

Whatcom County Council

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, November 6, 2019

7 PM

Council Chambers

COUNCILMEMBERS

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CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH WHATCOM COUNTY CODE SECTIONS 2.02.040 AND 2.02.060, THE FOLLOWING RULES SHALL APPLY DURING ALL COUNCIL AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Section 2.02.040 Meetings – General rules.

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E. All council and council committee meetings shall be conducted pursuant to The American Institute of Parliamentarians Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure, latest edition, except when in conflict with the standing rules of the council.

L. During an open session or public hearing, audience members will be given three minutes to address the council.

M. Cell phones shall be silenced and cell phone conversations shall be prohibited within the confines of the council chambers during meetings.

N. Placards, signs, applause, or other distractions shall not be allowed in the council chambers without the consent of the council chair.

O. Any person making personal, impertinent, or slanderous remarks, or who becomes boisterous, while attending a council or council committee meeting may be requested to leave the meeting and may be forthwith, by the presiding officer, barred from further audience before the council during that meeting.

2.02.060 Meetings – Decorum of debate.

A. Any councilmember desiring to speak shall first be recognized by the chair, and shall confine his or her remarks to the specific subject under consideration or to be considered. The councilmember who has proposed a motion or the committee member who has presented a report shall be allowed the first opportunity to explain the motion or report, and usually is allowed to speak last on it. No member or small group of members shall be permitted to monopolize the discussion on a question. If a member has already spoken and other members wish to speak, they should be recognized in preference to the member who has already spoken on a question.

B. Councilmembers shall address each other as “councilmember” and the council chair shall be addressed as “chair.”

C. Staff members, presenters, and the general public shall be addressed as Mr., Mrs., Ms., or by their official or honorary title.

D. When two or more councilmembers desire to speak at the same time, the chair shall name the member who shall have the floor.

E. When a councilmember is speaking, no other member shall hold discourse which may interrupt the speaker except to raise a point of order. The chair should insist that every member be attentive to the business before the assembly.

F. Councilmembers shall have time to explain any motion they intend to make. All motions will begin with the words, "I move" and must receive a second prior to being put to a vote.

G. When it appears that all councilmembers who wish to speak have done so, the chair shall inquire, "Is there any further discussion?" If there is not, the question is put to a vote.

H. To bring a question to immediate vote, a councilmember may move to close debate. If more than one motion is pending, the motion to close debate should specify the pending motions to which it applies (main motion, motion to amend, etc.). The motion to close debate cannot interrupt a speaker, is not debatable, and requires an affirmative vote by two-thirds of the councilmembers in attendance. The motion to close debate should be used in moderation, as members cannot be expected to maintain interest in an organization if they are frequently denied the right to participate in its deliberations.

COUNTY COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you will be handing out paperwork to councilmembers, please give one copy to the clerk for our office files. Thank you.

MINUTES CONSENT

1. [MIN2019-116](#) Regular County Council for October 22, 2019

INTRODUCTION ITEMS

Council action will not be taken. The council may accept these items for introduction (no action) in a single motion. Changes, in terms of committee assignment for example, may be made at this time.

1. [AB2019-552](#) Ordinance amending the 2019 Whatcom County budget, request no. 14, in the amount of \$72,853
2. [AB2019-553](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Lummi Nation Ferry Lease Fund, Request No. 2
3. [AB2019-562](#) Ordinance Amending the Project Budget for the Criminal Justice Integrated Case Management Systems Fund, Request No. 1
4. [AB2019-564](#) Ordinance amending the Project Budget for the Lake Whatcom Park Trail Development Fund, Request No. 1
5. [AB2019-565](#) Ordinance Amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, Request No. 1, in the amount of \$18,918,279
6. [AB2019-542](#) Ordinance authorizing the levy of taxes for countywide emergency medical purposes for 2020
7. [AB2019-543](#) Ordinance authorizing the levy of taxes for Conservation Futures purposes for 2020
8. [AB2019-544](#) Ordinance authorizing the 2020 property tax levy for county road purposes
9. [AB2019-546](#) Ordinance limiting the 2020 General Fund property tax levy
10. [AB2019-547](#) Ordinance authorizing the levy of taxes for County and State purposes in Whatcom County Washington for the year of 2020

