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Whether it's a casino, truck stop or discount outlet mall, County and Cowlitz preparing

Clark County commissioners will make official a proposed agreement between the county and the Cowlitz Indian Tribe at a public hearing at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10.

Under consideration for development by the tribe for its 150-acre site on I-5 near the La Center junction are a casino, truck stop, discount outlet mall or all three.

Whatever development decisions are to be made, they will be for the economic benefit of the tribe, according to **John Barnett**, tribal chair.

Nothing will happen, however, until the U.S. Department of Interior and Bureau of Indian Affairs approve the Cowlitz's application to make the property an official Indian reservation.

When that is accomplished, it would mean the land being held in trust for the tribe would be under tribal jurisdiction as a sovereign nation and not subject to any other law.

However, the memorandum of understanding as drafted spells out agreements among the tribe, Clark County and municipalities in the county, and the state that would as seamlessly as possible integrate and pay for municipal services including law and justice, water and sewer, streets and highways, and repay the county and state for any loss property taxes.

In addition, a provision is included that, in the event a casino were developed, 2 percent of the gross profit would be turned over to the county.

The proposed agreement and related material can be found at www.clark.wa.gov/general/commiss.htm.

Presidential candidates' pictures and websites are on Daily Insider website

Washington Democrats at the precinct level on Saturday, Feb. 7, will be selecting presidential candidates and delegates to the state Democratic convention, a process that will determine who the state will support at the national Democratic convention this summer.

Information on how a Democrat can participate in the precinct caucuses can be found on the *Daily Insider* website, www.dailyinsider.info.

In addition, links to the official websites of the seven current contenders is also on the *Insider* website. Although President **George W. Bush** has no competition for nomination as the Republican's presidential candidate, a link to his website also appears on the website.

Links and pictures can be found down the far right column on the screen.

State website that provides business assistance launched

The state Office of Regulatory Assistance, created by the state legislature last year, has opened a website making it easier for businesses and citizens to access state government regulations, permitting requirements and rule-making procedures.

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Launched today, www.ora.wa.gov offers links to state agencies and regulatory offices and provides information on almost every area of governmental-business regulation.

A link to the website is also posted on the *Daily Insider* website.

Fort Vancouver Tapestry Project coming to end of 100,000 hours of stitching

The Fort Vancouver Tapestry Project founded by **Eleanor Van de Water** and **Sherry Moffatt** in 1999 will be completed early in 2005, after more than 100,000 hours of stitching by over 40 volunteers.

Currently the organization is in the process of expanding its five-member board of directors to nine members as it prepares to find a permanent location for the 108-foot long long-wool on linen narrative tapestry depicting Vancouver's history.

Moffatt, managing and artistic director for the project, says the completed tapestry will be mounted within the Vancouver National Historic Reserve. But, she adds, the transition to completed piece requires new leadership and expertise.

Persons interested in applying for membership on the board should call Moffatt at **992-0975**.

News brief

The 42nd annual Clark College Jazz Festival continues today and Saturday in Gaiser Hall on the college campus. Fifty-two jazz bands and fourteen jazz vocal ensembles are competing from Washington and Oregon high schools. Tickets are \$5 a day. For further information, call **Chuck Ramsey**, **992-2188**, or **992-2662**.

Friday on the Air

Vancouver Symphony: "French Connection"—4:30 p.m. CVTV

Clark County Close Up—6:30 p.m. CVTV

Animal Control Hearings (1/15)—7 p.m. CVTV

Portland Winter Hawks at Seattle (live)—7 p.m. KUPL

Gonzaga at University of Portland (live)—7:30 p.m. FSN< KKAD

Telecommunications Commission (1/21)—9 p.m. CVTV

City Minutes—11:30 p.m. CVTV

Stocks of local interest at 4 p.m. EST Friday, Jan. 23, 2004

Alaska Air Group	28.82	-.09	Linear Technology	40.85	-.46
Alcoa	35.40	-1.03	Microsoft	28.48	+4.7
Amazon.com	57.11	-.07	Nautilus	16.95	+1.10
Bank of America	81.27	-.43	Nike	69.58	-.09
Bank of Clark County	20.00	unch	Nordstrom	39.64	+1.29
Bemis	46.96	-1.08	PepsiCo	46.55	+0.1
Boeing	41.85	-1.05	Precision Cast	48.75	-.14
Boise Cascade	33.00	-.40	RLRN	28.16	+0.56
CenturyTel	31.63	-1.17	Starbucks	35.88	+1.15
Costco	37.35	+85	TSM	11.00	-.34
Expeditors Intl.	38.52	+1.7	Tektronix	30.51	-.54
Georgia Pacific	29.15	-.90	US Bancorp	28.06	+2.0
HPQ	25.30	-.19	Wash. Mutual	43.95	+98
Intel	31.75	+1.12	W. Coast Bancorp	21.75	+2.1
Kvocera	73.30	-1.03	Weverhaeuser	63.26	-3.33
DOW: 10,565.26 -57.92		NASDAQ: 2120.31 +1.3		S&P: 1140.96 -2.98	

Town Tabloids and The Weather

Zulfi Ali keeping voice mail working, sometimes without electricity. ☺☺☺	Acapulco	89/70
Jim Reed kept lines of communication open. ☺☺☺	Athens	30/21
Larry Clark promising town hall. ☺☺☺	Chicago	20/14
Larry Vasquez took on personal shopper role. ☺☺☺	Dallas	60/51
Linda Gellings passing on praise. ☺☺☺	Hong Kong	55/44
Friday , dense clouds, dense rain 48. Saturday , cloudy, moist, possible sunbreaks, 44. Sunday , cool, gray, but no snow, 40.	Los Angeles	72/48
	London	50/41
	New Orleans	60/49
	New York	22/14
	Orlando	63/39
	Paris	44/36
	Phoenix	63/47
	Rome	36/25
	Seattle	48/38
	Sydney	78/65
	Tokyo	42/30
	Washington	28/20