## **RESOLUTION NO. 23-53**

A RESOLUTION OF THE KITSAP TRANSIT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZING STAFF TO ENTER INTO A FOURTH ADDENDUM TO THE CONTRACT FOR GENERAL LEGAL COUNSEL SERVICES WITH KITSAP LAW GROUP FOR A TERM ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

**WHEREAS,** Kitsap Transit retained the law firm of Templeton Horton Weibel PLLC dba Kitsap Law Group in September 2015 through adoption of Resolution No. 15-63; and

**WHEREAS,** the amended contract approved by Resolution No. 21-43 will expire September 30, 2023; and

**WHEREAS,** the terms of the contract allow renewal for additional annual terms with express written consent of the parties; and

**WHEREAS,** Kitsap Law Group provided an addendum that extends the contract for an additional two-year period ending September 30, 2025 with no rate increase; and

**WHEREAS,** staff has performed due diligence with other local agencies and finds rates proposed as fair and reasonable; and

**WHEREAS,** Kitsap Transit continues to be involved with substantial projects requiring regular legal assistance and contributions; and

**WHEREAS,** staff recommends renewing the contract with Kitsap Law Group to maintain consistent knowledge base and efficiencies in moving forward with these projects, along with others, and general legal counsel in day-to-day operations.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Kitsap Transit Board of Commissioners hereby authorize and direct staff to renew the contract for General Legal Counsel with Kitsap Law Group with the term ending September 30, 2025.

ADOPTED by the Kitsap Transit Board of Commissioners of at a regular

meeting held on the 5th day of September 2023.

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Rebecca Erickson, Chairperson

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Jackie Bidon, Interim, Clerk of the Board