

# **Whatcom County Council**

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

AGENDA REVISED 11.18.2019

**Tuesday, November 19, 2019**

**7 PM**

**Council Chambers**

### **COUNCILMEMBERS**

Barbara Brenner  
Rud Browne  
Barry Buchanan  
Tyler Byrd  
Todd Donovan  
Carol Frazey  
Satpal Sidhu

### **CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH WHATCOM COUNTY CODE SECTIONS 2.02.040 AND 2.02.060, THE FOLLOWING RULES SHALL APPLY DURING ALL COUNCIL AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Section 2.02.040 Meetings – General rules.

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E. All council and council committee meetings shall be conducted pursuant to The American Institute of Parliamentarians Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure, latest edition, except when in conflict with the standing rules of the council.

L. During an open session or public hearing, audience members will be given three minutes to address the council.

M. Cell phones shall be silenced and cell phone conversations shall be prohibited within the confines of the council chambers during meetings.

N. Placards, signs, applause, or other distractions shall not be allowed in the council chambers without the consent of the council chair.

O. Any person making personal, impertinent, or slanderous remarks, or who becomes boisterous, while attending a council or council committee meeting may be requested to leave the meeting and may be forthwith, by the presiding officer, barred from further audience before the council during that meeting.

2.02.060 Meetings – Decorum of debate.

A. Any councilmember desiring to speak shall first be recognized by the chair, and shall confine his or her remarks to the specific subject under consideration or to be considered. The councilmember who has proposed a motion or the committee member who has presented a report shall be allowed the first opportunity to explain the motion or report, and usually is allowed to speak last on it. No member or small group of members shall be permitted to monopolize the discussion on a question. If a member has already spoken and other members wish to speak, they should be recognized in preference to the member who has already spoken on a question.

B. Councilmembers shall address each other as “councilmember” and the council chair shall be addressed as “chair.”

C. Staff members, presenters, and the general public shall be addressed as Mr., Mrs., Ms., or by their official or honorary title.

D. When two or more councilmembers desire to speak at the same time, the chair shall name the member who shall have the floor.

E. When a councilmember is speaking, no other member shall hold discourse which may interrupt the speaker except to raise a point of order. The chair should insist that every member be attentive to the business before the assembly.

F. Councilmembers shall have time to explain any motion they intend to make. All motions will begin with the words, "I move" and must receive a second prior to being put to a vote.

G. When it appears that all councilmembers who wish to speak have done so, the chair shall inquire, "Is there any further discussion?" If there is not, the question is put to a vote.

H. To bring a question to immediate vote, a councilmember may move to close debate. If more than one motion is pending, the motion to close debate should specify the pending motions to which it applies (main motion, motion to amend, etc.). The motion to close debate cannot interrupt a speaker, is not debatable, and requires an affirmative vote by two-thirds of the councilmembers in attendance. The motion to close debate should be used in moderation, as members cannot be expected to maintain interest in an organization if they are frequently denied the right to participate in its deliberations.

## COUNTY COUNCIL

### CALL TO ORDER

### ROLL CALL

### FLAG SALUTE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you will be handing out paperwork to councilmembers, please give one copy to the clerk for our office files. Thank you.

### PUBLIC HEARINGS

Audience members who wish to address the council during a public hearing are asked to sign up at the back of the room before the meeting begins. The council chair will ask those who have signed up to form a line at the podium. Each speaker should state his or her 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. 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.

1. [AB2019-542](#) Ordinance authorizing the levy of taxes for countywide emergency medical purposes for 2020
2. [AB2019-543](#) Ordinance authorizing the levy of taxes for Conservation Futures purposes for 2020
3. [AB2019-544](#) Ordinance authorizing the 2020 property tax levy for county road purposes
4. [AB2019-545](#) Resolution authorizing the Board of Supervisors of the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District (WCFCZD) to impose an ad valorem property tax levy of up to fifty cents per thousand dollars of assessed value upon real property within the district in 2020
5. [AB2019-546](#) Ordinance limiting the 2020 General Fund property tax levy
6. [AB2019-547](#) Ordinance authorizing the levy of taxes for County and State purposes in Whatcom County Washington for the year of 2020
7. [AB2019-551](#) Resolution adopting 2020 budget for the Point Roberts Transportation Benefit District
8. [AB2019-557](#) Resolution adopting the 2020 budget for the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Subzones (Council acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)
9. [AB2019-565](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, Request No. 1, in the amount of \$18,918,279

