.080 Law and Justice Plan.

The Law and Justice Council shall develop a law and justice plan for Lewis County. The plan shall include performance objectives and priorities, estimated costs, and schedules for completion of activities. Upon completion of the plan, the Law and Justice Council shall transmit it to the Board of County Commissioners and the municipal authorities of all the cities in the County. Upon approval by the County Commissioners and the municipal authorities of all the cities in the county, the plan shall be the Law and Justice Plan for Lewis County. The Law and Justice Council shall regularly review and adjust the plan as changing circumstance require, and shall recommend such changes as it finds appropriate to the Board of County Commissioners and the municipal authorities of all the cities in the county for approval.

2.19.090 Annual Report.

The Law and Justice Council shall deliver a formal report of progress toward attainment of performance objectives and completion of planned activities at least annually to the Board of County Commissioners and to the County community at large.

2.19.100 Advisory Duties.

The Law and Justice Council may also advise the County Commissioners and municipal authorities and make such recommendations as it deems appropriate on matters relating to the law and justice in Lewis County."

SECTION 2. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become immediately effective upon adoption.

SECTION 4. Severability.

If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance or amendment thereto, or its application to any person or circumstance, is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remainder or application to other persons or circumstances shall not be effected.

PASSED IN REGULAR SESSION this 16th day of June, 2008, after a public hearing was held pursuant to notice published in the East County Journal on the 4 day of June, 2008.

ATTEST:

Karri Mui
Clerk of the Board



APPROVED AS TO FORM:
MICHAEL GOLDEN,
Prosecuting Attorney

By: Douglas Ruth
Douglas Ruth, Civil Deputy

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS COUNTY WASHINGTON

[Signature]
Chairman

[Signature]
Member

ABSENT
Member

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners of Lewis County, Washington will conduct a public hearing to consider the adoption of the proposed ordinance regarding reestablishment of a law and justice council.

The public hearing will be held as follows:

DATE: Monday, June 16, 2008

TIME: on or after 10:00 am

PLACE: Board of County Commissioners Hearing Room, 2nd Floor, Lewis County Courthouse, 351 NW North Street, Chehalis, Washington.

The provisions of the proposed ordinance are summarized as follows:

A law and justice council, as in described in RCW 72.09.300, is created for the County.

Eighteen representatives and elected officials are designated as members of the Council.

The initial term of office for the members will be two, four, or six years to staggered appointments, but thereafter all members shall have four year terms.

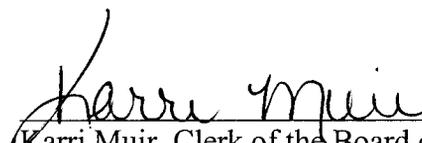
The Council will have a chairperson and a vice-chairperson. The Council will hold open meetings at least once every three months.

The Council shall develop a law and justice plan for Lewis County subject to approval by the Board of County Commissioners and all municipalities in the County. The plan shall include performance objectives and priorities, estimated costs, and schedules for completion of activities.

The Council may also advise the County Commissioners and municipal authorities on matters relating to the law and justice in Lewis County.

Copies of the draft ordinance are available without charge from the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, 351 N. Market Blvd., Chehalis, WA 98532-2626 (Phone: (360) 740-1419).

DATED this 2nd day of May, 2008



Karri Muir, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

DATE OF PUBLICATION: June 4, 2008

BOCC AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

(revised 5-17-01)

AGENDA ITEM #: _____ RESOLUTION #: _____ BOCC MEETING DATE: 6-2-08

SUGGESTED WORDING FOR AGENDA ITEM: Notice Consent Discussion Hearing

Notice of Hearing to adopt Ordinance 1200 regarding re establishment of a law and justice council.

BRIEF REASON FOR BOCC ACTION:

Ordinance will re-establish the law and justice council

SUBMITTED BY: PHONE: DATE SUBMITTED:
Doug Ruth _____

CONTACT PERSON WHO WILL ATTEND BOCC MEETING: _____

TYPE OF ACTION NEEDED:

- Approve Resolution
- Approve Ordinance (Traffic or other)
- Execute Contract / Agreement
- Other (please describe): _____
- Call for Bids / Proposals
- Bid Opening
- Notice for Public Hearing *(see Publication Requirements)

*PUBLICATION REQUIREMENTS: Resolution e-mailed to Clerk Not applicable

Hearing Date: June 16, 2008 (Must be at least 10 days after first publication date)

Publish Date(s): June 4, 2008 (2 weeks for routine budget, property disposal / auction or vacations / 3 weeks for property lease)

Publication(s): EAST COUNTY JOURNAL CHRONICLE OTHER: _____

ALL AGENDA ITEMS:

Department Director / Head: _____

Chief Administrative Officer: _____

Prosecuting Attorney: _____

EMPLOYEE ITEMS: (relating to employment, salary, position, reclassification, union, etc.)

Human Resource Coordinator: _____

**APPROVALS MUST
BE OBTAINED
BEFORE
SUBMITTING ITEM
TO BOCC CLERK**

BANKING OR REVENUE ITEMS:

Treasurer: _____

BUDGET AND PAYROLL ITEMS:

Chief Accountant: _____

Fund: _____

Department: _____

Total Amount: \$ _____

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I have received.

Thanks, Kaye

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To: dpilegals@devaulpublishing.com

Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2008 8:47 AM

Subject: Legal Notice

Hi Kaye,

Please publish on June 4, 2008.

Please let me know you have received this.

Thank you,
Karri

Karri Muir
Clerk of the Board
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