

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

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Action Summary

**Tuesday, September 13, 2022
11 AM
Hybrid Meeting**

**HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 12:30 P.M. (PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON, SEE
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COUNCILMEMBERS

Tyler Byrd
Carol Frazey
Kathy Kershner

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

Call To Order

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Tyler Byrd, Carol Frazey, and Kathy Kershner

Absent: None

Also Present: Barry Buchanan, Todd Donovan, Ben Elenbaas, and Kaylee Galloway

Announcements

Special Presentation

1. [AB2022-467](#) Report from the Finance Division

REPORTED

Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council

1. [AB2022-434](#) Resolution amending the Flood Control Zone District & Subzones 2022 budget, request no. 5, in the amount of \$78,598 (Council acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

2. [AB2022-435](#) Ordinance amending the 2022 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 12, in the amount of \$4,068,703

RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Council "Consent Agenda" Items

1. [AB2022-455](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into the Allocation Agreement Governing the Allocation of Funds Paid by the Settling Opioid Distributors in Washington State and the Subdivision Settlement Participation Form in the Distributors Washington Settlement

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

2. [AB2022-456](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Everson for use of building space at Everson City Hall for senior programming, in the amount of \$500

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

3. [AB2022-458](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interagency Agreement between Whatcom County and the Washington Administrative Office of the Courts for reimbursement of expenses incurred relating to the Volunteer Guardian Ad Litem program, in the amount of \$91,751

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

4. [AB2022-459](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Military Department for FY2021 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG), in the amount of \$156,292.50

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

5. [AB2022-460](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement between Whatcom County and City of Bellingham to provide for a pass-through grant for reimbursement of equipment costs to What-Comm Communications Center, in the amount of \$126,251

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

6. [AB2022-461](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement

between Whatcom County and Washington State Health Care Authority to establish an alternative response team to respond to 911 calls that do not require law enforcement, in the amount of \$2,213,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

7. [AB2022-462](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Public Utility District No. 1 of Whatcom County (PUD) to provide funding to complete a Regional Water Supply Plan, in the amount of \$16,000.00 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

8. [AB2022-463](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Michael Bobbink for hearing examiner services

This item was considered separately. See motion and vote below after the Consent Agenda.

9. [AB2022-464](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a two year grant contract between Whatcom County and Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest in the amount \$57,442.00

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

10. [AB2022-466](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a grant contract amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State Health Care Authority to expand the MOUD (Medication for Opioid Use Disorder) program in the Jail, in the amount of \$180,291.00

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

11. [AB2022-470](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Children’s Home Society of Washington for additional support allocated to the Parent for Parent Program, in the total amended amount of \$94,350.00

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

12. [AB2022-472](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Mercy Housing Northwest to provide funding for permanent supportive housing personnel at Trailview Apartments, in the amount of \$209,250

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

13. [AB2022-475](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Crossroads Consulting to expand the term, scope and compensation of the agreement for a total of \$150,950

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

14. [AB2022-476](#) Request approval for the County Executive to enter into a contract with S. S. Papadopulos & Associates, Inc. for the purpose of making refinements and improvements to the Whatcom County Groundwater Model in the amount of \$286,016 (Council acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

15. [AB2022-477](#) Request approval for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment with Tetra Tech, Inc. to provide ongoing technical consulting services for the preparation of

Benefit Cost Analyses (BCA) and grant application submittals in the amount of \$231,551 for a total amended contract amount of \$271,271,551 (Council acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

16. [AB2022-478](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and the Office of Crime Victims Advocacy Community Services and Housing Division in the amount of \$60,461.00 for the SFY 2023 Victim/Witness grant

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

17. [AB2022-479](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and the United State Department of Interior, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) to jointly fund continued stream gaging stations in the Nooksack River in the amount of \$199,672.00 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

18. [AB2022-480](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a Grant Program Agreement between the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and the State of Washington Department of Ecology in the amount of \$ 500,00.00 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

19. [AB2022-483](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Whatcom County and the Deputy Sheriff's Guild for the period

January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2025

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

20. [AB2022-484](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Herrera Environmental Consultants to provide continuing support of the Floodplain Integrated Planning Process (FLIP) in the amount of \$606,500.00 for a total amended contract amount of \$1,199,700.00 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

21. [AB2022-486](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Stryker Corporation and Whatcom County to increase the annual payment for purchase of Advanced Life Support Equipment for the Fifth Paramedic Unit including adding powerload lift equipment to the annual maintenance program in the amount of \$121,545/year for the remaining 8 years of the agreement

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

22. [AB2022-488](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Coastal Geologic Services, Inc., for long-term monitoring of the Birch Bay Drive & Pedestrian Facility in the amount of \$284,800

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

23. [AB2022-491](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Lydia Place to provide emergency housing for families experiencing unsheltered homelessness in the amount of \$107,000 for a total

amended contract amount of \$707,074

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

24. [AB2022-492](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to award a contract to Squalicum Mountain Ecological Restoration Inc., and enter into a contract for annual maintenance costs for plantings on the Birch Bay Drive and Pedestrian Facility in the amount of \$64,617

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

25. [AB2022-494](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement between Whatcom County and Bellingham Food Bank for the provision of food purchases in the amount of \$500,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

26. [AB2022-495](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and The Vida Agency for phase 2 of the communication efforts for the Justice Project in the amount of \$146,984 for a total amount of \$186,907

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

27. [AB2022-496](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and the Washington State Department of Health for the delivery and funding of various public health services in the amount of \$309,314, for a total amended agreement amount of \$8,377,968

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

28. [AB2022-497](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement with the US Department of Agriculture Natural Resource Conservation Service to secure matching funds for the Savage Agricultural Conservation Easement through the Conservation Easement Program

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

29. [AB2022-498](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement with the US Department of Agriculture Natural Resource Conservation Service in order to secure matching funds for the VanderWerff Agricultural Conservation Easement through the Conservation Easement Program

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

30. [AB2022-499](#) Request approval to sign agreement with USDA NRCS in order to secure matching funds for the Vander Veen Agricultural Conservation Easement through the Conservation Easement Program

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

8. [AB2022-463](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Michael Bobbink for hearing examiner services

DISCUSSED AND MOTION(S) APPROVED

Motion approved to hold in Committee and request that Council staff go back to Michael Bobbink and propose a 6 percent increase in the first year and 6 percent in the second year.

Items Added by Revision

Other Business

Adjournment