11. [AB2019-285](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Title 3, requiring that public funds used for construction projects do double duty by also providing apprentices with job training hours to meet the requirements necessary to become the next generation of skilled trades persons
12. [AB2019-551](#) Resolution adopting 2020 budget for the Point Roberts Transportation Benefit District
13. [AB2019-568](#) Resolution authorizing the County Executive to enter into a twenty year communications tower lease agreement with Crown Castle GT for leased space on park property at Lookout Mountain

TITLE REVISED 11.5.2019
14. [AB2019-545](#) Resolution authorizing the Board of Supervisors of the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District (WCFCZD) to impose an ad valorem property tax levy of up to fifty cents per thousand dollars of assessed value upon real property within the district in 2020
15. [AB2019-557](#) Resolution adopting the 2020 budget for the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Subzones (Council acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Audience members who wish to address the council during a public hearing are asked to sign up at the back of the room before the meeting begins. The council chair will ask those who have signed up to form a line at the podium. Each speaker should state his or her name for the record and optionally include city of residence. Speakers will be given three minutes to address the council. Council staff will keep track of time limits and inform speakers when they have thirty seconds left to conclude their comments. When a large group of individuals supports the same position on an issue, we encourage the selection of one or two representatives to speak on behalf of the entire group.

1. [AB2019-528](#) Resolution authorizing the sale of surplus personal property pursuant to WCC 1.10
2. [AB2019-529](#) Resolution authorizing the sale of surplus real property (building only) pursuant to WCC 1.10
3. [AB2019-531](#) Ordinance adopting interim zoning regulations for the siting, establishment, and operation of temporary homeless facilities

OPEN SESSION (20 MINUTES)

During open session, audience members can speak to the council on any issue not scheduled for public hearing. Each speaker should state his or her name for the record and optionally include city of residence. Speakers will be given three minutes to address the council. Council staff will keep track of time limits and inform speakers when they have thirty seconds left to conclude their comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items under this section of the agenda may be considered in a single motion. Councilmembers have received and studied background material on all items. Committee review has taken place on these items, as indicated. Any member of the public, administrative staff, or council may ask that an item be considered separately.

(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. [AB2019-549](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Herrera Environmental Consultants to expand the scope of work and increase the contract amount by \$65,135 for a new amount not to exceed \$164,956
2. [AB2019-561](#) Request authorization for the Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and SoftResources, LLC for consulting services to assist Whatcom County's plan to replace the current J.D. Edwards World enterprise resource planning (ERP) system in the amount of \$119,201.25
3. [AB2019-567](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Washington State Military Department to utilize Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) program funds to prepare for all hazards through sustainment and enhancement of Division of Emergency Management programs, in the amount of \$73,478
4. [AB2019-570](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment with Daniel A. Swedlow, Summit Law Group, to serve as Professional Negotiator and provide legal services for collective bargaining, negotiations, mediation, binding interest arbitration, and other actions brought by a Union
5. [AB2019-537](#) Request approval for the County Executive to authorize the purchase of vehicle body repair services, using the Washington State Contract #05015, in an annual amount not to exceed \$70,000

OTHER ITEMS**(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)**

1. [AB2019-535](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Bellingham for partial funding of maintenance and operations of the Crisis Triage Facility, in the amount of \$59,000
2. [AB2019-563](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State University for Master Gardener Program support at County Park Sites
3. [AB2019-548](#) Resolution approving the 2020 recommended Convention Center Fund allocations

4. [AB2019-558](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to approve a Pass-Through Agreement between the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife in the amount of \$216,815 and to execute a purchase and sale agreement that is consistent with the provisions and purchase price in the agreement (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

5. [AB2019-559](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a grant amendment between the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and the Washington State Military Department to supplement the grant scope and budget in the amount of \$169,613 for a total amended grant amount of \$512,350 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

(From Council Special Committee of the Whole)

6. [AB2019-573](#) Resolution acknowledging receipt of a citizen petition to form a no shooting zone in Whatcom County to be known as the Dearborn No Shooting Zone

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

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