



# Whatcom County

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## Agenda Bill Master Report

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### TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 2.02.075, Standing Committees, to rename Natural Resources Committee

### SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 2.02.075, Standing Committees, to rename Natural Resources Committee to be Climate Action and Natural Resources Committee

### HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

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<b>Date:</b>	<b>Acting Body:</b>	<b>Action:</b>	<b>Sent To:</b>
02/22/2022	Council	INTRODUCED	Council Committee of the Whole
		Aye: 7 Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, Galloway, and Kershner	
		Nay: 0	
		Absent: 0	
03/08/2022	Council Committee of the Whole	RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION	
		Aye: 6 Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, Galloway, and Kershner	
		Nay: 1 Elenbaas	
		Absent: 0	
03/08/2022	Council	ADOPTED	
		Aye: 6 Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, Galloway, and Kershner	
		Nay: 1 Elenbaas	
		Absent: 0	

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**Attachments:** Proposed ordinance

PROPOSED BY: GALLOWAY  
INTRODUCTION DATE: FEBRUARY 22, 2022

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-020

AMENDING WHATCOM COUNTY CODE 2.02.075, STANDING COMMITTEES  
TO RENAME NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

**WHEREAS**, the 2021 Whatcom County Climate Action Plan was adopted by County Council on November 9, 2021 (Resolution 2021-049); and

**WHEREAS**, the Climate Action Plan includes a focus on mitigation and adaptation to climate change and building climate resilience in our county; and

**WHEREAS**, the Whatcom County Council wishes to support the recommendations of the Climate Action Plan by renaming the Council's Natural Resources Committee to be the Climate Action and Natural Resources Committee.

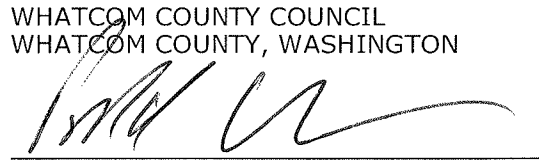
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED** by the Whatcom County Council that Whatcom County Code Section 2.02.075 is hereby amended as outlined in Exhibit A to this ordinance.

**ADOPTED** this 8th day of March, 2022.

ATTEST

  
Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
Todd Donovan, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Karen Frakes (by phone 2/1/2022)  
Civil Deputy Prosecutor

WHATCOM COUNTY EXECUTIVE  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

Approved      ( ) Denied

Date Signed: 3/14/22

**EXHIBIT A**

2.02.075 Standing committees – Established.

The following committees are established:

A. Finance and Administrative Services. General areas of responsibility for this committee shall be budget, taxation and purchasing issues, personnel policies and union negotiations;

B. Planning and Development. General areas of responsibility for this committee shall be zoning, development, stormwater, and fire;

C. Public Works and Health. General areas of responsibility for this committee shall be road construction and vacations, new construction, remodeling, public utilities issues, solid waste and health-related issues referred to the committee by the health board, public health advisory board, or health department;

D. Climate Action and Natural Resources. General areas of responsibility for this committee shall be climate change mitigation and adaptation, water, forestry, agriculture, fishery and mineral issues;

E. Criminal Justice and Public Safety. General areas of responsibility for this committee shall be criminal justice activities and planning, public safety, and law enforcement.

(Ord. 2017-081 Exh. A; Ord. 2012-010 Exh. A; Ord. 2010-044 Exh. A; Ord. 2008-004 Exh. A).