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Agenda Bill Master Report

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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Ordinance adopting amendments to Whatcom County Code Title 20 (Zoning) to comply with preemptive state regulations for accessory dwelling units and co-living standards

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

Amendments to Whatcom County Code Title 20 (Zoning) to comply with preemptive state regulations for accessory dwelling units and co-living standards affecting residential zoning districts in Urban Growth Areas per RCW 36.70A.680/.681 and RCW 36.70A.535. These amendments to Title 20 are part of the periodic review under the Growth Management Act.

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
11/18/2025	Council	INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING	Council
		Aye: 7 Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler	
		Nay: 0	
12/09/2025	Council Planning and Development Committee	DISCUSSED	
12/09/2025	Council	ADOPTED	
		Aye: 5 Byrd, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler	
		Nay: 2 Buchanan, and Donovan	

Attachments: Proposed Ordinance, Notice of Hearing on 12.9.2025, Staff Memo - Schacht, Staff Memo - Metz