

Whatcom County Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Bellingham, WA 98225-4038
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Action Summary

**Tuesday, July 23, 2024
9:35 AM
Hybrid Meeting**

**HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 11:10 A.M. - MAY BEGIN EARLY
(PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON, SEE REMOTE JOIN INSTRUCTIONS AT
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COUNCILMEMBERS

Tyler Byrd
Todd Donovan
Kaylee Galloway

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Cathy Halka, AICP, CMC

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Call To Order

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Tyler Byrd, Kaylee Galloway, and Todd Donovan

Also Present: Barry Buchanan, Ben Elenbaas, Jon Scanlon, and Mark Stremmer

Announcements

Council "Consent Agenda" Items

1. [AB2024-464](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and ASM Affiliates to provide on-call professional cultural and historical resource services, in the amount not to exceed \$100,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

2. [AB2024-471](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal contract between Whatcom County and Washington State Health Care Authority for a Reentry Demonstration Initiative Project in the amount of \$2,500,000.00

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

3. [AB2024-475](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to award Bid #24-63 and enter into a contract between Whatcom County and J Ritter Dirt and Asphalt LLC, for trailhead parking lot improvements at Stimpson Family Nature Reserve, in the amount of \$219,019.30

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

4. [AB2024-477](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment

between Whatcom County and Astound Business Solutions, LLC (formerly Wave) for fiber optic connectivity from the Courthouse to State Street and a nearby parking lot in the amount of \$81,337.03 for a total amended amount over five years of \$364,657.26

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

5. [AB2024-478](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement between Whatcom County and the Lummi Island Heritage Trust to reimburse the Trust for development costs of the Aiston Preserve, in the amount of \$50,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

6. [AB2024-481](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC) for Registered Sex Offender Verification Program funding, in the amount of \$132,892.95

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

7. [AB2024-482](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Blaine Police Department (PD), Everson PD, Ferndale PD, Lynden PD, Sumas PD, US Border Patrol, US Drug Enforcement Agency, and Washington State Patrol to establish a multi-jurisdictional drug task force, in the amount of \$0.00

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

8. [AB2024-483](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and US Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for area patrols, in the amount of \$34,056.00 for a total amended amount of \$56,760.00

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

9. [AB2024-487](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Aquatic Insight, LLC to develop a Wiser Lake Cyanobacteria Management Plan, in the amount of \$62,500

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

10. [AB2024-490](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Klemple Glass LLC to reconfigure the storefront doorway and frame in the Auditor's Office in the amount of \$5,684.80 for a total amended amount of \$42,676.80

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

Special Presentation

1. [AB2024-416](#) Presentation from Bellingham Whatcom County Tourism President and CEO Dylan Deane-Boyle

PRESENTED

Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council

1. [AB2024-432](#) County Executive requests approval of the Economic Development Investment (EDI) Board's recommendation for funding to support the City of Bellingham's Bear Creek Corridor Construction Project, the City of Lynden's Wastewater Treatment Plant Capacity and Nutrient Improvement Project, the City of Ferndale Water Treatment Plant Upgrades and Douglas Deep Well Projects, and the Housing Affordability through the Workforce Program

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL OF REQUEST

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

2. [AB2024-460](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Way Station Project Fund, request no. 4

RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

3. [AB2024-463](#) Ordinance amending the 2024 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 9, in the amount of 873,134

SUBSTITUTE RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

4. [AB2024-476](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Bellingham Fire Department, City of Lynden Fire Department, South Whatcom Fire Authority, Whatcom Fire Protection District 1, Whatcom Fire Protection District 4, Whatcom Fire Protection District 7, Whatcom Fire Protection District 8, Whatcom Fire Protection District 11, Whatcom Fire Protection District 14, Whatcom Fire Protection District 16, Whatcom Fire Protection District 17, Whatcom Fire Protection District 18, Whatcom Fire Protection District 19, and Whatcom Fire Protection District 21 for First Response Emergency Medical Services, in the amount of \$7,500,000.00

RECOMMENDED TO HOLD IN COMMITTEE

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

Items Added by Revision

Other Business

Adjournment