

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

COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
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**Action Summary**

VIRTUAL MEETING - MAY BEGIN EARLY;  
ENDS NO LATER THAN 12:15 P.M.

**Tuesday, November 24, 2020**

**10:35 AM**

**Virtual Meeting**

**COUNCILMEMBERS**

Rud Browne  
Tyler Byrd  
Kathy Kershner

**CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

## Call To Order

### Roll Call

**Present:** 3 - Rud Browne, Tyler Byrd and Kathy Kershner

**Absent:** None

Also Present: Carol Frazey, Ben Elenbaas, and Todd Donovan

### Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council

1. [AB2020-494](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 21, in the amount of \$316,676

**RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

2. [AB2020-495](#) Ordinance establishing the Shallow Shore Culvert Relocation Fund and establishing a project based budget for the Shallow Shore Culvert Relocation Fund

**RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

3. [AB2020-496](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Public Safety Radio System Fund, request no. 2

**RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

4. [AB2020-545](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a Transfer Option Agreement between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council for the transfer of property located at 1000 North Forest Street for the purposes of developing 60 permanently affordable homes for seniors

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT(S)**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

A motion was approved to recommend approval of an amendment to The Agreement Section 2 as follows:  
This Agreement will terminate in five years if the Grantee has either (a) not received the notice described in paragraph 1 above by that date, or (b) not received loans or grants that are adequate to fully fund the development of the Project and cause federal low- income housing tax credits to be available for the Project.

5. [AB2020-472](#) Resolution certifying amounts to be levied by Whatcom County taxing districts to the County Assessor

**FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

**Council "Consent Agenda" Items**

1. [AB2020-528](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington Traffic Safety Commission for overtime funding to conduct high visibility enforcement (HVE) traffic safety emphasis patrols to address impaired driving, distracted driving, and motorcycle safety, in the amount of \$7,800.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

2. [AB2020-529](#) Resolution ordering the cancellation of unredeemed checks (warrants) more than one year old

**RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

3. [AB2020-530](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Compass Health to provide reimbursement for COVID-19 related operations and prevention expenditures, in the amount of \$157,721

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

4. [AB2020-531](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Lighthouse Mission Ministries to extend the contract for two months in the amount of \$51,543 for a total amended contract amount of \$347,443

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

5. [AB2020-532](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the Washington State Health Care Authority to support Medicaid related outreach and linkage activities to Whatcom County residents

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

6. [AB2020-533](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and SeaMar Community Health Services to provide operational support of the Whatcom County COVID-19 Temporary Housing Facility, in the amount of \$238,650

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 2 - Browne and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

**Abstain:** 1 - Byrd

7. [AB2020-534](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Sustainable Connections to support a marketing campaign aimed at stimulating and supporting economic health and recovery of small businesses in Whatcom County, in response to COVID-19, in the amount of \$160,000

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

8. [AB2020-537](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to provide reimbursement for COVID-19 related operations and prevention expenditures, in the amount of \$35,000 for a total amended contract amount of \$308,500

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

9. [AB2020-539](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Sargent Engineers, Inc. to increase the original contract amount of \$45,000 by \$30,000 for a new amount not to exceed \$75,000

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

10. [AB2020-540](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Trantech Engineering, LLC to increase the original contract amount of \$45,000 by \$45,000 for a new amount not to exceed \$90,000

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

11. [AB2020-541](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Washington State Military Department to update the Whatcom County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, in the amount of \$75,000

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

12. [AB2020-547](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Bellingham School District for reimbursement of eligible COVID-related technology expenses, in the amount of \$449,185

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 2 - Browne and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

**Abstain:** 1 - Byrd

13. [AB2020-548](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Ferndale School District for reimbursement of eligible COVID-related PPE and technology expenses, in the amount of \$186,000

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 2 - Browne and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

**Abstain:** 1 - Byrd

14. [AB2020-550](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and SeaMar Community Health Services in the amount of \$506,546.46 for a total amended contract amount of \$1,619,708

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 0

**Items Added by Revision**

**Other Business**

**Adjournment**