

Whatcom County Council Public Works & Health Committee

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Action Summary

Tuesday, August 8, 2023

10:55 AM

Hybrid Meeting

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COUNCILMEMBERS

Carol Frazey
Kaylee Galloway
Kathy Kershner

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

Call To Order

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Carol Frazey, Kaylee Galloway, and Kathy Kershner

Also Present: Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, and Todd Donovan

Announcements

Committee Discussion

1. [AB2023-500](#) Discussion of an ordinance establishing parking restrictions on Samish Way
DISCUSSED
2. [AB2023-505](#) Discussion regarding the Public Works Six-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the years 2024-2029
DISCUSSED
3. [AB2023-525](#) Discussion of an ordinance establishing parking restrictions on Euclid Avenue as Whatcom County Code 10.24.260
DISCUSSED
4. [AB2023-527](#) Discussion of an ordinance establishing parking restrictions on Aldrich Road as Whatcom County Code 10.24.265
DISCUSSED

Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council

1. [AB2023-522](#) Discussion and request for motion related to Behavioral Health Fund opportunities and recommendations (Council acting as the Health Board)
DISCUSSED AND MOTION(S) APPROVED

Motion approved that they recommend all the items with the exception of the Meridian School District \$2 million Capital funding package and with the caveat that we fund them for three years and ask for a review after one year.

Motion approved to request a plan for securing other local or state funding to stabilize beyond year three.

Motion approved that they encourage the Administration to bring back a proposal on how to fund the Meridian School District expansion of their Whatcom Early Learning Center to include behavioral health services.

2. [AB2023-485](#) Resolution affirming that affordable housing and homelessness are a public health crisis and requesting updates on county actions (Council acting as the Health Board)
SUBSTITUTE RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT(S)

Aye: 3 - Frazey, Galloway, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Motion approved to amend the substitute to ask Galloway to insert language that addresses substance use disorder as a contributing factor to the Whatcom County homeless crisis.

Items Added by Revision

Other Business

Adjournment