

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

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Action Summary

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

10:35 AM

Hybrid Meeting - Council Chambers

**HYBRID MEETING (PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON, SEE REMOTE JOIN
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COUNCILMEMBERS

Barry Buchanan
Tyler Byrd
Todd Donovan

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Cathy Halka, AICP, CMC

Call To Order

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Tyler Byrd, Todd Donovan, and Barry Buchanan

Also Present: Ben Elenbaas, Kaylee Galloway, Jon Scanlon, and Mark Stremler

Announcements

Council "Consent Agenda" Items

1. [AB2025-141](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Matrix Consulting Group, Ltd. to evaluate human resources policies and procedures

SUBSTITUTE RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Donovan, and Buchanan

Nay: 0

2. [AB2025-169](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the Nooksack Indian Tribe to establish responsibilities of each party in regards to the Acme Woody Revetment Repair project, in the amount of \$0 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Donovan, and Buchanan

Nay: 0

3. [AB2025-173](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Pacific Security to provide security services at the Whatcom County Courthouse for \$222,416.14

This item was considered separately below.

4. [AB2025-175](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Health to provide funding for various public health programs in the amount of \$5,265,283

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Donovan, and Buchanan

Nay: 0

5. [AB2025-177](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment

between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to operate the Whatcom Homeless Service Center in the amount of \$342,051, for a total amended contract amount of \$2,697,403

This item was considered separately below.

6. [AB2025-178](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission for Recreational Boating Safety Federal Financial Assistance Grant MLE 325-530, in the amount of \$27,028.24

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Donovan, and Buchanan

Nay: 0

7. [AB2025-179](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Blaine for Correctional Services

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Donovan, and Buchanan

Nay: 0

8. [AB2025-182](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Cascadia Youth Mental Health to support school substance use policies and practices that align with effective prevention strategies in the amount of \$21,640, for a total amended contract amount of \$179,910

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Donovan, and Buchanan

Nay: 0

Council "Consent Agenda" Items Considered Separately

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RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION

Aye: 2 - Donovan, and Buchanan

Nay: 1 - Byrd

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amount of \$2,697,403

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION

Aye: 2 - Donovan, and Buchanan

Nay: 1 - Byrd

Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council

1. [AB2025-160](#) Ordinance closing the Shallow Shore Culvert Relocation Fund 3917

RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Donovan, and Buchanan

Nay: 0

2. [AB2025-162](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the new Public Health, Safety and Justice Facility, request no. 7

RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Donovan, and Buchanan

Nay: 0

3. [AB2025-164](#) Ordinance amending the 2025 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 2, in the amount of \$4,751,265

SUBSTITUTE RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Donovan, and Buchanan

Nay: 0

Items Added by Revision

Other Business

Adjournment