Whatcom County Council Climate Action and Natural Resources Committee

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Committee Minutes - Final

Tuesday, May 7, 2024 9:40 AM Hybrid Meeting

HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 10 A.M., MAY BEGIN EARLY (PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON, SEE REMOTE JOIN INSTRUCTIONS AT www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil, OR CALL 360.778.5010)

COUNCILMEMBERS

Todd Donovan Kaylee Galloway Mark Stremler

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

Clerk's first announcement to extend executive session

At 9:37 a.m., Council Staff announced in the regular meeting (before Climate Action and Natural Resources Committee) that the executive session would extend to 9:45 a.m.

Clerk's second announcement to extend executive session

At 9:51 a.m., Council Staff announced in the regular meeting that the executive session would extend to no later than 10 a.m. and that Climate Action and Natural Resources Committee would start at 10:05 a.m.

Call To Order

Committee Chair Kaylee Galloway called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m. in a hybrid meeting.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Todd Donovan, Kaylee Galloway, and Mark Stremler

Announcements

Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council

1. AB2024-289 Resolution approving the Drayton Harbor Shellfish Recovery and Protection Plan 2024 update

Ingrid Enschede, Public Works Department, briefed the Councilmembers and stated she and the Drayton Harbor Shellfish Protection District Advisory Committee members that are present are available for questions.

Donovan moved that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL.

Galloway stated the format for the report is one they could use in many of their documents. She loved seeing the progress report on what they are working on as well as addressing some of the emerging needs.

Scanlon asked whether anything had changed in the document since the Water Work Session (where they last discussed it, on April 16, 2024) and Enschede stated it is the exact same document. Scanlon stated he would be interested in learning more about the process for reopening the shellfish beds to the north of the entrance to the harbor to see if that would be possible at some point.

Enschede stated they can report back if there is more information on that.

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Donovan's motion that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Donovan, Galloway, and Stremler

Nay: 0

Items Added by Revision

There were no agenda items added by revision.

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There was no other business.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Kaylee Galloway-via email 5/14/2024

Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

Kaylee Galloway, Committee Chair

Kristi Felbinger, Minutes Transcription

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