

PROPOSED BY: BYRD
INTRODUCED: JANUARY 28, 2020

RESOLUTION 2020-004

**SUPPORTING ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY
RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS**

WHEREAS, the County recognizes the value of renewable fuels and the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the benefit of supporting the transition to lower carbon alternatives sooner rather later; and

WHEREAS, we understand that some of our local companies may be uniquely positioned to take advantage of such a transition and the County would like to support such transitions; and

WHEREAS, we desire to pass on a clean environment to future generations; and

WHEREAS, we would like to create a supportive environment to encourage more environmentally friendly energy projects locally; and

WHEREAS, the County supports creating new and maintaining existing living wage jobs within Whatcom County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Whatcom County Council will work with the County Executive and County Planning Department to create an expedited permitting process and try to define legal uncertainties for all renewable energy projects, including the Green Apple Project.

ADOPTED this 28th day of January, 2020.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Civil Deputy Prosecutor