



Whatcom County

Action Summary

COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Carol Frazey
Kathy Kershner

Tuesday, May 5, 2020

1 PM

Virtual Meeting

**VIRTUAL MEETING - VIEW ONLINE;
AGENDA REVISED 5.1.2020 (SEE AGENDA REVISION NOTICE IN MEETING DETAILS)**

COUNTY COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

A motion carried 4-3 to have the Chair of the Council sign a letter with the Executive with the edits as discussed with Ms. Frakes.

OTHER ITEMS

1. [AB2020-116](#) Update on COVID-19
DISCUSSED
2. [AB2020-117](#) Discussion of strategies related to COVID-19
DISCUSSED
3. [AB2020-186](#) Request approval to sign agreement with Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office in order to secure matching funds for the acquisition of a forestry conservation easement on the Kiera-Duffy property through the Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) Program

AUTHORIZED

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

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

4. [AB2020-187](#) Request approval to sign agreement with Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office in order to secure matching funds for the acquisition of a forestry conservation easement on the Squalicum Forest property through the Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) Program

AUTHORIZED

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

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

5. [AB2020-193](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to amend a contract between Whatcom County and Washington State Military for the FY2017 Operation Stonegarden Program grant replaces Revised Attachment 2, Work Plan/Budget including amending the amounts of the budget categories and replacing the approval letter and Personnel Cap Waiver

AUTHORIZED

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

6. [AB2020-188](#) Ordinance supporting a thoughtful approach to doing business in Whatcom County during the COVID-19 pandemic

FAILED

Aye: 2 - Byrd, and Elenbaas

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

Absent: 0

A motion was approved 7-0 to request Legal Counsel, Karen Frakes, to work with Councilmember Elenbaas on crafting a letter to send to the Governor that incorporates the theme in Councilmember Elenbaas' ordinance.

7. [AB2020-189](#) Ordinance providing permitting relief to food establishments

ADOPTED

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: ORD 2020-022

8. [AB2020-185](#) Resolution authorizing Whatcom County Executive Satpal Sidhu to act as the authorized representative on behalf of Whatcom County for Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (Office) Washington Wildlife and Recreation Farmland and Forestland Preservation project grants

APPROVED

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

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

Enactment No: Res 2020-014

9. [AB2020-202](#) Emergency ordinance establishing a COVID-19 interim economic recovery plan to respond to the economic crisis within Whatcom County caused by the COVID-19 pandemic

WITHDRAWN

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

Nay: 2 - Byrd, and Elenbaas

Absent: 0

10. [AB2020-205](#) Emergency ordinance amending the Whatcom County 2020 Budget in the amount of \$50,000

WITHDRAWN

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

11. [AB2020-144](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Sea Mar Community Health Centers to administer the Law Enforcement Assisted Division (LEAD) Program, in the amount of \$288,778

AUTHORIZED

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

12. [AB2020-141](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a Local Agency Agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) to obligate federal construction funds for Goshen Road/Anderson Creek Bridge No. 248 Replacement, in the amount of \$450,000

AUTHORIZED

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

- 13. [AB2020-143](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a Local Agency Agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) to obligate federal funding for the Horizontal Alignment Advisory Speed Review Project in the amount of \$110,778

AUTHORIZED

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

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

- 14. [AB2020-210](#) Resolution to convene a Task Force on Employer Infection Control and Social Distancing Guidance

APPROVED

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

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

Enactment No: RES 2020-015

INTRODUCTION ITEMS

- 1. [AB2020-194](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 12, in the amount of \$77,641

INTRODUCED

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

Nay: 2 - Byrd, and Elenbaas

Absent: 0

- 2. [AB2020-195](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 7, in the amount of \$250,000 (Supersedes Ord. No. 2020-008)

INTRODUCED

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

Nay: 2 - Byrd, and Elenbaas

Absent: 0

3. [AB2020-196](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 8, in the amount of \$1,155,821 (Supersedes Ord. No. 2020-012)

INTRODUCED

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

Nay: 2 - Byrd, and Elenbaas

Absent: 0

4. [AB2020-197](#) Ordinance establishing the COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund and establishing a budget for the COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund (Supersedes Ord. No. 2020-016)

INTRODUCED

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

Nay: 2 - Byrd, and Elenbaas

Absent: 0

5. [AB2020-198](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, Request No. 10, in the amount of \$3,000,000 (Supersedes Ord. No. 2020-018)

INTRODUCED

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

Nay: 2 - Byrd, and Elenbaas

Absent: 0

6. [AB2020-199](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 11, in the amount of \$154,946 (Supersedes Ord. No. 2020-020)

INTRODUCED

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

Nay: 2 - Byrd, and Elenbaas

Absent: 0

7. [AB2020-200](#) Ordinance authorizing an interfund loan to finance cash flow for COVID-19 emergency response (replaces Ord. No. 2020-015 and Ord. No. 2020-017)

INTRODUCED

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

Nay: 2 - Byrd, and Elenbaas

Absent: 0

8. [AB2020-204](#) Ordinance (interim) establishing a COVID-19 interim economic recovery plan to

respond to the economic crisis within Whatcom County caused by the COVID-19 pandemic

INTRODUCED

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

Nay: 2 - Byrd, and Elenbaas

Absent: 0

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

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