

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

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Action Summary

Tuesday, December 6, 2022

11:05 AM

Hybrid Meeting

**HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 1 P.M. (PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON AT 311
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COUNCILMEMBERS

Tyler Byrd
Carol Frazey
Kathy Kershner

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

Call To Order

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Tyler Byrd, Carol Frazey, and Kathy Kershner

Absent: None

Also Present: Barry Buchanan, Todd Donovan, and Kaylee Galloway

Announcements

Special Presentation

1. [AB2022-712](#) Report from the Finance Division

WITHDRAWN

Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council

1. [AB2022-657](#) Ordinance amending the Silver Beach Creek Stormwater Improvements Project Fund, request No. 1

RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

2. [AB2022-659](#) Ordinance amending the 2023 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 1, in the amount of \$9,737,304

RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

3. [AB2022-660](#) Ordinance amending the project based budget for the North Lake Samish Road Bridge No. 107 Replacement Fund, request no. 2

RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

4. [AB2022-662](#) Ordinance amending the 2022 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 16, in the

amount of \$636,513

RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

5. [AB2022-675](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and World Relief Western Washington to facilitate distribution of refugee relief funds, in the amount of \$150,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

6. [AB2022-677](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Northwest Youth Services to support the Positive Adolescent Development Program in the amount of \$115,000

RECOMMENDED TO HOLD IN COMMITTEE

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

7. [AB2022-681](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to provide housing case management services in the amount of \$607,235 for a total amended contract amount of \$1,456,130

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION

Aye: 2 - Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Byrd

Absent: 0

8. [AB2022-678](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Northwest Youth Services to provide housing case management services in the amount of \$482,572 for a total amended contract amount of \$1,053,814

RECOMMENDED TO HOLD IN COMMITTEE

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Council "Consent Agenda" Items

1. [AB2022-667](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Whatcom Conservation District for outreach, education and technical assistance with BBWARM stormwater programs, in the amount of \$93,000 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

2. [AB2022-668](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Whatcom Conservation District for education and outreach assistance with Lake Whatcom stormwater utility stormwater programs, in the amount of \$64,600

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

3. [AB2022-676](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Lydia Place to support operations at the permanent supportive housing facility known as Heart House in the amount of \$63,000 for a total amended contract amount of \$120,145

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

4. [AB2022-679](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Julota to integrate data among various data storage platforms used to track and monitor services and care provided to individuals frequently seen by the Health Department's Response Systems Division Programs in the amount of \$85,207 for a total amended contract amount of \$168,418

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

5. [AB2022-680](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Sun Community Services for emergency shelter operations at Sun House, in the amount of \$482,755

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

6. [AB2022-683](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Thomson Reuters for legal research purposes, in the amount of \$87,234.19

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

7. [AB2022-684](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Services to operate emergency domestic violence shelters, in the amount of \$50,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

8. [AB2022-685](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Bellingham to provide funding to support the GRACE Program in the amount of \$392,000 annually

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

9. [AB2022-686](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement

between Whatcom County and Acme Water District No. 18 (Water District) for inclusion of the Water District's utility improvements into the Jones Creek Debris Flow Risk Reduction Project, for a cost share amount of \$33,000.00 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

10. [AB2022-687](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the U.S Department of Justice for the FY 2022 Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Technology and Equipment Program Grant, in the amount of \$300,000.00

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

11. [AB2022-689](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Whatcom Conservation District (WCD) for continued technical assistance for Flood Project Implementation, in the amount of \$40,000.00 over two years (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

12. [AB2022-690](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Northwest Regional Council to extend Nursing Services in the Jail and increase the maximum annual compensation by \$128,382.00 for a total of \$1,782,522

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

13. [AB2022-691](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement

between Whatcom County and Washington Traffic Safety Commission for High Visibility Enforcement (HVE) patrols, in the amount of \$8,250.00

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

14. [AB2022-692](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington Traffic Safety Commission for High Visibility Enforcement (HVE) patrols to address road safety for pedestrians and bicyclists, in the amount of \$14,000.00

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

15. [AB2022-693](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and U.S. Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration for Cooperative State and Local Task Force Agreement FY2023

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

16. [AB2022-697](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a Local Agency Standard Consultant Agreement Supplemental No. 1 between Whatcom County and KPFF, Inc. to provide on-call professional mechanical engineering support for the Whatcom County ferry program in the amount of \$40,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

17. [AB2022-698](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a Local Agency Standard Consultant Agreement Supplemental No. 1 between Whatcom County and KPFF, Inc. to provide on-call professional structural engineering support for the Whatcom County bridge program

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

18. [AB2022-699](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a Local Agency Standard Consultant Agreement Supplement No. 1 between Whatcom County and Trantech Engineering, LLC to provide on-call professional structural engineering support for the Whatcom County bridge program in the amount of \$40,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

19. [AB2022-700](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and the Washington State Department of Health for the delivery and funding of various public health services in the amount of \$109,206, for a total amended agreement amount of \$8,487,174

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

20. [AB2022-701](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter in to a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Whatcom County and the Washington State Nurses Association for the period of January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2025

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

21. [AB2022-702](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and the Washington State Office of Public Defense for the purpose of improving the quality of public defense services in the amount of \$200,639.00

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

22. [AB2022-703](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Mount Baker Foothills Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$125,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

23. [AB2022-704](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Birch Bay Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$130,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

24. [AB2022-705](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement between Whatcom County and Bellingham Whatcom County Tourism in the amount of \$250,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

25. [AB2022-709](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement between Whatcom County and Northwest Regional Council in support of the Meals on Wheels Program in the amount of \$120,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

26. [AB2022-711](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a lease/contract between Whatcom County and Unity-Flora Development LLC, to lease space at 104 Unity Street, Bellingham, in the amount of \$88,512

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL OF REQUEST

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

27. [AB2022-714](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract with Midwest Employer Casualty renewal for insurance protection for the self-insured workers compensation program in the amount of \$107,590 for calendar year 2023

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

28. [AB2022-715](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Summit Law Group to provide legal services for matters related to collective bargaining, in the amount not to exceed \$89,076 annually through December 31, 2023

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

29. [AB2022-716](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and the Whatcom Council of Governments for provision of Boundary Review Board administration

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

30. [AB2022-718](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement between Whatcom County and Habitat for Humanity for their purchase of a property in Everson for construction of 30 homes in the amount of \$449,256

This item was considered separately (see below after the Consent Agenda).

31. [AB2022-719](#) Request approval for the County Executive to award Bid #22-58 Medical Outreach Van Modifications and enter into a contract between Whatcom County and North Point Metalworks, in the amount of \$45,096.15

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

32. [AB2022-720](#) Resolution certifying Whatcom County's property tax levies for collection in 2023 to the County Assessor

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

This item was discussed after the Consent Agenda Vote (see below).

Council "Consent Agenda" Items Discussed Separately

30. [AB2022-718](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement between Whatcom County and Habitat for Humanity for their purchase of a property in Everson for construction of 30 homes in the amount of \$449,256

MOTION TO RECOMMEND FAILED

Aye: 1 - Kershner

Nay: 2 - Byrd, and Frazey

Absent: 0

32. [AB2022-720](#) Resolution certifying Whatcom County's property tax levies for collection in 2023 to the County Assessor

This item was discussed after the vote but no further action was taken.

Items Added by Revision

Other Business

Adjournment