

Whatcom County Council Committee of the Whole

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Action Summary

Tuesday, November 23, 2021

1:15 PM

Virtual Meeting

VIRTUAL MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 4:45 P.M. (TO PARTICIPATE, SEE INSTRUCTIONS AT www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil OR CALL 360.778.5010); AGENDA REVISED 11.22.2021

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.

Call To Order**Roll Call**

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

Absent: None

Announcements**Special Presentation**

1. [AB2021-723](#) Update on the November 2021 Atmospheric River Flood

DISCUSSED AND MOTION(S) APPROVED

Motion approved to recommend that the Administration prepare an ordinance for introduction tonight (to allocate \$500,000 from the General Fund for general flood response).

Committee Discussion

1. [AB2021-645](#) Discussion of the County Executive's recommended 2022 Biennium Budget Adjustments

DISCUSSED AND MOTION(S) APPROVED

Motion approved to recommend to the full Council that they amend the 2022 budget for the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Subzones (AB2021-622) to have an additional \$75,000 go into water planning operations for technical studies that would advance goals suggested at the October 15 Watershed Management meeting.

Motion approved to recommend to the full Council that they amend the Ordinance authorizing the levy of taxes for Conservation Futures purposes for 2022 (AB2021-630) to increase the levy rate in the amount of \$100,000, which is a percentage increase of 8.6% from the previous year.

2. [AB2021-548](#) Discussion and status update of proposed amendments to the Whatcom County Code regarding short-term rentals

DISCUSSED**Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council**

1. [AB2021-696](#) Approval to send letter to Mayor of Bellingham regarding reinstating BTV broadcast of County Council meetings

FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITH RECOMMENDED MOTION(S)

Motion approved to recommend approval of the letter as amended to strike "a basis we can support" and replace with "an explanation" and strike the words "our collective."

Items Added by Revision

Other Business

Adjournment