

Whatcom County Council

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, January 25, 2022

6 PM

Virtual Meeting

**VIRTUAL MEETING (TO PARTICIPATE, SEE INSTRUCTIONS AT
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REVISED 1.25.2022**

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COUNTY COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

MINUTES CONSENT

1. [MIN2022-005](#) Special Council for January 11, 2022
2. [MIN2022-006](#) Regular County Council for January 11, 2022
3. [MIN2022-007](#) Water Work Session for January 18, 2022

PUBLIC HEARING

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1. [AB2021-664](#) Ordinance establishing a speed limit on a portion of Alderson Road

OPEN SESSION (20 MINUTES)

During open session, audience members may speak to the council on issues not scheduled for public hearing. To participate, please see instructions at www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil or contact the Council Office at 360.778.5010. All speakers should state their 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 and inform speakers when they have reached their three minute limit.

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. [AB2022-030](#) Resolution cancelling uncollectible personal property taxes
2. [AB2022-034](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Kittitas County for jail services when extra housing is needed for Whatcom County Jail inmates
3. [AB2022-043](#) Request Authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and the Washington State Office of Public Defense for the enhancement of Public Defense in the amount of \$209,111.00
4. [AB2022-045](#) Resolution to approve annual petition for refunds paid list consistent with RCW 84.69.020
5. [AB2022-046](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Washington State Military Department to prepare for all hazards through Emergency Management programs, in the amount of \$74,247
6. [AB2022-047](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Washington State Military Department to prepare for all hazards through Emergency Management programs, in the amount of \$25,325
7. [AB2022-051](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement between Whatcom County and the Washington State Department of Natural Resources in the amount of \$9,900.00
8. [AB2022-052](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Lifeline Connections to provide jail behavioral health and re-entry services in the amount of \$604,882 for a total amended contract amount of \$669,322
9. [AB2022-053](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Ecology, in the amount of \$1,295,000
10. [AB2022-056](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Bellingham for Joint Usage of the Vactor Waste Transfer Facility

11. [AB2022-057](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter in to a contract with GeoTest Services, Inc. for on-call Construction Materials Testing and Inspection Construction Services in an amount not to exceed \$150,000
12. [AB2022-058](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Lydia Place to provide emergency housing for families experiencing unsheltered homelessness in the amount of \$107,000 for a total amended contract amount of \$600,074
13. [AB2022-059](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a collective bargaining agreement between Whatcom County and the Fraternal Order of Police for the period of January 1, 2022 - December 31, 2024
14. [AB2022-060](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Whatcom County and PROTEC17 for the period of January 1, 2022 - December 31, 2023

OTHER ITEMS

(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. [AB2022-012](#) Ordinance establishing the Geneva Bioretention Pilot Project Fund and establishing a project based budget for the Geneva Bioretention Pilot Project
2. [AB2022-013](#) Ordinance amending the 2022 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 4, in the amount of \$1,619,951
3. [AB2022-044](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Ideal Options for Physician Services in the amount of \$277,842.00
4. [AB2022-049](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding for the Way Station
5. [AB2022-050](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Pacific Security to provide security services at COVID isolation and quarantine facilities and community vaccine clinics in the amount of \$48,201 for a total amended contract amount of \$224,210
6. [AB2022-055](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Whatcom Conservation District, in the amount of \$35,000 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

(From Council Planning and Development Committee)

7. [AB2021-744](#) Resolution approving recommendations on three applications for Open Space Current Use Assessment

(From Council Committee of the Whole)

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

COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

1. [AB2022-026](#) Council appointment to fill vacancies on the Incarceration Prevention and Reduction Task Force - Applicant(s): Jason McGill, Jason Smith, Jenn Lockwood, Gregory Todd Lagestee, Heather Flaherty, Deborah Hawley, McKale Jones, Debra David
2. [AB2022-054](#) Council appointment to the Flood Control Zone District Advisory Committee - Alternate, applicant(s): Loren Hoekema (Council Acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)
3. [AB2022-068](#) Council appointment to fill vacancies on the Forestry Advisory Committee, Harvester position - Applicant(s): Matt McGee
4. [AB2022-069](#) Council appointment to fill vacancy on the Lynden/Everson Flood Control Subzone Advisory Committee - Applicant(s): Shawna DeKriek (Council Acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

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. [AB2022-061](#) Request confirmation of the County Executive's appointments and reappointments to various county boards, committees and commissions

ITEMS ADDED BY REVISION

1. [AB2022-079](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 2.02.085, Council Standing Committees - Committee Action

ITEM ADDED 1.25.2022 (FOR INTRODUCTION)

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. [AB2022-048](#) Ordinance authorizing Superior Court to appoint a statutory commissioner

2. [AB2021-606](#) Ordinance adopting amendments to the Whatcom County Code Title 20, Zoning, to provide additional affordable housing options, including allowing and regulating tiny homes and allowing duplexes in planned unit developments
3. [AB2022-036](#) Ordinance repealing the Cherry Point Ferndale Subarea Plan and deleting a reference to the Subarea Plan in the Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan
4. [AB2022-039](#) Ordinance to temporarily close Gulf Road to Motorized Vehicular Traffic
5. [AB2022-040](#) Ordinance for the legal establishment of a speed limit for a portion of Nulle Road
6. [AB2022-041](#) Ordinance to install a stop sign on Northwest Drive
7. [AB2022-042](#) Ordinance regarding the legal establishment of existing yield signs on county roads

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

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