

Thurston County Commissioners
June 8, 1998
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4) **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE ITEM**

AGENDA ITEM: Establish a Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (**LTAC**) and appoint members.

PRESENTER: Linda Hoffman, Chief Administrative Officer.

DISCUSSION: The purpose of the Committee is to consider and advise the Board of County Commissioners on a proposal to impose an additional 2% hotel/motel tax. The 1998 Legislature authorized counties and cities to impose the additional 2% tax for purposes of promoting tourism, and acquisition and operation of tourism related facilities. The Committee must include at least five members including a county commissioner, (who will serve as chairman) two members representing business required to pay the tax, and two members representing tourism businesses or activities. The Committee will consider whether and if so, how, the additional 2% tax will support or promote tourism in Thurston County.

MOTION: Commissioner Wilson moved to establish a five member Lodging Tax Advisory Committee and appoint the following members to the Committee: Commissioner Judy Wilson, (to serve as Advisory Committee Chairman); Sandra Miller, Ramada Inn Governor House and Olympia/Thurston County Chamber of Commerce; Ted Heck, American Heritage Campground; Virgil Clarkson, Thurston County Fair Board; and Jim Burri, Capital Lakefair. Commissioner Oberquell seconded the motion. Motion carried.