

**Whatcom County  
Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee**

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
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**Action Summary**

**VIRTUAL MEETING - ENDS NO LATER THAN 12:45 P.M.**

**Tuesday, January 26, 2021**

**11 AM**

**Virtual Meeting**

**COUNCILMEMBERS**

Rud Browne  
Tyler Byrd  
Carol Frazey

**CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

## **Call To Order**

### **Roll Call**

**Present:** 3 - Rud Browne, Tyler Byrd and Carol Frazey

**Absent:** None

Also Present: Barry Buchanan, Todd Donovan, and Ben Elenbaas

### **Special Order of Business**

1. [AB2021-071](#) Nomination and appointment of committee chair

#### **NOMINATED AND APPOINTED**

Appointed Browne as Committee Chair

### **Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council**

1. [AB2020-587](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a three-year agreement, using the National Association of State Procurement Officials ValuePoint Master Agreement #AR2474 and State of Washington Participating Addendum #05116, between Whatcom County and CenturyLink Communications, LLC for telecommunications trunk line services, in the amount of \$106,127.17

#### **RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION**

**Aye:** 2 - Browne and Frazey

**Nay:** 1 - Byrd

**Absent:** 0

2. [AB2021-018](#) Ordinance amending the 2021 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 2, in the amount of \$5,839,516

#### **SUBSTITUTE RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**

**Aye:** 2 - Browne and Frazey

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

**Abstain:** 1 - Byrd

3. [AB2021-041](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a grant agreement between Whatcom County and the Washington State Department of Commerce for an additional attorney to assist in handling deferred cases as a result of the coronavirus, in the amount of \$238,417.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Frazey

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

4. [AB2021-050](#) Resolution accepting the Treasurer's list of petitions for property tax refunds, consistent with RCW 84.69.020

**SUBSTITUTE RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Frazey

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

5. [AB2021-054](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Service Master Cleaning to provide cleaning services at the COVID-19 Temporary Housing Facility in the amount of \$168,333 for a total amended contract amount of \$335,000

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION**

**Aye:** 2 - Browne and Frazey

**Nay:** 1 - Byrd

**Absent:** 0

6. [AB2021-063](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Whatcom Conservation District for the Enhanced Whatcom Water Alliance Program, in the amount of \$50,000 (County acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Frazey

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

**Council "Consent Agenda" Items**

1. [AB2021-035](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Whatcom Land Trust to monitor and enforce easements purchased through the Purchase of Development Rights Program

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Frazey

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

2. [AB2021-038](#) Request authorization to sign agreement with Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office in order to secure matching funds for the acquisition of an agricultural conservation easement on the Bishop-Jones property through the Purchase of Development Rights Program

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Frazey

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

3. [AB2021-039](#) Request authorization to sign agreement with Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office in order to secure matching funds for the acquisition of an agricultural conservation easement on the Rethlefsen property through the Purchase of Development Rights Program

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Frazey

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

4. [AB2021-047](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Everson for Jail Work Crew Services in the amount of \$1,700.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Frazey

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

5. [AB2021-048](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Skagit County for Mini-Chain Services in the amount of \$177,725.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Frazey

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

6. [AB2021-055](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between

Whatcom County and Spiralfx Interactive LLC for Electronic Medical Records in the amount of \$19,200.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Frazey

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

7. [AB2021-060](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Wilson Engineering LLC to provide on-call professional land surveying services for 2021 in the amount not to exceed \$100,000

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Frazey

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

8. [AB2021-061](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal amendment between Whatcom County and Bellingham Fire Department to add the budget for 2021 and 2022 to support two Community Paramedics for an additional \$709,610 and not to exceed a total of \$1,030,665

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 2 - Browne and Frazey

**Nay:** 1 - Byrd

**Absent:** 0

9. [AB2021-062](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Eltec Systems LLC for Elevator Inspections, Maintenance and Repairs

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Frazey

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

**Items Added by Revision**

**Other Business**

A motion carried 3-0 that a discussion about the purchase of tiny homes be scheduled for the Council meeting tonight.

**Adjournment**