

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

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PROPOSED ACTION     )  
TO ADOPT A NEW SECTION TO TITLE 10 OF LEWIS     )  
COUNTY CODE SPECIFYING EXCEPTIONS TO THE     )  
REQUIREMENT TO MARK COUNTY VEHICLES            )**     **RESOLUTION NO. 14-328**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a public hearing will be held by the Lewis County Board of Commissioners in the hearing room at 351 NW North Street, Chehalis, Washington on January 5, 2015 at or after 10:00 am; and

**WHEREAS**, public notice of said hearing is required by law;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the purpose of the public hearing is to take public testimony or written comment concerning a proposed ordinance specifying exceptions to the requirement in state law to mark vehicles operated by local government agencies on public highways or used by local government agencies in the conduct of public business.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Clerk of the Board is hereby instructed to proceed with all appropriate and necessary notifications, posting and publication as required by law.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a hearing is hereby scheduled for January 5, 2015 to take public testimony or written comment on the adoption of an ordinance adding a section to Title 10 of the Lewis County Code specifying exceptions to the requirement of state law to mark vehicles operated by local government agencies on public highways or used by local government agencies in the conduct of public business. The exceptions are for vehicles used: for law enforcement purposes, confidential public health work, public assistance or fraud or support investigative purposes, pursuant to lease by the county on a casual basis for periods of less than ninety days, and pursuant to grant by the Director of Motor Vehicles for use with confidential plates for necessary personal security of a county officer or employee. Final Board of County Commissioners' action will take place following the public hearing.

**PASSED IN REGULAR SESSION** by the Board of County Commissioners this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2014.

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
JONATHAN MEYER, PROS. ATTORNEY**

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

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**NOTICE OF BOCC PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND INTENT TO ADOPT PROPOSED ORDINANCE ADDING NEW SECTION TO LEWIS COUNTY CODE TITLE 10 RELATING TO UNMARKED COUNTY VEHICLES**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the **LEWIS COUNTY BOCC**, will hold a public hearing to receive public testimony regarding a proposal to add a section to Title 10 of the Lewis County Code specifying exceptions to the requirement in state law to mark vehicles operated by local government agencies on public highways or used by local government agencies in the conduct of public business on January 5, 2015 on or after 10:00 am.

At the hearing, members of the public will be invited to speak and/or provide written statements regarding the proposed Ordinance 1257. After the public testimony portion of the hearing has ended, the BOCC will deliberate and consider proposed Ordinance 1257 along with the public testimony. Proposed Ordinance 1257 may then be adopted with or without modification.

The hearing will address the addition of a new chapter 36 to Lewis County Code Title 10 that has been recommended by the Lewis County Prosecuting Attorney's Office and the Lewis County Sheriff's Office. The proposed section LCC 10.36.010(A) implements the authority granted by the Legislature to the BOCC to adopt exceptions to the requirement in RCW 46.08.065 that the county mark all vehicles used or operated by the county. The proposed, new section provides that all county vehicles shall be marked in accordance with RCW 46.08.065, with the exception of vehicles used: for law enforcement purposes (limited to vehicles assigned to the county sheriff's department, the county jail, the county prosecuting attorney's office, and the county juvenile court services); confidential public health work; public assistance fraud or support investigative purposes; pursuant to lease by the county on a casual basis for period of less than ninety days; and pursuant to grant by the Director of Motor Vehicles for use with confidential plates for necessary personal security of a county officer or employee. The proposed section LCC 10.36.010(B) reserves to the BOCC the right to determine whether county vehicles are used for purposes listed in the exceptions enacted in LCC 10.36.010.

All persons wishing to be heard on this matter are encouraged to attend. Written comments may be submitted in advance of the hearing by mail or at the hearing by delivery in person. Please deliver copies of all written copies to the Clerk of the Board, Lewis County Board of County Commissioners at 351 NW North Street, Chehalis, WA 98532.

The draft ordinance is available on line at the Lewis County website at <http://lewiscountywa.gov> Hard copies are available for review at the Lewis County Commissioners Office at 351 Northwest North St. Room 210, Chehalis, WA 98532.

For questions regarding the above, please contact Glenn Carter, Chief Civil Prosecuting Attorney, at 360-740-2767.

*This meeting site is barrier free.*

*People needing special assistance or accommodations should contact The Commissioners' Office 72 hours in advance of the meeting.*

*Phone: (360) 740-1120*

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