

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**APPROVING THE LAKE WHATCOM WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT
COMPREHENSIVE SEWER PLAN 2020 UPDATE**

WHEREAS, the Lake Whatcom Water and Sewer District Comprehensive Sewer System Plan 2020 Update (Plan Update) was prepared at the request of the District Board of Commissioners and in accordance with the Washington State Department of Ecology guidelines as presented in Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-240-050; and

WHEREAS, a determination of non-significance was issued for the Plan Update on February 20, 2020, pursuant to the State Environmental Policy Act; and

WHEREAS, per RCW 57.16.010, Whatcom County Public Works approved the Plan Update on March 24, 2020, with the following notations:

- The District should coordinate its planned water and sewer system facilities construction program with the County's planned road construction program;
- All work performed in a County public road right-of-way requires a Revocable Encroachment Permit as a prerequisite;
- Depending on the scope of the work of any given District planned water and sewer system facilities project, the County might require other permits as a prerequisite to project execution, and stormwater management documentation (with possible consequent engineered stormwater management system design); and

WHEREAS, per RCW 57.16.010, the Whatcom County Health Department approved the Plan Update on March 25, 2020; and

WHEREAS, RCW 57.16.010(7) requires the County Council approve, conditionally approve, or reject comprehensive sewer system plans; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Whatcom Water and Sewer District has submitted a final version of the Plan Update (revised to address any agency comments) to the County Council for review and approval; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of state law, the Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan, and County-Wide Planning Policies, sewer service in rural areas must be at rural levels and should not be used as a basis for rezoning property; and

WHEREAS, the County Council has reviewed the Lake Whatcom Water and Sewer District Comprehensive Sewer System Plan 2020 Update for compliance with the approval criteria set forth in RCW 57.16.010(7) and RCW 57.02.040 and finds that the plan satisfies these criteria, subject to certain conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Council hereby approves the Lake Whatcom Water and Sewer District Comprehensive Sewer System Plan 2020 update, subject to the following conditions:

1. Sewer service shall be provided consistent with densities allowed in the Whatcom County Zoning Code (Title 20).
2. Provision of sewer to land outside the Urban Growth Area shall not serve as the basis for rezoning properties.

APPROVED this _____ day of _____ 2018.

ATTEST

**WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Civil Deputy Prosecutor