

# **Whatcom County Council**

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

**VIRTUAL MEETING - VIEW ONLINE; AGENDA REVISED 1.26.2021**

**Tuesday, January 26, 2021**

**6 PM**

**Virtual Meeting**

### **COUNCILMEMBERS**

Rud Browne  
Barry Buchanan  
Tyler Byrd  
Todd Donovan  
Ben Elenbaas  
Carol Frazey  
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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The County is accepting applications from county residents to fill vacancies on several boards, commissions, and committees spanning a wide range of important local issues. For more information, visit the Boards and Commissions vacancy webpage on the County website at [www.co.whatcom.wa.us](http://www.co.whatcom.wa.us), or call the County Council office or County Executive's Office.

### COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

### MINUTES CONSENT

1. [MIN2021-002](#) Committee of the Whole - Executive Session for January 12, 2021
2. [MIN2021-003](#) Committee of the Whole for January 12, 2021
3. [MIN2021-004](#) Special Council for January 12, 2021

### OPEN SESSION (20 MINUTES)

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 should state their name for the record and optionally include city of residence. Speakers will be given three minutes to address the Council. Council staff will keep track of time limits and inform speakers when they have thirty seconds left to conclude their comments.

### 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. [AB2021-035](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Whatcom Land Trust to monitor and enforce easements purchased through the Purchase of Development Rights Program

2. [AB2021-038](#) Request authorization to sign agreement with Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office in order to secure matching funds for the acquisition of an agricultural conservation easement on the Bishop-Jones property through the Purchase of Development Rights Program
3. [AB2021-039](#) Request authorization to sign agreement with Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office in order to secure matching funds for the acquisition of an agricultural conservation easement on the Rethlefsen property through the Purchase of Development Rights Program
4. [AB2021-047](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Everson for Jail Work Crew Services in the amount of \$1,700.00
5. [AB2021-048](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Skagit County for Mini-Chain Services in the amount of \$177,725.00
6. [AB2021-055](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Spiralfx Interactive LLC for Electronic Medical Records in the amount of \$19,200.00
7. [AB2021-060](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Wilson Engineering LLC to provide on-call professional land surveying services for 2021 in the amount not to exceed \$100,000
8. [AB2021-061](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal amendment between Whatcom County and Bellingham Fire Department to add the budget for 2021 and 2022 to support two Community Paramedics for an additional \$709,610 and not to exceed a total of \$1,030,665
9. [AB2021-062](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Eltec Systems LLC for Elevator Inspections, Maintenance and Repairs

## **OTHER ITEMS**

### **(From Council Natural Resources Committee)**

1. [AB2021-029](#) Resolution affirming the PDR Oversight Committee ranking and authorizing Whatcom County Purchase and Development Rights Program Administrator and Whatcom County Executive to proceed with the acquisition of conservation easements on the Lakeland Foundation, Jones-Bishop, Martin, VanderWerff, Kiera-Duffy Forestry, and Kiera-Duffy Ecological applications

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

2. [AB2020-587](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a three-year agreement, using the National Association of State Procurement Officials ValuePoint Master Agreement #AR2474 and State of Washington Participating Addendum #05116, between Whatcom County and CenturyLink Communications, LLC for telecommunications trunk line services, in the amount of \$106,127.17
3. [AB2021-018](#) Ordinance amending the 2021 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 2, in the amount of \$5,839,516
4. [AB2021-041](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a grant agreement between Whatcom County and the Washington State Department of Commerce for an additional attorney to assist in handling deferred cases as a result of the coronavirus, in the amount of \$238,417.00
5. [AB2021-050](#) Resolution accepting the Treasurer's list of petitions for property tax refunds, consistent with RCW 84.69.020
6. [AB2021-054](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Service Master Cleaning to provide cleaning services at the COVID-19 Temporary Housing Facility in the amount of \$168,333 for a total amended contract amount of \$335,000
7. [AB2021-063](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Whatcom Conservation District for the Enhanced Whatcom Water Alliance Program, in the amount of \$50,000 (County acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

**(No Committee Assignment)**

8. [AB2021-028](#) Reorganization of the Whatcom County Council for 2021
  - **Appoint one member to Intergovernmental Tribal Relations Committee**
  - **Confirm Council decision to not appoint optional Alternate WSAC Board Member**

**COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES**

1. [AB2021-056](#) Council appointment to fill vacancy on the Surface Mining Advisory Committee - Applicant(s): Candice Leonard

2. [AB2021-068](#) Council appointment to fill vacancies on the Child and Family Well-Being Task Force - Applicant(s): Debbie Ahl, Jenifer Barcott, Chris Cochran, Clara Cunningham, Jen Curlett, Ray Deck III, Jamie Desmul, Tilda Doughty, Mike Ford, Urvasi Graham, Anne Granberg, Jodi Greene, Alicia Hanning, Melissa Isenhart, Julee Johnson, Mara Kelley, Sarah Kidd, Monika Mahal, Tamara Mattson, Jean McMahan, Brian Nelson, Katherine Orłowski, Pauline Owen, Elizabeth Page, Rosalva Santos-Guzman, Abby Smith, Erin Smith, Alisha Spencer, Liz Stuart, Tess Tessler, Ann M. Welch
3. [AB2021-069](#) Council appointment to fill vacancies on the Lynden/Everson Flood Control Subzone Advisory Committee - Applicant(s): Ron Bronsema (Council Acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

### **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. [AB2021-065](#) Request confirmation of the County Executive's reappointments and new appointments to Executive boards, committees and commissions; appointments to take effect on February 1, 2021

### **ITEMS ADDED BY REVISION**

1. [AB2021-086](#) Discussion regarding possible modifications to the remaining tiny homes currently on order from 360Modular  
**ITEM ADDED 1.26.2021**

### **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. [AB2021-051](#) Ordinance adopting Countywide Planning Policies relating to the Review and Evaluation Program (also known as Buildable Lands) and dispute resolution procedures
2. [AB2021-058](#) Ordinance adopting the temporary installation of stop signs on Deer Trail
3. [AB2021-074](#) Ordinance adopting amendments to Whatcom County Code 2.66 County-Owned Vehicles
4. [AB2021-075](#) Ordinance authorizing the closure of a portion of 4th Street in Custer, Washington, related to COVID-19 economic relief

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

**ADJOURN**