10. [AB2019-568](#) Resolution authorizing the County Executive to enter into a twenty year communications tower lease agreement with Crown Castle GT for leased space on park property at Lookout Mountain
11. [AB2019-285](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Title 3, requiring that public funds used for construction projects do double duty by also providing apprentices with job training hours to meet the requirements necessary to become the next generation of skilled trades persons

### **OPEN SESSION (20 MINUTES)**

**During open session, audience members can speak to the council on any issue not scheduled for public hearing. Each speaker should state his or her 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. [AB2019-582](#) Resolution to set public hearing to sell tax-title property by public auction
2. [AB2019-587](#) Resolution ordering the cancellation of unredeemed checks (warrants) more than one year old
3. [AB2019-589](#) Resolution ordering the cancellation of accounts receivable more than four years old
4. [AB2019-574](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to add funding for a behavioral health consultant, in the amount of \$17,800 for a total amended contract amount of \$130,028
5. [AB2019-577](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Ferndale School District to provide emergency management services, in the amount of \$200,000
6. [AB2019-585](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Pioneer Human Services to provide substance use disorder assessments and post-assessment treatment coordination to inmates released from the Whatcom County Jail in an estimated amount of \$60,000 for a total estimated amended contract amount of \$91,500

7. [AB2019-594](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Healthcare Management Administrators, Inc. (HMA) to provide administrative and claims processing services for the self-insured medical program
8. [AB2019-595](#) Request approval for the County Executive to authorize the purchase of a replacement dump truck, dump body, hook lift sander, and plow; using Washington State Contract #01513 and #01117. The total cost of these purchases is \$281,677.87

## **OTHER ITEMS**

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

1. [AB2019-580](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the U.S. Department of Interior Geological Survey Joint Funding Agreement for Stream Gaging (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)
2. [AB2019-581](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between the U.S. Department of Interior Geological Survey and the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)
3. [AB2019-552](#) Ordinance amending the 2019 Whatcom County budget, request no. 14, in the amount of \$72,853
4. [AB2019-553](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Lummi Nation Ferry Lease Fund, Request No. 2
5. [AB2019-562](#) Ordinance amending the Project Budget for the Criminal Justice Integrated Case Management Systems Fund, Request No. 1
6. [AB2019-564](#) Ordinance amending the Project Budget for the Lake Whatcom Park Trail Development Fund, Request No. 1
7. [AB2019-550](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the Lake Whatcom Water & Sewer District for a follow-up investigation, in the amount of \$40,000.00
8. [AB2019-593](#) Resolution adopting a salary schedule and policies for unrepresented Whatcom County Employees, effective January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020

### **(No Committee Assignment)**

9. [AB2019-576](#) Request approval of updated Strategic Plan to End Homelessness in Whatcom County

### **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. [AB2019-590](#) Ordinance amending the 2019 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 15, in the amount of \$49,400
2. [AB2019-591](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 2, in the amount of \$343,000
3. [AB2019-592](#) Ordinance establishing the Prox Lock Control Panel Replacement Fund and establishing a project based budget for the Prox Lock Control Panel Replacement Project
4. [AB2019-597](#) Ordinance imposing an interim moratorium on the acceptance and processing of applications and permits for new or expanded facilities in the Cherry Point UGA, the primary purpose of which would be the shipment of unrefined fossil fuels not to be processed at Cherry Point
5. [AB2019-480](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Chapters 11.16 and 11.20 to protect Lake Samish shoreline properties and Lake Samish water recreation
6. [AB2019-583](#) Resolution to sell tax-title property by public auction
7. [AB2019-600](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 11.16 to protect Lake Samish shoreline properties and Lake Samish water recreation

**ITEM REMOVED 11.18.2019**

**ITEM ADDED 11.18.2019**

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

### **ADJOURN**