

Whatcom County Council Committee of the Whole

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

1 PM

Hybrid Meeting - Council Chambers

HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 4:30 P.M. (PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON, SEE REMOTE JOIN INSTRUCTIONS AT www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil, OR CALL 360.778.5010); AGENDA REVISED 9.5.2025

COUNCILMEMBERS

Barry Buchanan
Tyler Byrd
Todd Donovan
Ben Elenbaas
Kaylee Galloway
Jon Scanlon
Mark Stremler

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Cathy Halka, AICP, CMC

Call To Order**Roll Call****Announcements**

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Special Presentation

1. [AB2025-534](#) Presentation by Health and Community Services Department and VillageReach on Permanent Supportive Housing Assessment
2. [AB2025-577](#) Presentation on the draft Whatcom County Land Capacity Analysis for Permanent Housing and Employment Needs Methodology and the draft Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan Land Capacity Analysis Methodology for Emergency Housing

Committee Discussion

1. [AB2025-552](#) Discussion of preliminary Planning Commission recommendations on Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan Chapter 4, Capital Facilities, associated with the 2025 Comprehensive Plan Update
2. [AB2025-601](#) Discussion relating to preliminary Planning Commission recommendations on Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan Chapter 9 (Parks & Recreation) associated with the 2025 Comprehensive Plan Update
3. [AB2025-509](#) 2025-2026 Mid-Biennium Budget Review

ITEM REORDERED 9.5.2025

Items Added by Revision

1. [AB2025-620](#) Request confirmation of the County Executive's appointment of Champ Thomaskutty as Director of Whatcom County Health & Community Services Department, effective October 27, 2025

ITEM ADDED 9.5.2025 (FOR DISCUSSION, ACTION ON COUNCIL AGENDA)

2. [AB2025-638](#) Resolution amending Resolution 2025-013 to docket an additional comprehensive plan and zoning amendment related to related to Whatcom County Code Chapter 20.40 to include agriculture storage as a primary permitted use

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Other Business**Adjournment**