

# **Whatcom County**

## **Council Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee**

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE**  
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### **Action Summary**

**Tuesday, January 13, 2026**

**1 PM**

**Hybrid Meeting - Council Chambers**

**HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 1:35 P.M. (PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON, SEE REMOTE JOIN INSTRUCTIONS AT [www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil](http://www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil), OR CALL 360.778.5010)**

#### **COUNCILMEMBERS**

Elizabeth Boyle  
Barry Buchanan  
Ben Elenbaas  
Kaylee Galloway  
Jessica Rienstra  
Jon Scanlon  
Mark Stremler

#### **CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

Cathy Halka, AICP, CMC

## **Call To Order**

### **Roll Call**

**Present:** 7 - Elizabeth Boyle, Barry Buchanan, Ben Elenbaas, Kaylee Galloway, Jessica Rienstra, Jon Scanlon, and Mark Stremler

### **Announcements**

### **Special Order of Business**

1. [AB2026-005](#) Nomination and appointment of Committee Chair

#### **APPOINTED**

Appointed Buchanan as Chair and Boyle and Stremler as Vice Chairs.

### **Committee Discussion**

1. [AB2025-873](#) Discussion on Behavioral Care Center model

#### **DISCUSSED**

### **Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council**

1. [AB2026-015](#) Request for motion to establish full term lengths for Justice Project Oversight and Planning (JPOP) Committee members

#### **DISCUSSED AND MOTION(S) APPROVED**

Motion approved to have the JPOP be on staggered four-year terms.

### **Items Added by Revision**

### **Other Business**

### **Adjournment**