

**Whatcom County  
Council Committee of the Whole-Executive Session**

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
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**Committee Minutes - Final**

**Tuesday, March 25, 2025**

**8:30 AM**

**Hybrid Meeting - Council Chambers**

**HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 9:45 AM (PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON, SEE  
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**COUNCILMEMBERS**

Barry Buchanan  
Tyler Byrd  
Todd Donovan  
Ben Elenbaas  
Kaylee Galloway  
Jon Scanlon  
Mark Stremler

**CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

Cathy Halka, AICP, CMC

## Call To Order

Council Chair Kaylee Galloway called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. in a hybrid meeting.

## Roll Call

**Present:** 7 - Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, Todd Donovan, Ben Elenbaas, Kaylee Galloway, Jon Scanlon, and Mark Stremler

## Announcements

## Committee Discussion

**Attorneys Present: Christopher Quinn and Kellen Kooistra, Prosecuting Attorney's Office, and Dennis McLerran of Cascadia Law.**

Galloway stated that discussion of agenda item one and two may take place in executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(a) and RCW42.30.110 (1) (i) respectively. Executive session will conclude no later than 9:45 a.m. If the meeting extends beyond the stated conclusion time, the Council chair will make a public announcement.

***Byrd moved*** to go into executive session until no later than 9:45 a.m. to discuss the agenda items pursuant to the RCW citations as announced by the Council Chair. The motion was seconded by Scanlon.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

Councilmembers entered executive session at 8:33 a.m.

1. AB2025-265 Update on negotiations and planning strategy discussion regarding collective bargaining [Discussion of this item may take place in executive session (closed to the public) pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(a)]

**This agenda item was DISCUSSED.**

2. AB2025-251 Discussion with Mark Personius, Director, Whatcom County Planning and Development Services, Kellen Kooistra, Whatcom County legal, and Dennis McLerran of Cascadia Law, outside counsel for Whatcom County, regarding Petrogas code compliance and enforcement. [Discussion of this item may take place in executive session (closed to the public) pursuant to RCW42.30.110 (1) (i)]

**This agenda item was DISCUSSED.**

**Items Added by Revision**

There were no agenda items added by revision.

**Other Business**

There was no other business.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

The County Council approved these minutes on April 15, 2025.

ATTEST:



Cathy Halka, Council Clerk

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Kaylee Galloway, Council Chair

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