

Whatcom County Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

10 AM

Hybrid Meeting - Council Chambers

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COUNCILMEMBERS

Barry Buchanan
Tyler Byrd
Todd Donovan

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Cathy Halka, AICP, CMC

Call To Order

Roll Call

Announcements

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Council "Consent Agenda" Items

1. [AB2025-580](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and North Sound Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization to fund the Recovery Navigator Program to enhance LEAD programming in the amount of \$256,227.50, for a total amended contract amount of \$1,639,137.50
2. [AB2025-582](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Whatcom Law Group/Rajeev Majumdar for 2026 hearing examiner services, in an amount of \$118,779.60, for a total amended contract amount of \$344,599.60
3. [AB2025-583](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State Health Care Authority to provide funding for the Alternative Response Team (ART) Program in the amount of \$1,174,000, for a total amended agreement amount of \$4,561,000
4. [AB2025-586](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC) for the Registered Sex Offender Address and Residency Verification Program, in the amount of \$130,767.67
5. [AB2025-589](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Snohomish County for neuropathology services, in the amount of \$4,500
6. [AB2025-604](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Administrative Office of the Courts to support Mental Health Court, in the amount of \$194,198
7. [AB2025-606](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a five year grant agreement between Whatcom County and the US Forest Service for the Offender Forestry Work Crew Program in the amount of \$540,062.62

8. [AB2025-607](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a grant agreement between Whatcom County and the Washington State Department of Ecology for Watershed Resources Inventory Area No. 1 (WRIA 1) water rights adjudication technical assistance, in the amount of \$200,000 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)
9. [AB2025-609](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a 15-month contract between Whatcom County and Trinity Services Group, Inc., for Jail Food Services, in the amount of \$1,239,500
10. [AB2025-611](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Summit Construction Group, Inc for tenant improvements and HVAC replacement at the Parks Department administrative office and annex in the amount of \$58,694 for a total amended contract amount of \$999,950
11. [AB2025-613](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and the Washington State Department of Ecology to provide a Washington Conservation Corps Crew and supervisor, in the amount of \$258,720 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)
12. [AB2025-615](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State Health Care Authority to expand the operational capabilities of the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion//Let Everyone Advance with Dignity (LEAD) Program in the amount of \$1,466,580, for a total amended agreement amount of \$1,886,580
13. [AB2025-621](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State Health Care Authority to coordinate and implement prevention programs and strategies in the amount of \$2,350,000, for a total amended agreement amount of \$3,670,000
14. [AB2025-622](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and the Opportunity Council for operation of the East Whatcom Regional Resource Center in the amount of \$50,000 in 2025 and \$51,500 annually thereafter, for a total contract amount of \$155,412 in 2025 and \$156,912 annually thereafter
15. [AB2025-624](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Lydia Place to support the rehabilitation and remodel of a transitional housing facility for large families, in the amount of \$166,950

16. [AB2025-625](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the Administrative Office of the Courts for services related to the Volunteer Guardian Ad Litem (VGAL) Program, in the amount of \$84,523
17. [AB2025-626](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the Administrative Office of the Courts for services related to Becca cases regarding At-Risk Youth, Truancy, and Child in Need of Services, in the amount of \$98,853
18. [AB2025-627](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement between Whatcom County and Trinity Food Services Group for food services for juvenile detention, in the amount not to exceed \$10,476 for the remainder of 2025 and \$41,904 for 2026

Special Presentation

1. [AB2025-602](#) Quarterly Report from the Finance Division

Committee Discussion

1. [AB2025-596](#) Discussion of a resolution to declare Whatcom County real property as surplus and approve transfer
ON COUNCIL AGENDA FOR INTRODUCTION (SEE AB2025-597)
2. [AB2025-610](#) Discussion of a resolution amending the 2025 Flood Control Zone District and Subzones Budget, request no. 3, in the amount of \$105,000
ON COUNCIL AGENDA FOR INTRODUCTION (SEE AB2025-608)
3. [AB2025-617](#) Discussion of an ordinance establishing a project-based budget for the Jail Reentry Improvements project
ON COUNCIL AGENDA FOR INTRODUCTION (SEE AB2025-614)
4. [AB2025-629](#) Discussion of an ordinance amending the 2025 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 10, in the amount of \$1,820,416
ON COUNCIL AGENDA FOR INTRODUCTION (SEE AB2025-628)

Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council

1. [AB2025-558](#) Ordinance amending the 2025 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 9, in the amount of \$956,986
2. [AB2025-587](#) Request for motion to approve the 2025-2027 Criminal Justice Treatment Account (CJTA) Plan

3. [AB2025-612](#) Request Council review and approval of the Economic Development Board's recommendation for 2026 funding for infrastructure and housing projects

Items Added by Revision

Other Business

Adjournment