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ACTION TAKEN

The Whatcom County Council adopted the following at its July 11, 2023, meeting: **ORDINANCE (2023-040) AMENDING WHATCOM COUNTY CODE SECTION 11.20.025, FLOTATION DEVICES ON THE SOUTH FORK OF THE NOOKSACK RIVER, TO BETTER PROTECT ESA-LISTED CHINOOK SALMON (AB2023-416)**: This ordinance amends Whatcom County Code 11.20.025, Flotation Devices on the South Fork of the Nooksack River, to better protect ESA-listed Chinook salmon by restricting the use of specific flotation devices on the South Fork of the Nooksack River between the dates of June 1 and October 31, except under certain circumstances. The provisions of this ordinance will be in effect until the number of the South Fork Nooksack Early Chinook natural-origin spawners reach 50% of the recovery goal of 9,800. This ordinance was introduced on June 20, 2023. **ORDINANCE (2023-039) PROVIDING FOR SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSITION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF WHATCOM COUNTY PURSUANT TO RCW 52.14.450 AUTHORIZING THE COLLECTION OF A LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX OF TWO-TENTHS OF ONE PERCENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS FOR COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND JUSTICE FACILITIES AND SERVICES, INCLUDING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, PUBLIC SAFETY, AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS (AB2023-415)**: This ordinance provides for the submission of a proposition to the qualified electors of Whatcom County, pursuant to RCW 52.14.450, authorizing the collection of a local sales and use tax of two-tenths of one percent for the purpose of providing funds for costs associated with public health, safety and justice facilities and services, including behavioral health, supportive housing, public safety, and criminal justice facilities and programs. The ordinance also establishes rules and procedures related to the following: deposit of proceeds; eligible expenditures; interjurisdictional and stakeholder coordination; authority to bond; subsequent Implementation Plans and Implementation Plan amendments; oversight, accountability, and transparency. This ordinance was introduced on June 26, 2023.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Whatcom County Council will hold a public hearing, consider adopting, and may amend the following at its 6 p.m. meeting on July 25, 2023, or at a later date: **ORDINANCE ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO WHATCOM COUNTY CODE TITLE 20, ZONING, TO REGULATE SHORT-TERM VACATION RENTALS (AB2023-387)**: This ordinance to amend Whatcom County Code Title 20 (Zoning) to define and regulate short-term rentals of residential units (a.k.a., "vacation rentals"). This ordinance was introduced on July 11, 2023.

ACTION PROPOSED (INTRODUCED)

The Whatcom County Council will consider adopting and may amend the following at its 6 p.m. meeting on July 25, 2023, or at a later date: **ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CENTRAL SHOP NPDES STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FUND (AB2023-448)**: This ordinance establishes the Central Shop NPDES Stormwater Improvements Project Fund to be used to account for the revenues and expenditures related to evaluating the current stormwater system and determining future improvements at the Central Shop facility, in an initial amount of \$255,500. This ordinance was introduced July 11, 2023. **ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2023 WHATCOM COUNTY BUDGET, REQUEST NO. 10, IN THE AMOUNT OF 1,493,534 (AB2023-451)**: This ordinance amends the 2023 Whatcom County Budget as follows: From the General Fund – appropriate \$134,000 in Non Departmental to fund Opportunity Council Public Service Grant 2023-2024 from grant proceeds; record \$12,603 in Health to fund Behavioral Health Indirect Adjustment; appropriate \$195,000 in Health to fund Environmental Health Foundational Public Health Services (FPHS) Grant Program from grant proceeds; appropriate \$199,800 in Health to fund Youth Cannabis and Tobacco Prevention Program from grant proceeds; appropriate \$2,000 in Sheriff to reflect increase DEA grant contract #RL-21-0012; increase #2: appropriate \$5,000 in Sheriff to reflect increase DEA grant contract #RL-23-005. From the Road Fund: appropriate \$255,500 to fund Central Shop NPDES Stormwater Improvements, companion to #4020. From the Behavioral Health Program fund: appropriate \$74,228 to fund Mental Health Court Staffing increase FTE; appropriate \$49,975 to fund Behavioral Health Labor Pool Adjustment; appropriate \$37,540 to fund Response Vehicles ER&R Maintenance. From the Countywide Emergency Medical fund: appropriate \$8,500 to fund FD7 Paramedic Unit engine repair; appropriate \$32,264 to fund FD7 Community Paramedic (CPM) phase-in; appropriate \$282,743 to fund Medic 75 station upgrades reimbursement; appropriate \$138,100 to fund 2023-2024 Lateral Paramedics Bellingham Fire Department. From the Drug fund: appropriate \$34,925 to fund Thermo Scientific TruNarc Handheld Narcotics Analyzer. From the Administrative Services fund: appropriate \$43,959 in AS-Facilities to fund new Custodial position FTE. This ordinance was introduced July 11, 2023.

Public documents are available for review weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Council Office, 311 Grand Avenue, Suite 105, Bellingham, and at whatcomcounty.us/council. View meeting schedules, agendas, minutes, videos, documents and archives at whatcom.legistar.com. The Council is currently holding hybrid meetings, which can be attended either in person or remotely. Full Council meetings begin at 6 p.m. (unless otherwise announced) in the Council Chambers at 311 Grand Avenue. Instructions for remote participation can be found at www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil or by contacting the Council Office at 360-778-5010. The Council Chambers is handicapped accessible. People with special needs who will be attending Council meetings are asked to contact the Council Office (360-778-5010) at least 96 hours in advance.

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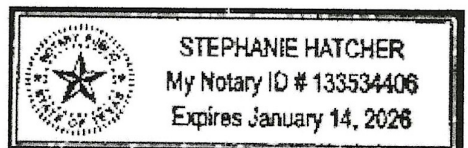
Stefani Beard

(Principal Clerk)

Subscribed and sworn on this 17th day of July in the year of 2023 before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared before me Stefani Beard known or identified to me to be the person whose name subscribed to the within instrument, and being by first duly sworn, declared that the statements therein are true, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same.

Stephanie Hatcher

Notary Public in and for the state of Texas, residing in Dallas County



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