

Whatcom County

Council Committee of the Whole-Executive Session

COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Committee Minutes - Final

Tuesday, October 7, 2025

8:30 AM

Hybrid Meeting - Council Chambers

HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 9:15 A.M. (PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON, SEE REMOTE JOIN INSTRUCTIONS AT www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil, OR CALL 360.778.5010)

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 8:30 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

Attorney Present: Chris Quinn.

Galloway stated that discussion of agenda item one and two may take place in executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b). Executive session will conclude no later than 9:15 a.m. If the meeting extends beyond the stated conclusion time, the Council chair will make a public announcement.

Buchanan moved to go into executive session until no later than 9:15 a.m. to discuss the agenda items pursuant to the RCW citation as announced by the Council Chair. The motion was seconded by Byrd.

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: 0

Councilmembers entered executive session at 8:32 a.m.

1. [AB2025-631](#)

Discussion with Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor Chris Quinn regarding the potential lease or acquisition of real property [Discussion of this item may take place in executive session (closed to the public) pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b)]

This agenda item was DISCUSSED.

2. [AB2025-696](#)

Discussion regarding the potential lease or acquisition of real property [Discussion of this item may take place in executive session (closed to the public) pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b)]

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 9:15 a.m.

The County Council approved these minutes on October 21, 2025.

ATTEST:



WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WA



Kaylee Galloway, Council Chair

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