

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

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
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**Action Summary**

**Tuesday, January 9, 2024  
1 PM  
Hybrid Meeting**

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**COUNCILMEMBERS**

Tyler Byrd  
Todd Donovan  
Kaylee Galloway

**CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

## **Call To Order**

## **Roll Call**

**Present:** 3 - Todd Donovan, Tyler Byrd, and Kaylee Galloway

Also Present: Barry Buchanan, Ben Elenbaas, Jon Scanlon, and Mark Stremler

## **Announcements**

## **Special Order of Business**

1. [AB2024-059](#) Nomination and appointment of Committee Chair

### **NOMINATED AND APPOINTED**

Todd Donovan was appointed as Chair.

## **Council "Consent Agenda" Items**

1. [AB2024-003](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Catholic Community Services to support case management and operations and maintenance at the Francis Place permanent supportive housing facility in the amount of \$314,529 for a total amended contract amount of \$484,570

### **RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

2. [AB2024-004](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal amendment between Whatcom County and the City of Blaine to extend the term of the Jail Use Agreement until December 31, 2024

### **RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

3. [AB2024-005](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Jessica Dubek, DDS of DentAll, PLLC for Inmate Dental Services in the amount of \$80,000 for a total amended amount of \$116,000.00

### **RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

Nay: 0

4. [AB2024-007](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Cordant Health Solutions for Jail Alternatives Drug Testing in the amount of \$11,035.00 for a total amended amount of \$68,140.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

Aye: 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

Nay: 0

5. [AB2024-024](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Social & Health Services Developmental Disabilities Administration to provide services for people with developmental disabilities in the amount of \$609,873 for a total amended agreement amount of \$6,069,370

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

Aye: 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

Nay: 0

6. [AB2024-025](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission for the Sheriff's Office boating safety program to continue to receive Vessel Registration Fees (VRF) and Recreational Boating Safety (RBS) grant funds

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

Aye: 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

Nay: 0

7. [AB2024-026](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Northwest Regional Council for Nursing Services in the Jail and Juvenile Detention in the amount of \$1,924,551.06 for a total amended amount of \$8,357,536.17

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

Aye: 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

Nay: 0

8. [AB2024-029](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interagency agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Commerce to receive state funds to conduct climate planning activities in association with the 2025 Comprehensive Plan and development regulations update, in the amount of \$475,000

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

9. [AB2024-033](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Lydia Place to provide housing case management services in the amount of \$500,112 for a total amended contract amount of \$1,566,919

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

10. [AB2024-035](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Natural Resources for the collection, processing, and delivery of lidar topographic and bathymetric mapping of the Nooksack and Sumas rivers, in the amount of \$349,600 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

11. [AB2024-036](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Marvin Wayne M.D., P.S. for the provision of Medical Program Director services in the amount of \$255,000.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

This item was discussed further during "Other Business."

12. [AB2024-037](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Master's Touch LLC to provide printing and mailing of tax statements

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

13. [AB2024-038](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and AXIOM Armored Transport to provide armored car services in the amended amount of \$21,600 plus fuel surcharge for a total amended

amount of \$58,000 plus fuel surcharge

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

14. [AB2024-051](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a three year contract between Whatcom County and PeaceHealth St. Joseph's Medical Center to provide emergency medical services for jail inmates in the amount of \$230,0000 per year

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

15. [AB2023-811](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Everson for Department of Homeland Security FY2022 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG), in the amount of \$12,000.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

16. [AB2023-813](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Ferndale for Department of Homeland Security FY2022 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG), in the amount of \$12,000.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

17. [AB2023-814](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Lynden for Department of Homeland Security FY2022 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG), in the amount of \$12,000.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

18. [AB2023-815](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Sumas for Department of Homeland Security FY2022 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG), in the amount of \$12,000.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

Nay: 0

19. [AB2023-816](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Blaine for Department of Homeland Security FY2022 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG), in the amount of \$12,000.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

Aye: 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

Nay: 0

20. [AB2023-817](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife for Department of Homeland Security FY2022 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG), in the amount of \$8,000.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

Aye: 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

Nay: 0

21. [AB2023-827](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into contract amendments between Whatcom County and Washington State Military Department for Operation Stonegarden FY21 to extend the end date of the grant agreement, update the grant's personnel contact information and add \$73,125.00 for a total amended contract amount of \$229,417.50

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

Aye: 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

Nay: 0

22. [AB2023-836](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Northwest Youth Services to provide prevention services that reduce risk to LGBTQ+ youth in the amount of \$25,000 for a total amended contract amount of \$100,000

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

Aye: 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

Nay: 0

### **Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council**

1. [AB2024-001](#) Resolution updating the appendix of the 2022 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)

**RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

2. [AB2024-002](#) Request for motion to approve the updated Criminal Justice Treatment Account (CJTA) plan

**RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL OF REQUEST**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

3. [AB2023-822](#) Ordinance adopting two-tenths of one-percent sales and use tax for the purpose of funding public health, safety, and justice facilities and services, including a new county jail, behavioral health, supportive housing, public safety, and criminal justice facilities and programs

**RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

4. [AB2023-840](#) Ordinance amending the 2023 Whatcom County Budget, request no 17, in the amount of \$1,400,000

**RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**

**Aye:** 3 - Donovan, Byrd, and Galloway

**Nay:** 0

**Items Added by Revision**

**Other Business**

**Adjournment**