

# **Whatcom County Council Committee of the Whole-Executive Session**

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
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## **Committee Minutes - Draft Minutes**

**Tuesday, October 7, 2025**

**8:30 AM**

**Hybrid Meeting - Council Chambers**

**HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 9:15 A.M. (PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON, SEE  
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### **COUNCILMEMBERS**

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

### **CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

Cathy Halka, AICP, CMC

## **Call To Order**

Council Chair Kaylee Galloway called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. in a hybrid meeting.

## **Roll Call**

**Present:** 7 - Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, Todd Donovan, Ben Elenbaas, Kaylee Galloway, Jon Scanlon, and Mark Stremler

## **Announcements**

## **Committee Discussion**

**Attorney Present:** Chris Quinn.

Galloway stated that discussion of agenda item one and two may take place in executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b). Executive session will conclude no later than 9:15 a.m. If the meeting extends beyond the stated conclusion time, the Council chair will make a public announcement.

***Buchanan moved*** to go into executive session until no later than 9:15 a.m. to discuss the agenda items pursuant to the RCW citation as announced by the Council Chair. The motion was seconded by Byrd.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

**Nay:** 0

Councilmembers entered executive session at 8:32 a.m.

1. [AB2025-631](#) Discussion with Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor Chris Quinn regarding the potential lease or acquisition of real property [Discussion of this item may take place in executive session (closed to the public) pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b)]

**This agenda item was DISCUSSED.**

2. [AB2025-696](#) Discussion regarding the potential lease or acquisition of real property [Discussion of this item may take place in executive session (closed to the public) pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b)]

**This agenda item was DISCUSSED.**

## **Items Added by Revision**

There were no agenda items added by revision.

## **Other Business**

There was no other business.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WA

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Cathy Halka, Council Clerk

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Kaylee Galloway, Council Chair

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