

Whatcom County Council

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Action Summary

**VIRTUAL MEETING (TO PARTICIPATE, SEE INSTRUCTIONS AT
www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil OR CALL 360.778.5010); AGENDA**

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

Present: 7 - Rud Browne, Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, Todd Donovan, Ben Elenbaas, Carol Frazey, and Kathy Kershner

Absent: None

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

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

PRESENTED

MINUTES CONSENT

1. [MIN2021-027](#) Committee of the Whole Executive Session for March 23, 2021

APPROVED BY CONSENT

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

2. [MIN2021-028](#) Committee of the Whole for March 23, 2021

APPROVED BY CONSENT

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

3. [MIN2021-029](#) Regular County Council for March 23, 2021

APPROVED BY CONSENT

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. [AB2021-128](#) Resolution to sell county tax title property by public auction
APPROVED
Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner
Nay: 0
Absent: 0
Enactment No: RES 2021-012
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)
APPROVED
Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner
Nay: 0
Absent: 0
Enactment No: RES 2021-013
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)
APPROVED
Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner
Nay: 0
Absent: 0
Enactment No: RES 2021-014
4. [AB2021-184](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 9.08.020 Unlawful Exposure to include an exception for breastfeeding
ADOPTED
Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner
Nay: 0
Absent: 0
Enactment No: ORD 2021-017
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

ADOPTED

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

Enactment No: ORD 2021-018

OPEN SESSION (20 MINUTES)**CONSENT AGENDA**

(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

AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

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

AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

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

AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

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

AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

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

AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

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

AUTHORIZED

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

2. [AB2021-173](#) Ordinance amending the 2021 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 5, in the amount of \$1,220,565

ADOPTED

Aye: 4 - Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Frazey

Nay: 3 - Byrd, Elenbaas, and Kershner

Absent: 0

Enactment No: ORD 2021-019

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

AUTHORIZED

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

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

AUTHORIZED

Aye: 5 - Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 2 - Byrd, and Elenbaas

Absent: 0

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

AUTHORIZED

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

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

AUTHORIZED

Aye: 5 - Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, Elenbaas, and Frazey

Nay: 2 - Byrd, and Kershner

Absent: 0

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

AUTHORIZED

Aye: 5 - Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 2 - Byrd, and Elenbaas

Absent: 0

(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.

DENIED

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

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

CONFIRMED

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

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

CONFIRMED

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

ITEMS ADDED BY REVISION

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

HELD IN COMMITTEE

Motion approved 7-0 to write a letter by the next regular Council meeting date extending a formal invitation to the primary people involved in childcare to give feedback and suggestions.

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

INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

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

APPROVED

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: RES 2021-015

INTRODUCTION ITEMS

1. [AB2021-193](#) Ordinance establishing a speed limit on Northshore Road

INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

2. [AB2021-195](#) Ordinance establishing a speed limit on several roads in the Wiser Lake Area

INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

3. [AB2021-206](#) Ordinance closing Law Library/Elections Remodel Fund 376

INTRODUCED

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

4. [AB2021-207](#) Ordinance closing the East Whatcom Regional Resource Center Construction Fund 334

INTRODUCED

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

5. [AB2021-215](#) Ordinance amending the 2021 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 6, in the amount of \$583,944

INTRODUCED

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

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