

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

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
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**Action Summary**

ESTIMATED TIME - MEETING MAY BEGIN EARLIER/LATER THAN 11 A.M.

**Tuesday, January 28, 2020**

**11 AM**

**Council Chambers**

**COUNCILMEMBERS**

Rud Browne  
Tyler Byrd  
Kathy Kershner

**CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

## **Call To Order**

### **Roll Call**

**Present:** 3 - Rud Browne, Tyler Byrd and Kathy Kershner

**Absent:** None

Also present: Barry Buchanan, Todd Donovan, Ben Elenbaas, and Carol Frazey

## **County Executive's Report**

### **Special Order of Business**

1. [AB2020-030](#) Confirm Committee Chair Selection

**CONFIRMED**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

### **Special Presentation**

1. [AB2019-533](#) Update on economic development activities by the Regional Economic Development Partnership

See action taken below after Council "Consent Agenda"

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

1. [AB2020-020](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 3, in the amount of \$1,586,506

**RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

2. [AB2020-003](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Skagit County for mutual assistance on minor road projects with labor, equipment, or materials on a reimbursable basis for road maintenance activities through January 31, 2024

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

3. [AB2020-034](#) 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 \$153,411.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

4. [AB2020-035](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Oak Harbor for Mini-Chain Services in the amount of \$1,845.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

5. [AB2020-036](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Marysville for Mini-Chain Services in the amount of \$37,006.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

6. [AB2020-050](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Island County for Mini-Chain Services in the amount of \$4,626.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

7. [AB2020-053](#) Request approval of the Economic Development Investment (EDI) Board's recommendation for funding of the City of Lynden's request for a loan in the amount of \$2,000,000 and a grant in the amount of \$1,000,000

See action taken below after Council "Consent Agenda"

**Council "Consent Agenda" Items**

1. [AB2020-039](#) Request approval to sign agreement with Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program Farmland Preservation grant program to provide matching funds for the acquisition of an agricultural conservation easement on the McLeod property through the Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) Program

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

2. [AB2020-040](#) Request approval to sign agreement with Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program Farmland Preservation grant program to provide matching funds for the acquisition of an agricultural conservation easement on the Roper property through the Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) Program

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

3. [AB2020-041](#) Request approval to sign agreement with Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program Farmland Preservation grant program to provide matching funds for the acquisition of an agricultural conservation easement on the TeVelde property through the Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) Program

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

4. [AB2020-043](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Max Higbee Center to support critical construction improvements at their newly leased location, in the amount of \$100,000

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

5. [AB2020-044](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Northwest Youth Services to support operations at the Ground Floor Day-Use Center, in the amount of \$125,000

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

6. [AB2020-045](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Whatcom County and the Fraternal Order of Police, Matt Herzog Memorial Lodge #24 representing Whatcom County Sheriff's Office Management Group

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

7. [AB2020-055](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Hellmuth, Obata, and Kassabaum, Inc. (HOK) to develop a Whatcom County Public Health, Safety, and Justice Facility Needs Assessment, in the amount of \$629,694

**HELD IN COMMITTEE**

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

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

1. [AB2019-533](#) Update on economic development activities by the Regional Economic Development Partnership

**PRESENTED**

7. [AB2020-053](#) Request approval of the Economic Development Investment (EDI) Board's recommendation for funding of the City of Lynden's request for a loan in the amount of \$2,000,000 and a grant in the amount of \$1,000,000

**RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL FAILED**

**Aye:** 1 - Kershner

**Nay:** 2 - Browne and Byrd

**Absent:** 0

**Kershner moved to recommend approval of request. The motion failed 1-2, with Kershner in favor.**

**Other Business**

**Adjournment**