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PROPOSED BY: _____
INTRODUCTION DATE: JUNE 18, 2024

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AMENDING WHATCOM COUNTY CODE 2.02.080, STANDING COMMITTEES –
MEMBERSHIP, TO CHANGE THE MEMBERSHIP OF ALL STANDING COUNCIL
COMMITTEES FROM THREE MEMBERS TO SEVEN**

WHEREAS, Whatcom County Code Section 2.02.080, Standing Committees – Membership, states that there shall be three members of all standing council committees; and

WHEREAS, all councilmembers typically attend every council committee meeting and participate in committee discussion; and

WHEREAS, expanding council committees to include all councilmembers can increase representation, enhance engagement, offer broader knowledge and expertise, and provide for greater flexibility and collaboration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that Whatcom County Code 2.02.080 is hereby amended as indicated in Exhibit A to this ordinance.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2024

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Cathy Halka, Clerk of the Council

Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Approved Denied

/s/George Roche approved via email/LB
George Roche
Civil Deputy Prosecutor

Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

1 **EXHIBIT A**

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3 **2.02.080 Standing Committees – Membership.**

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5 A. ~~There shall be three members of all standing committees, membership to be~~
6 ~~determined by an affirmative vote of a majority of the entire council, or by general~~
7 ~~consent where applicable. All seven councilmembers shall serve on all council~~
8 ~~standing committees.~~ The committee members shall be responsible for election of a
9 chairperson and its internal organization.