



## MEMORANDUM

TO: Whatcom County Council  
FROM: Council Staff  
DATE: May 8, 2026  
RE: Updated Council Comprehensive Plan Review Schedule

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### Remaining Schedule

*Below is the proposed remaining schedule as of 5.8.2026 for Council review of the Comprehensive Plan. This schedule is tentative and subject to change.*

- **5/12– COTW (approx. 2-3.5 hours)**
  - Continue Chapters 2, 8, 10, and Appendices
    - DEADLINE FOR CM EDITS: 5/4 BY NOON
- **5/19 - Special Committee of the Whole (9:00 – 4:30)**
  - Continue Chapters 2, 8, 10, and Appendices (if needed)
  - Continue Chapter 12
  - Continue review of the Preface
  - Any remaining items to resolve from previously discussed chapters
  - Final coordination of chapters previously reviewed
    - **Public Comment 9:00 am – All chapters (limited to 30 min)**
    - DEADLINE FOR CM EDITS: 5/15 BY NOON
- **5/26- COTW (approx. 2-3.5 hours)**
  - Review of Appendix K and associated amendments
    - DEADLINE FOR CM EDITS: 5/18 BY NOON
- **6/2 – Special Committee of the Whole (1:00 - 4:30 pm)**
  - Review of draft ordinances (including findings of fact)
  - Review related zoning ordinances
    - **Public Comment 1:00 pm – Any periodic update item**
    - DEADLINE FOR CM EDITS: 5/25 BY NOON
- **6/9– Introduction of all ordinances relating to the Comprehensive Plan/Periodic Update**
  - Final minor edits in COTW if needed
- **6/23– Public hearing and final action on all chapters** (Public participation at evening council meeting)

## Status of Comp Plan Chapters as of 5.8.2026

Preface	AB2026-273	<i>Scheduled for May 5 SCOTW</i>
Chapter 1 - Introduction & Growth Projections	<a href="#">AB2026-185</a>	Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing ( <i>dates to be announced</i> )
Chapter 2 – Land Use	<a href="#">AB2026-186</a>	<i>Discussed 4/28 and held open Scheduled for discussion on 5/12 (incl. UGAs)</i>
Chapter 3 – Housing	<a href="#">AB2026-188</a>	Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing ( <i>dates to be announced</i> )
Chapter 4 – Capital Facilities	<a href="#">AB2026-216</a>	Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing ( <i>dates to be announced</i> )
Chapter 5 - Utilities	<a href="#">AB2026-217</a>	Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing ( <i>dates to be announced</i> )
Chapter 6 - Transportation	<a href="#">AB2026-218</a>	Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing ( <i>dates to be announced</i> )
Chapter 7 – Economic Development	<a href="#">AB2026-231</a>	Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing ( <i>dates to be announced</i> )
Chapter 8 – Resource Lands	<a href="#">AB2026-250</a>	<i>Discussed 3/31 &amp; 4/7 and held open Scheduled for continued discussion on 5/12</i>
Chapter 9 – Parks & Recreation	<a href="#">AB2026-251</a>	Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing ( <i>dates to be announced</i> )
Chapter 10 - Environment	<a href="#">AB2026-261</a>	<i>Discussed 4/7 &amp; 4/14 and held open Scheduled for continued discussion on 5/12</i>
Chapter 12 - Climate	<a href="#">AB2026-262</a>	<i>Discussed 4/7 and held open Scheduled for continued discussion on 5/19</i>
Appendices & Foothills SAP	<a href="#">AB2026-263</a>	<i>Not heard yet Scheduled for discussion on 5/12</i>
Appendix K	AB2026-298	<i>Scheduled for 5/26, after Planning Commission review</i>