



MEMORANDUM

TO: Whatcom County Council
FROM: Council Staff
DATE: May 22, 2026
RE: Updated Council Comprehensive Plan Review Schedule

Remaining Schedule

Below is the proposed remaining schedule as of 5.22.2026 for Council review of the Comprehensive Plan. This schedule is tentative and subject to change.

- **5/26- COTW (approx. 2-3.5 hours)**
 - Review of Appendix K and associated amendments
 - DEADLINE FOR CM EDITS: 5/22 BY NOON

- **6/2 – Special Committee of the Whole (1:00 - 4:30 pm)**
 - Continue Chapters 2, 5, 8, 10
 - Review zoning map amendments
 - **Public Comment 1:00 pm – Any Comprehensive Plan item (limited to 30 min)**
 - DEADLINE FOR CM EDITS: 5/27 BY NOON

- **6/9– Introduction of all ordinances relating to the Comprehensive Plan/Periodic Update**
 - Review draft adoption ordinance (including findings of fact)
 - Review zoning code amendments
 - Final minor edits in COTW if needed

- **6/23– Public hearing and final action on all ordinances** (Public participation at evening council meeting)

Status of Comp Plan Chapters as of 5.22.2026

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| Preface | AB2026-273 | Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing |
| Chapter 1 - Introduction & Growth Projections | AB2026-185 | Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing |
| Chapter 2 – Land Use | AB2026-186 | Discussed 5/19 and held open <i>Scheduled for discussion on 6/2</i> |
| Chapter 3 – Housing | AB2026-188 | Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing |
| Chapter 4 – Capital Facilities | AB2026-216 | Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing |
| Chapter 5 - Utilities | AB2026-217 | Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing - <i>Scheduled for continued discussion on 6/2</i> |
| Chapter 6 - Transportation | AB2026-218 | Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing |
| Chapter 7 – Economic Development | AB2026-231 | Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing |
| Chapter 8 – Natural Resource Lands | AB2026-250 | Discussed 5/19 and held open <i>Scheduled for continued discussion on 6/2</i> |
| Chapter 9 – Parks & Recreation | AB2026-251 | Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing |
| Chapter 10 - Environment | AB2026-261 | Discussed 5/19 and held open <i>Scheduled for continued discussion on 6/2</i> |
| Chapter 12 - Climate | AB2026-262 | Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing |
| Appendices & Foothills SAP | AB2026-263 | Preliminarily draft prepared for future Council introduction of an ordinance & public hearing |
| Appendix K | AB2026-298 | <i>Scheduled for 5/26, after Planning Commission review</i> |