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WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
**Finance and Administrative Services Committee**

February 26, 2019

**CALL TO ORDER**

Committee Chair Satpal Sidhu called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, Washington.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Tyler Byrd, Carol Frazey and Satpal Sidhu  
**Absent:** None  
**Also Present:** Barbara Brenner, Barry Buchanan, Rud Browne, and Todd Donovan

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT**

There were no reports.

Councilmembers and the Executive discussed the day's meeting schedule.

**COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

**1. AB2019-102 DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO THE UNIFIED FEE SCHEDULE TO ACCOMMODATE CHANGES TO THE AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES (AIS) ORDINANCE WCC 2.27A (PUBLIC HEARING ON RELATED ORDINANCE SCHEDULED FOR THIS EVENING UNDER AB2019-106)**

Gary Stoyka, Public Works Department, gave a staff report on creating a one-day pass, creating a lower rate for small motorized boats that don't require a State license, and changing the motorized fee rate for a season pass.

***Frazey moved*** to recommend approval to the full Council.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Frazey and Sidhu (2)  
**Nays:** None (0)  
**Absent:** Byrd (1)

**COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

**1. AB2019-135 REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY (DOE) FOR WATER QUALITY COMBINED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANT AGREEMENT WQC-2017-WHCOPW-00030 FOR THE AGATE BAY STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$552,548.62**

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2 **Frazey moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.  
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4 The motion carried by the following vote:

5 **Ayes:** Frazey and Sidhu (2)

6 **Nays:** None (0)

7 **Absent:** Byrd (1)  
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9 **2. AB2019-124 ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2019 WHATCOM COUNTY**  
10 **BUDGET, REQUEST NO. 2, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,901,742**  
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12 The following staff answered questions on the Courthouse building envelope  
13 project:

- 14 • Rob Ney, Administrative Services Department
- 15 • Jack Louws, County Executive

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17 *(Clerk's Note: Councilmember Byrd arrived at 10:19 a.m.)*  
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19 **Frazey moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.  
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21 The motion carried by the following vote:

22 **Ayes:** Byrd, Frazey, and Sidhu (3)

23 **Nays:** None (0)  
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25 **3. AB2019-128 ORDINANCE AMENDING COURTHOUSE BUILDING ENVELOPE**  
26 **PROJECT BUDGET (AS ESTABLISHED THROUGH ORDINANCE 2014-085)**  
27 **THIRD REQUEST, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,700,000 FOR A TOTAL PROJECT**  
28 **BUDGET OF \$7,377,809**  
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30 **Byrd moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.  
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32 Rob Ney, Administrative Services Department, answered questions on whether  
33 this solution will solve the problems.  
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35 The motion carried by the following vote:

36 **Ayes:** Byrd, Frazey, and Sidhu (3)

37 **Nays:** None (0)  
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39 **4. AB2019-137 RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THAT THE**  
40 **WHATCOM COUNTY PROSECUTOR ASK THE WASHINGTON STATE ATTORNEY**  
41 **GENERAL TO REVIEW AND UPDATE OPINIONS PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED**  
42 **RELATED TO THE ELIGIBILITY OF COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND**  
43 **COMMISSIONERS TO BE APPOINTED TO VACANT LEGISLATIVE POSITIONS**  
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45 Councilmembers discussed getting elected or appointed to an office while already  
46 serving in another office.  
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48 **Frazey moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.  
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50 The motion carried by the following vote:

51 **Ayes:** Byrd, Frazey, and Sidhu (3)

52 **Nays:** None (0)  
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1 **5. AB2019-126 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2019 FLOOD CONTROL ZONE**  
2 **DISTRICT AND SUBZONES BUDGET, REQUEST NO. 2, IN THE AMOUNT OF**  
3 **\$90,659 (COUNCIL ACTING AS THE WHATCOM COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL**  
4 **ZONE DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS)**

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6 **Byrd moved** to recommend approval to the Flood Control Zone District Board of  
7 Supervisors.

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9 Gary Stoyka, Public Works Department, gave a staff report and answered  
10 questions about the surface water and groundwater modeling project.

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12 The motion carried by the following vote:

13 **Ayes:** Byrd, Frazey, and Sidhu (3)

14 **Nays:** None (0)

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17 **OTHER BUSINESS**

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19 There was no other business.

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22 **ADJOURN**

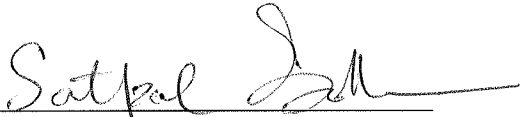
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24 The meeting adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

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27 ATTEST:

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33 Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

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38 Jill Nixon, Minutes Transcription

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
Satpal Sidhu, Committee Chair