

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-76

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF RICHLAND, WASHINGTON,
SUPPORTING TRI-CITIES C.A.R.E.S. AS INTERVENOR IN THE
HORSE HEAVEN WIND FARM PROJECT ADJUDICATION.**

WHEREAS, on February 8, 2021, the State of Washington Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC) received an Application for a Site Certification (ASC) from Horse Heaven Wind Farm, LLC proposing the construction and operation of the Horse Heaven Wind Farm Project consisting of 244 wind turbines, two (2) solar arrays, and two (2) battery storage systems; and

WHEREAS, on February 1, 2023, Richland Mayor Terry Christensen, on behalf of the Richland City Council, signed and delivered a letter to EFSEC opposing the project; and

WHEREAS, the Tri-Cities Community Action for Responsible Environmental Stewardship (C.A.R.E.S.), a local 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization incorporated under the laws of the state of Washington, has been granted Intervenor status in the EFSEC Adjudication to represent the interests of Tri-Cities residents; and

WHEREAS, the interests of the Richland City Council and Tri-Cities C.A.R.E.S. are aligned regarding the proposed Horse Heaven Wind Farm Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Richland that the City Council formally recognizes and supports Tri-Cities C.A.R.E.S. as Intervenor in the Horse Heaven Wind Farm Project for purposes of EFSEC Adjudication (permitting).

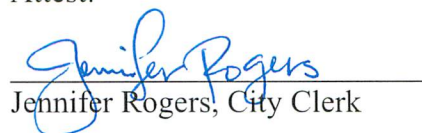
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor Christensen is authorized to execute letters of support on behalf of Tri-Cities C.A.R.E.S. upon request.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

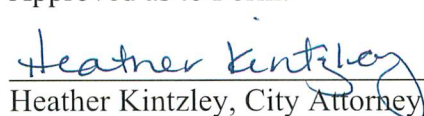
ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Richland, Washington, at a regular meeting on the 6th day of June, 2023.


Terry Christensen, Mayor

Attest:


Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:


Heather Kintzley, City Attorney