

# **Whatcom County Council**

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
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## **Meeting Agenda**

**Tuesday, August 9, 2022**

**6 PM**

**Hybrid Meeting**

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360.778.5010) - AGENDA REVISED 8.8.2022**

### **COUNCILMEMBERS**

Barry Buchanan  
Tyler Byrd  
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Ben Elenbaas  
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Kaylee Galloway  
Kathy Kershner

### **CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

## COUNTY COUNCIL

### CALL TO ORDER

### ROLL CALL

### FLAG SALUTE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

### MINUTES CONSENT

1. [MIN2022-047](#) Special Council for July 19, 2022
2. [MIN2022-048](#) Committee of the Whole for July 26, 2022
3. [MIN2022-049](#) Regular County Council for July 26, 2022
4. [MIN2022-050](#) Joint Health Board and PHAB for Aug 2, 2022

### PUBLIC HEARINGS

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1. [AB2022-380](#) Ordinance granting Cascade Natural Gas Corporation a franchise for the transportation of natural gas in Whatcom County

2. [AB2022-425](#) Ordinance temporarily amending Whatcom County Code Section 11.20.025, flotation devices on the South fork of the Nooksack River, to better protect ESA-listed Chinook salmon

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON THIS PUBLIC HEARING MAY BE APPLIED TO THE NEXT AGENDA ITEM, AB2022-417**

3. [AB2022-417](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Section 11.20.025, flotation devices on the South fork of the Nooksack River, to better protect ESA-listed Chinook salmon

### **OPEN SESSION**

**During open session, audience members may speak to the council on issues not scheduled for public hearing. To participate, please see instructions at [www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil](http://www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil) or contact the Council Office at 360.778.5010. All speakers are asked to state their name for the record and optionally include city of residence. When a large group of individuals supports the same position on an issue, we encourage the selection of one or two representatives to speak on behalf of the entire group. Speakers will be given three minutes to address the Council and will be notified when their three minutes are up. Speakers participating on-site in the Council Chambers will speak first, followed by those participating remotely.**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Items under this section of the agenda may be considered in a single motion. Councilmembers have received and studied background material on all items. Committee review has taken place on these items, as indicated. Any member of the public, administrative staff, or council may ask that an item be considered separately.**

**(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)**

1. [AB2022-370](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Commerce for refugee stabilization services in the amount of \$250,000
2. [AB2022-415](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a residential lease agreement between Whatcom County and Jarek Olivetti and Roxanne Martin to reside at 677 North Lake Samish Road, for a monthly rent of \$1,709
3. [AB2022-418](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the Point Roberts Park & Recreation District No. 1, for use of Lighthouse Marine Park to operate a kayak rental program
4. [AB2022-421](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between Whatcom County and Snohomish County for the use of up to 45 Snohomish County jail beds in the amount of \$1,200,000.00

5. [AB2022-424](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to build a health, resource, and service navigation system that will provide timely connection of parents and children, pre-natal to five years, to a range of protective and supportive services, in the amount of \$207,350 for a total amended contract amount of \$285,147
6. [AB2022-433](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and ESA to implement the Coastal and Riverine Compound Flood Vulnerability and Risk Assessment project, in the amount of \$ 100,000.00
7. [AB2022-436](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interagency Agreement Amendment between Whatcom County and the Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts to increase reimbursements of Blake decision legal costs by \$787,751 for a total amended amount of \$2,578,372
8. [AB2022-438](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and the Washington State Department of Health for the delivery and funding of various public health services in the amount of \$2,651,000, for a total amended agreement amount of \$9,430,654
9. [AB2022-439](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Abatement and Decontamination Specialists to remediate the threat of public health hazards on properties with long-term solid waste violations, in the amount of \$50,000
10. [AB2022-445](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Kulshan Community Land Trust to support acquisition of land for affordable housing, in the amount of \$1,250,746.60
11. [AB2022-446](#) Request approval for the County Executive to award Bid #22-14 Rental Rates for Construction Equipment Without Operator to all bidders with the award for each vendor not to exceed \$100,000.00
12. [AB2022-448](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interagency Agreement between Whatcom County and the Washington Administrative Office of the Courts for reimbursement of expenses relating to the Uniform Guardianship Act, in the amount of \$58,428

## **OTHER ITEMS**

### **(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)**

1. [AB2022-408](#) Ordinance amending the 2022 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 11, in the amount of \$250,000

2. [AB2022-423](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and the United States Department of Interior, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) to jointly fund continued stream gaging stations in the Nooksack River, in the amount of \$ 98,502.00 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)
3. [AB2022-442](#) Resolution in the matter of the sale of surplus personal property and setting a date for public hearing, pursuant to WCC 1.10
4. [AB2022-447](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Amendment of the Economic Development Investment Program Interlocal Grant Agreement between Whatcom County and Port of Bellingham for the Rural Broadband construction project
5. [AB2022-449](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to operate the Whatcom Homeless Service Center in the amount of \$282,239 for a total amended contract amount of \$2,507,248
6. [AB2022-450](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interlocal Grant Agreement between Whatcom County and Port of Bellingham for additional EDI funding to support the rural broadband project, in the amount of \$2,000,000

**(From Council Public Works and Health Committee)**

7. [AB2022-427](#) Ordinance amending Ordinance 2020-079 to change the due date of the Phase III Report of the Child and Family Well-Being Task Force

**(From Council Planning and Development Committee)**

8. [AB2022-440](#) Request for a Motion to grant the City of Bellingham notice to proceed in applying for a Major Project Permit for their Umbrella Mitigation Bank

**(From Council Committee of the Whole)**

9. [AB2022-422](#) Resolution establishing priorities for Whatcom County's 2025 Comprehensive Plan update

**CONFIRMATION OF EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS,  
COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES**

Per Whatcom County Code 2.03.070(B), the council must confirm or reject executive appointments within 30 days of submission to the council. County code deems the appointee confirmed if council does not take action within this time.

1. [AB2022-437](#) Request confirmation of the County Executive's appointment of Dennis Holloran to the Whatcom County Appeals Board

**ITEMS ADDED BY REVISION****INTRODUCTION ITEMS**

**Council action will not be taken. The council may accept these items for introduction (no action) in a single motion. Changes, in terms of committee assignment for example, may be made at this time.**

1. [AB2022-435](#) Ordinance amending the 2022 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 12, in the amount of \$4,068,703
2. [AB2022-451](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Chapter 5.04, Ambulance Franchises, to address diversity, equity, and inclusion on the EMS Oversight Board and EMS Technical Advisory Committee and to define the process and elements of an EMS Levy Service Plan
3. [AB2022-431](#) Resolution vacating an unnamed alley within the Plat of Lummi Park on Lummi Island
4. [AB2022-434](#) Resolution amending the Flood Control Zone District & Subzones 2022 budget, request no. 5, in the amount of \$78,598 (Council acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)
5. [AB2022-443](#) Resolution authorizing the sale of personal property, pursuant to WCC 1.10

**ITEM ADDED 8.8.2022**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES****ADJOURN**