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Agenda Bill Master Report

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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 2.108, Bellingham-Whatcom County Commission Against Domestic Violence, expanding the scope of the Commission and referring to interlocal agreement with the City of Bellingham

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

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01/15/2019	Council	INTRODUCED	Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee
01/29/2019	Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee	RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION	
01/29/2019	Council	ADOPTED	

Attachments: Ordinance Amending chapter 2.108 Commission Against Domestic Violence.pdf,
Bellingham-Whatcom CADV Letter

Final Action: 01/29/2019
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PROPOSED BY: _____
INTRODUCTION DATE: _____

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-012

AMENDING CHAPTER 2.108 OF THE WHATCOM COUNTY CODE REGARDING THE BELLINGHAM-WHATCOM COUNTY COMMISSION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, EXPANDING THE SCOPE OF THE COMMISSION TO INCLUDE ADDRESSING BOTH DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE, AND REFERRING DETAILS OF THIS JOINT UNDERTAKING TO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM

WHEREAS, the Bellingham-Whatcom County Commission Against Domestic Violence was created in 1998 by Ordinance No. 98-072 and codified as Chapter 2.108 of the Whatcom County Code; and


WHEREAS, the Commission has voted in the affirmative to expand its mission to include ending sexual violence; and

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Council finds that it is appropriate to codify the expanded scope of the Commission and utilize an interlocal agreement with the City of Bellingham to provide for the ongoing functions, composition, anticipated funding sources, and staffing of the Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that Chapter 2.108 of the Whatcom County Code is hereby amended as set forth in the attached Exhibit A.

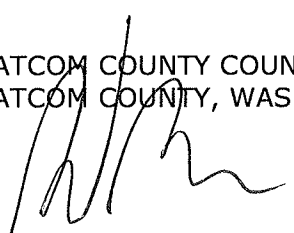
ADOPTED this 29th day of January, 2019.

ATTEST



Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON



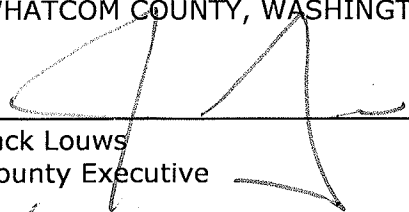
Rud Browne, Council Chair

WHATCOM COUNTY EXECUTIVE
APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Karen N. Frakes
Civil Deputy Prosecutor

WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Jack Louws
County Executive

Approved () Denied

Date Signed: 2/5/19

EXHIBIT A

Chapter 2.108 COMMISSION ON DOMESTIC & SEXUAL VIOLENCE

Sections:

- 2.108.010 Created.
- 2.108.020 Purpose.
- 2.108.030 Functions.
- 2.108.040 Organization – Meetings

2.108.010 Created and Sustained.

The Bellingham-Whatcom County Commission Against Domestic Violence was created in 1998 by ordinances adopted by the Bellingham City Council and the Whatcom County Council. The Whatcom County Council affirms the important work of the commission, confirms the expanded scope of the commission, and recognizes the commission as a joint undertaking by the City and Whatcom County. As a joint undertaking between the City and Whatcom County, the ongoing work of the commission will be supported through an interlocal agreement between the City and Whatcom County. Additional government agencies may become parties to the interlocal agreement as appropriate. The name of the commission shall be the City of Bellingham-Whatcom County Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence.

2.108.020 Purpose.

The purpose of the commission is to provide leadership in the community's effort to address domestic and sexual violence. The purpose of the commission will be further detailed in the interlocal agreement with the City of Bellingham.

2.108.030 Functions, Operation, and Composition.

The functions of the commission, including data collection, researching best practices, development of tools, providing training, obtaining financial and other resources, and advising local agencies, will be further outlined and detailed in an interlocal agreement providing for cooperation and coordination with Whatcom County. The guidelines for operation and the specific composition of the commission will be further detailed in the interlocal agreement.

2.108.040 Organization – Meetings.

Meetings of the commission shall be open and accessible to the public. The commission shall determine its own meeting schedule but shall meet at least once each quarter. Written records of meetings, resolutions, findings and recommendations shall be kept and such records shall be public. The commission shall adopt its own rules and procedures which shall be public record. The city and county shall provide funding for the commission as the city and county deem necessary for the commission to perform its duties. The commission shall elect a chairperson from among its members who shall preside at its meetings. (Ord. 98-072 § 1).