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Chelan County Hearing Examiner Upholds Tuscan Village Approval *City of Chelan Request for Reconsideration Denied*

Chelan-On November 16th, the Chelan County Hearing Examiner approved the plan for Tuscan Village to move forward. The City of Chelan filed a request for reconsideration of the approval, and today, the Chelan County Hearing Examiner upheld his decision to approve the Tuscan Village development plan.

Tuscan Village is a sustainable, environmentally responsible mixed-use development on the South Shore of Lake Chelan.

"We are very pleased with this latest decision and believe that it is a victory for our environment, our economy, and the future of the entire Chelan Valley," said Bob Jankelson, principal of Tuscan Village. "The decision allows the Tuscan project to proceed as an environmentally "green" project that will conserve millions of gallons of lake water every year."

Today's ruling by the Chelan County Hearing Examiner also confirms that all environmental concerns were addressed in the Hearing Examiners original Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

"We are beginning the next steps of working with the County on a development agreement," said Sandy Mackie, legal representative for Tuscan Village.

Meanwhile, the principals of Tuscan Village are assembling the best and brightest consultants and planners and are moving forward with designing a world-class development that is good for the environment and good for the economy of Lake Chelan.

Tuscan Village will promote responsible development while preserving the precious water resources of Lake Chelan- saving several millions of gallons of water annually by utilizing the latest technologies in water conservation. The project also promotes responsible environmental stewardship through organic and sustainable agriculture and this Built Green® community will maximize resource conservation and energy efficiency.

Tuscan Village will have a tremendous and positive impact on the local economy. During build-out, the project will create a significant number of new family-wage local construction jobs and, once completed, Tuscan Village will be a major employer in the hospitality job-market in the region. Tuscan Village will also contribute to the local economy through the payment of property, sales, lodging, and hospitality taxes. These taxes will support local schools, utilities, roads, parks and community centers.

"We are moving forward," said Jankelson. "And we are excited about the future of Tuscan Village."

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