

Whatcom County Council

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Meeting Agenda

**VIRTUAL MEETING (TO PARTICIPATE, SEE INSTRUCTIONS AT
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REVISED 4.5.2021 and 4.6.2021

Tuesday, April 6, 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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COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

1. [AB2021-212](#) County Executive Satpal Sidhu will present the "State of the County" to Council and County citizens

MINUTES CONSENT

1. [MIN2021-027](#) Committee of the Whole Executive Session for March 23, 2021
2. [MIN2021-028](#) Committee of the Whole for March 23, 2021
3. [MIN2021-029](#) Regular County Council for March 23, 2021

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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1. [AB2021-128](#) Resolution to sell county tax title property by public auction
2. [AB2021-168](#) Resolution declaring the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District intention to lease property on Emmerson Road (Council Acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)
3. [AB2021-169](#) Resolution declaring the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District intention to lease property on Dahlberg Road (Council Acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

4. [AB2021-184](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 9.08.020 Unlawful Exposure to include an exception for breastfeeding
5. [AB2021-190](#) Ordinance imposing an interim moratorium on the acceptance and processing of applications and permits for new or expanded outdoor recreational cannabis growing and/or processing facilities

OPEN SESSION (20 MINUTES)

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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. [AB2021-189](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and the North Sound Accountable Communities of Health to supervise Whatcom Unified Command's (WUC) Volunteer Branch in the amount of \$15,000 for a total amended contract amount of \$55,000
2. [AB2021-194](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission for FY2021 Recreational Boating Safety Federal Financial Assistance Grant, in the amount of \$19,290.64
3. [AB2021-203](#) Request approval for the County Executive to authorize the purchase of vehicle body repair services, using the Washington State Contract #05015, in an annual amount not to exceed \$80,000
4. [AB2021-211](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Lydia Place to provide housing case management services in the amount of \$68,692 for a total amended contract amount of \$965,759
5. [AB2021-214](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a lease agreement between Whatcom County and Whatcom County Water District 7 to lease tower access at the Toad Mountain Water Tower Site for four years and seven months for a total amount of \$5,715.02

OTHER ITEMS

(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. [AB2021-163](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State University to continue the jointly shared costs for faculty positions and program support for WSU Extension in the amount of \$253,034 for a total amended contract amount of \$2,491,357.90
2. [AB2021-173](#) Ordinance amending the 2021 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 5, in the amount of \$1,220,565
3. [AB2021-191](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to provide funding for rental assistance and emergency shelter in motels in the amount of \$618,121 for a total amended contract amount of \$1,514,822
4. [AB2021-199](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and North Whatcom Fire & Rescue for a paramedic training class, in the amount of \$236,000
5. [AB2021-201](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interagency agreement between Whatcom County and Camano Island Fire and Rescue to participate in the 2021 paramedic training class, in the amount of \$41,900
6. [AB2021-216](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Bellingham Fire Department to operate the 2021 Paramedic Training Program and to support two eligible BFD firefighter EMTs' participation in the course, in the amount of \$579,153
7. [AB2021-217](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Bellingham Technical College for costs associated with the Medical Program Director/Training Physician and sponsoring and accrediting the 2021 Paramedic Training class, in the amount of \$42,200

(From Council Public Works and Health Committee)

8. [AB2021-204](#) Consideration of citizen appeals of road name change due to correction of address number sequence.

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. [AB2021-192](#) Request confirmation of the County Executive's appointment of Erich Kleinknecht to the Development Standards Technical Advisory Committee

2. [AB2021-218](#) Request confirmation of the County Executive's reappointment of Stephen Gockley to the Housing Authority of Whatcom County

ITEMS ADDED BY REVISION

1. [AB2021-209](#) Resolution regarding permanent affordability of childcare in Whatcom County

ITEM ADDED 4.5.2021 (FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)

2. [AB2021-230](#) Ordinance imposing an interim moratorium on the acceptance and processing of permit applications for new or expanded recreational cannabis growing and/or processing facilities which are proposed to operate outdoors or in greenhouses

ITEM ADDED 4.6.2021 (FOR INTRODUCTION)

3. [AB2021-234](#) Resolution to review and enhance opportunities for public participation in Whatcom County

ITEM ADDED 4.6.2021 (FOR COUNCIL ACTION)

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. [AB2021-193](#) Ordinance establishing a speed limit on Northshore Road
2. [AB2021-195](#) Ordinance establishing a speed limit on several roads in the Wisner Lake Area
3. [AB2021-206](#) Ordinance closing Law Library/Elections Remodel Fund 376
4. [AB2021-207](#) Ordinance closing the East Whatcom Regional Resource Center Construction Fund 334
5. [AB2021-215](#) Ordinance amending the 2021 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 6, in the amount of \$583,944

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

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