

# **Whatcom County Council**

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
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## **Meeting Agenda**

**VIRTUAL MEETING - PUBLIC ENCOURAGED TO VIEW ONLINE**

**Tuesday, March 24, 2020**

**2 PM**

**Council Chambers**

### **COUNCILMEMBERS**

Rud Browne  
Barry Buchanan  
Tyler Byrd  
Todd Donovan  
Ben Elenbaas  
Carol Frazey  
Kathy Kershner

### **CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

## **COUNTY COUNCIL**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **ROLL CALL**

### **FLAG SALUTE**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councilmembers will participate in this meeting remotely through an online web-based meeting platform. Councilmembers will NOT be present in the Council Chambers for the meeting. An audio stream of the online meeting will be available in the Council Chambers and a live stream of the meeting will be available for viewing through the Council's Legislative Information Center.

There will not be an opportunity for verbal public comment at this meeting (comments may be submitted in writing as indicated below). In accordance with the COVID-19 guidance from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the Whatcom County Health Department, gatherings of large groups is currently not recommended due to the potential transmission of disease. Whatcom County strongly encourages members of the public to view this meeting live through the Council's Legislative Information Center at <https://whatcom.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> . Thank you.

### **EXECUTIVE'S REPORT**

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Written comments only. Please send comments to [council@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:council@co.whatcom.wa.us) by 1 p.m. March 24. Please indicate in your email which of the hearing items you are commenting on. Thank you.

1. [AB2020-121](#) Resolution regarding support for a Community Development Block Grant funding application and review of current CDBG funding opportunities

Written comments only. Please send comments to [council@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:council@co.whatcom.wa.us) by 1 p.m. March 24. Please indicate in your email that you are submitting comments for AB2020-121. Thank you.

2. [AB2020-154](#) Resolution supporting a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Economic Opportunities grant application

Written comments only. Please send comments to [council@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:council@co.whatcom.wa.us) by 1 p.m. March 24. Please indicate in your email that you are submitting comments for AB2020-154. Thank you.

### **OPEN SESSION**

No open session is scheduled for this evening. Please send comments to [council@co.whatcom.wa.us](mailto:council@co.whatcom.wa.us) by 1 p.m. March 24. Please indicate in your email that you are submitting comments for open session. Thank you.

### **OTHER ITEMS**

1. [AB2020-110](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Freedom 2000, LLC dba Cando Recycling and Disposal to lease the Johnson Road Transfer Station Facility in Point Roberts, in the amount of \$750 per month
2. [AB2020-118](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 6, in the amount of \$339,615
3. [AB2020-119](#) Ordinance establishing the Swift Creek Capital Projects Fund and establishing a project based budget for Swift Creek Capital Projects
4. [AB2020-120](#) Ordinance authorizing an interfund loan to finance cash flow for the Swift Creek Capital Projects Fund
5. [AB2020-140](#) Request approval for the Council Chair to sign on behalf of the Council the 2020 PIC (Pollution Identification and Correction) Program introductory letter
6. [AB2020-127](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and the City of Lynden to remove Yakima County Jail and add Kittitas County Jail as a Correctional Facility utilized by Whatcom County
7. [AB2020-128](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and the Whatcom Humane Society to extend the term of the agreement an additional eight months through December 31, 2020
8. [AB2020-133](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to amend a contract between Whatcom County and Washington State Military for the FY2017 Operation Stonegarden Program grant extending the expiration date, revising Key Personnel, and adjusting grant timeline dates
9. [AB2020-134](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and the City of Bellingham to provide administrative oversight of the Domestic Violence Perpetrator Opportunity for Treatment Services in the amount \$100,000
10. [AB2020-152](#) Discussion regarding rental eviction proceedings associated with COVID-19 public health emergency
11. [AB2020-149](#) Emergency ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 8, in the amount of \$1,155,821
12. [AB2020-153](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Commerce for emergency housing funding necessary to immediately respond to the COVID-19 outbreak, in the amount of \$905,821

- 13. [AB2020-155](#) Discussion regarding property tax law as it related to COVID-19
- 14. [AB2020-156](#) Discussion with PDS regarding ideas received from the BIAWC related to health order essential function
- 15. [AB2020-160](#) Presentation from Lummi Nation related to COVID-19

**ITEM ADDED 3.23.2020**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES**

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