SECOND AMENDMENT TO INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF TRI-CITY REGIONAL TOURISM PROMOTION AREA PROVIDING FOR THE INCREASE IN THE LEVY OF THE SPECIAL LODGING ASSESSMENT ON LODGING BUSINSESS WITHIN THE TRI-CITY REGIONAL TOURISM PROMOTION AREA

BY THIS SECOND AMENDMENT to that Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Establishment of Tri-City Regional Promotion Area dated the 1st day of June, 2004, entered into by and among the City of Kennewick, the City of Pasco, and the City of Richland, Washington, the parties agree to the following:

WHEREAS, the Special Lodging Assessment was established in 2004 at \$1.50 per night of stay; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, by Resolution received from the Tri-City Regional Hotel-Motel Commission, the Commission recommended an increase in the Special Lodging Assessment from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per night of stay as permitted by RCW 35.101.050; and

WHEREAS, on October 17, 2013 the City of Kennewick, City of Pasco, and the City of Richland, formally approved the increase in the Special Lodging Assessment from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per day, which has since that time remained unchanged, and in doing so the cities amended the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Establishment of Tri-City Regional Promotion Area to reflect that change; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, the Washington Legislature approved the amendment of RCW 35.101 by adding RCW 35.101.057 which allows for an increase in the Special Lodging Assessment in excess of the prior limit of two dollars per night of stay allowing up to an additional three dollars per night of stay, upon receipt of signatures of the persons who operate lodging businesses who would pay sixty percent or more of the proposed charges; and

WHEREAS, a proposal was made to increase the Special Lodging Assessment from \$2.00 to \$3.00 per day of stay as permitted by RCW 35.101.057 and the Tri-City Regional Hotel-Motel Commission has received the requisite signatures as well as the proposed uses and projects to which the proposed revenue from the additional charge shall be put, the total estimate costs, and the estimated rate for the charge as required by RCW 35.101.057; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution received from the Tri-City Regional Hotel-Motel Commission, the Commission is recommending an increase in the Special Lodging Assessment from \$2.00 to \$3.00 per night of stay as permitted by RCW 35.101.057; and

WHEREAS, the increase of the Special Lodging Assessment can only be enacted upon the approval of all of the cities, and amendment of the respective Ordinances establishing the assessment by a majority plus one of each of the City Councils.

Second Amendment to Interlocal Cooperation Agreement - 1 NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the cities agree as follows:

- 1. That Section 3.A of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement shall be and hereby is amended and shall read as follows.
 - 3. Levy of Special Lodging Assessments on Lodging Businesses within the Tri-City Regional Tourism Promotion Area.
 - A. The City Council of each of the Cities shall levy a Special Lodging Assessment on the Operators of Lodging Businesses within their jurisdictions uniformly throughout the Tri-City Regional Tourism Promotion Area as follows:

Classification A:

\$3.00

Classification B:

\$ -0-

2. All remaining terms, sections, subsections, and conditions of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Establishment of the Tri-City Regional Tourism Promotion Area, dated the 1st day of June, 2004, including all prior amendments thereof, not inconsistent herewith, shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

CITY OF KENNEWICK

By:

10-20-2020

Don Britain, Mayor

Attest:

Terri I Wright CMC City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Lisa Beaton, City Attorney

CITY OF PASCO

By:

Saul Martinez, Mayor

Attest:

Debby Barham, City Clerk

Second Amendment to

Interlocal Cooperation Agreement - 2

Approved as to form:

Eric W Perguson, City Attorney

CITY OF RICHLAND

By:

Ryan Lukson, Mayor

Attest:

Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Heather Kintzley, City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 145-20

A RESOLUTION of the City of Richland authorizing a Second Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement establishing the Tri-City Regional Tourism Promotion Area.

WHEREAS, in 2004, the cities of Richland, Pasco and Kennewick (the "Cities") formed a Tri-City Regional Tourism Promotion Area (TPA) through interlocal agreement, and established a Special Lodging Tax Assessment at \$1.50 per night of stay (see Contract No. 101-04); and

WHEREAS, in October 2013, the SPA rate was increased to \$2.00, and has remained unchanged since that time; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution received by the Tri-City Regional Hotel-Motel Commission, the Commission is recommending an increase in the Special Lodging Assessment from \$2.00 to \$3.00 per night of stay as permitted by RCW 35.101.050; and

WHEREAS, the SPA increase can occur only upon approval of all of the Cities, and with amendment to each city's respective ordinance establishing the assessment; and

WHEREAS, amendment of the interlocal agreement forming the Tri-City Regional TPA to reflect the \$1.00 increase is also required.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Richland that the City Manager is authorized to sign and execute the Second Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement establishing a Tri-City Regional Promotion Tourism Area.

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 3rd day of November, 2020.

Ryan Lukson, Mayor

Attest:

Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Heather Kintzley, City Attorney