

## 2026 WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND BOARD ASSIGNMENTS

As of 12/31/2025

( ) Indicates Committee Chair

County Council Committee Assignments	Barry Buchanan	Elizabeth Boyle	Ben Elenbaas	Kaylee Galloway	Jessica Rienstra	Jon Scanlon	Mark Stremler
Council Chairperson ( <b>Acts as Chair of Council acting in other capacities, Law Library Board, SWISS Exec. Committee, County Finance Committee</b> )				X			
Council Vice-Chairperson						X	
Executive Pro-Tempore ( <b>Can not be on COG</b> )	X					X	X
<b>Standing Committees</b>	<i>per ORD2025-065 / 7 member committees, 1 chair - 2 vice chairs</i>						
Criminal Justice and Public Safety	C	X				X	
Finance & Administrative Services - <b>Chair of Finance Committee will automatically act as Council Rep. to What-Comm Administrative Board and Risk Management Working Group Board of Directors (AB2025-575)</b>		VC				C	
Planning & Development		X	C	VC	C	X	
Public Works and Health	VC	VC			VC	X	
Climate Action and Natural Resources		X		C	VC	X	
<b>Select 2 Natural Res. Committee members as Representatives to Lake Whatcom Policy Group</b>				X	X		
<b>Other Committee Assignments</b>							
Behavioral Health Advisory Committee	X				X		
Bellingham International Airport Advisory							X
Bellingham Regional Chamber of Commerce		X			X		X
Business and Commerce Advisory Committee (non-voting)						X	X
Child and Family Well-Being Task Force		X			X		
Climate Impact Advisory Committee <b>Appoint ONE-Non-Voting (**3 year term) ORD2022-021</b>				X			
Council of Governments (COG) <b>Appoint TWO members to serve on the Full Council (can not be Exec Pro-Tem)</b>				X	X	X	
Council of Governments (COG) <b>Appoint ONE of the above two members to also serve on Transportation Policy Board (cannot be Exec Pro-Tem)</b>					ALT	X	X
Developmental Disabilities Board		X					
Drayton Harbor & Portage Bay Shellfish Protection Districts			X				
EDI Board (changed to 1 CM per AB2024-870)							X
EMS Oversight Board <b>Representative</b>			X	X	X		
EMS Oversight Board <b>Alternate Representative</b>			X	X	X		
Flood Control Zone Committee (Ex Officio)			X		X		X
Forest Advisory Committee ( <b>non voting per AB2025-120</b> )				X			
Health Board Chair						X	

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Incarceration Prevention and Reduction Task Force ( <b>And Appoint one alternate</b> )	X	X	ALT				
Intergovernmental Tribal Relations Committee ( <b>Appt. TWO</b> )		X	X		X	X	
Justice Project Oversight and Planning Committee (JPOP)	X						
Justice Project Finance and Facility Advisory Board	X						
Joint Advisory Workgroup for Justice Project planning purposes (AB2025-699)	X						
LEOFF Board	X						
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)			X		X		
Whatcom County Ferry Advisory Committee - <b>Appoint ONE non-voting attendee</b>			X			X	
<b>OPTIONAL:</b> Whatcom County Ferry Advisory Committee Alt. - <b>Appoint TWO alternates if Council wishes</b>						X	
Marine Resources Committee							
Multi-Agency Coordination (MAC) (AB2023-194)	X				X		
North Sound Behavioral Health Exec. Committee	X						
Northwest Clean Air Agency				X			X
Northwest Regional Council (NWRC)							X
Opportunity Council <b>Appointment not subject to Council annual re-org</b>	(KG serves on this committee until 1/2028)						
Public Defense Advisory			X				
Public Health Advisory Board						X	
Racial Equity Commission <b>Appoint ONE-Non-Voting (** 2 year term)</b> AB2022-590				X	ALT		
Solid Waste Advisory Committee							
SWISS Alternate Committee Member. <i>Council Chair serves on Exec. Committee</i>							X
WSAC Alternate Board Member (The Executive is the active representative, Councilmember is alternate)				X			
WSAC Optional Alternate Board Member (Res2019-008)							
WSAC Legislative Steering Committee				X	ALT		
WSAC Timber Counties Caucus - <b>Optional</b>				X			
WSAC Coastal Counties Caucus - <b>Optional</b>				X			
Whatcom Transportation Authority ( <i>appoint 2 councilmembers per bylaw</i> )	X	X			X		X
Whatcom County Tourism Board (AB2023-194)		X		X			