

Whatcom County Council

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Action Summary

**VIRTUAL MEETING (TO PARTICIPATE, SEE INSTRUCTIONS AT
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Tuesday, February 23, 2021

6 PM

Virtual Meeting

COUNCILMEMBERS

Rud Browne
Barry Buchanan
Tyler Byrd
Todd Donovan
Ben Elenbaas
Carol Frazey
Kathy Kershner

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

COUNTY COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Rud Browne, Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, Todd Donovan, Ben Elenbaas, Carol Frazey, and Kathy Kershner

Absent: None

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

MINUTES CONSENT

1. [MIN2021-010](#) Health Board for February 2, 2021

APPROVED BY CONSENT

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

2. [MIN2021-011](#) Committee of the Whole Executive Session for February 9, 2021

APPROVED BY CONSENT

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

3. [MIN2021-012](#) Committee of the Whole for February 9, 2021

APPROVED BY CONSENT

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

4. [MIN2021-013](#) Regular County Council for February 9, 2021

APPROVED BY CONSENT

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. [AB2021-096](#) Ordinance adopting amendments to Whatcom County Code Title 15 (Buildings & Construction) to adopt by reference the 2018 Editions of the International Building and other associated codes

ADOPTED

Aye: 5 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Frazey

Nay: 2 - Elenbaas, and Kershner

Absent: 0

Enactment No: ORD 2021-007

2. [AB2021-109](#) Public hearing to review final project performance on CDBG grant for public services and emergency response related to COVID19 impacts in Whatcom County

PUBLIC TESTIMONY RECEIVED

OPEN SESSION (20 MINUTES)

CONSENT AGENDA

(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. [AB2021-107](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Marysville for Mini Chain Services in the amount of \$42,872.00

AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

2. [AB2021-108](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Northwest Washington Fairgrounds and Event Center to provide a COVID-19 testing site in the amount of \$6,000 for a total amended contract amount of \$45,200

AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

3. [AB2021-118](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a Local Agency Agreement & Project Prospectus between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Transportation for Hampton Road 2020 Emergency Shoulder Repairs, in the amount of \$29,001.00

AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

4. [AB2021-119](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a Local Agency Agreement & Project Prospectus between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Transportation for Hannegan Road 2020 Emergency Shoulder Repairs, in the amount of \$18,813.00

AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

5. [AB2021-120](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to provide funding for emergency shelter in motels in the amount of \$100,000 for a total amended contract amount of \$896,701

AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

6. [AB2021-122](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Bellingham Food Bank to provide reimbursement of COVID-related expenses, in the amount of \$95,000

AUTHORIZED BY CONSENT

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Elenbaas

Absent: 0

OTHER ITEMS

(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. [AB2021-092](#) Ordinance amending the 2021 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 3, in the amount of \$7,854,280

ADOPTED

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Enactment No: ORD 2021-008

2. [AB2021-124](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to administer rental and utility assistance to eligible recipients, in the amount of \$6,807,911

AUTHORIZED

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

3. [AB2021-125](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and DH to implement a COVID-19 social marketing campaign plan and messaging platform, in the amount of \$200,000

AUTHORIZED

Aye: 5 - Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 2 - Byrd, and Elenbaas

Absent: 0

(From Committee of the Whole)

4. [AB2021-116](#) Resolution docketing comprehensive plan and development regulation amendments

SUBSTITUTE AMENDED AND APPROVED

Aye: 6 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 1 - Donovan

Absent: 0

Enactment No: RES 2021-007

(No Committee Assignment)

5. [AB2021-117](#) Letter to Department of Health requesting information on COVID-19 vaccine rollout (the only action to be taken on this item is to approve that the letter with "Clerk's Note" be added to the Chair's correspondence file and the agenda bill file)

Clerk's note: Councilmembers started to discuss this item but then moved on to the next item on the agenda before voting in order to get more information from the Clerk of the Council. See motion and vote on this item below.

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

1. [AB2021-123](#) Request confirmation of the County Executive's appointment of Gina Bring, Raegan Miller, Caroline Applebee and Artemis Langford to the Developmental Disabilities Advisory Board

CONFIRMED

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

ITEMS ADDED BY REVISION

INTRODUCTION ITEMS

1. [AB2021-115](#) Ordinance regarding temporary installation of stop signs on Marshall Hill Road

INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Aye: 7 - Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

Clerk's note: Councilmembers gave COMMITTEE REPORTS and then went back to AB2021-117. They discussed OTHER ITEMS AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES BELOW.

(No Committee Assignment)

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DISCUSSED AND MOTION(S) APPROVED

Motion carried 6-0-1, with Byrd abstaining, to approve that the letter with "Clerk's Note" be added to the Chair's correspondence file and the agenda bill file.

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

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