

JANEEN SOLLMAN
STATE REPRESENTATIVE
DISTRICT 30



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 7, 2021

Joint Ways and Means Committee, Subcommittee on Capital Construction

**RE: SB 5534, Support for City of North Plains Public Works/Emergency Operations Center
(PW/EOC)**

Co-Chair Girod, Co-Chair Holvey and Members of the Committee:

The City of North Plains (pop 3,600) is located on Highway 26 and resides in the Cascadia Subduction Zone. A large portion of the City, including most of the residential and commercial areas lie within my district, House District 30. According to PSU, North Plains is the fastest growing community in Washington County (projected 5.4% annual through 2040). The 2,870 sf North Plains City Hall currently contains all general City staff, all Department Directors, the Police Department, and Public Works Department. The latter includes workstations inside City Hall, as well as 6000 square feet in combined space for a utility shed and uncovered equipment lot. City Hall also functions as the current Emergency Operations Center. They have completely outgrown this small space, and the City completed a Civic Facilities Assessment in 2020 in order to expand City Hall and the Library, and to move all Public Works and Emergency Management functions to a new location. This request is aimed at completing Phase I of the facilities expansion by migrating Public Works/Emergency Operations Center out of the current site.

The City of North Plains is seeking \$5 million in Lottery Bond funds for this project which totals \$6.26 million. The remaining \$1.26 million will be made in matching funds. I urge your support to grant their request. Please reach out if you need any further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janeen Sollman".

State Representative
House District 30