

**Whatcom County
Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee**

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Action Summary

**Tuesday, April 9, 2024
9:25 AM
Hybrid Meeting**

**HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 11:10 A.M. (PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON,
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COUNCILMEMBERS

Tyler Byrd
Todd Donovan
Kaylee Galloway

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

Call To Order

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Tyler Byrd, Kaylee Galloway, and Todd Donovan

Also Present: Barry Buchanan, Ben Elenbaas, Jon Scanlon, and Mark Stremler

Announcements

Council "Consent Agenda" Items

1. [AB2024-200](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Whatcom County Library System in support of the Birch Bay Library construction project in the amount of \$315,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

2. [AB2024-204](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and PNW Plateful to distribute weekly meals to low-income households, in the amount of \$115,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

3. [AB2024-221](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between Whatcom County and WA State Department of Commerce to provide funding for Justice Project management and Justice Project data work in the amount of \$245,903.00

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

4. [AB2024-222](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a no cost interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Bellingham School District to provide community immunization clinics

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

5. [AB2024-223](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into Project Agreement Amendment No. 3 with the County Road Administration Board (CRAB), for the Hampton Road Pavement Rehabilitation Project, for Rural Arterial Program (RAP) funding in the amount of \$198,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

6. [AB2024-230](#) Request permission for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Geo Test Services to provide on-call construction materials testing and inspection services for 2024 in the amount not to exceed \$200,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

7. [AB2024-232](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Aspect Consulting to provide water rights adjudication technical assistance, in the amount of \$170,000.00 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

8. [AB2024-242](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to award bid # 24-23 and enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Lake Union Drydock Company for the annual drydocking, repair and maintenance of the Whatcom Chief Ferry, in the amount of \$1,180,380.00

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

9. [AB2024-243](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and MacWhinney Environmental Consulting LLC for third-party critical areas review, in the amount of \$60,000.00

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

10. [AB2024-244](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment

between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to provide housing case management services in the amount of \$256,842 for a total amended contract amount of \$1,488,823

This item was considered separately below.

11. [AB2024-248](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Puget Sound Energy for the Sheriff's Office to perform reimbursed overtime patrols, in the amount of \$18,216.00

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

12. [AB2024-257](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Economic Development Investment Program Interlocal Loan and Grant agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Bellingham to provide EDI loan and grant funding support for the Old Town Urban Village Improvement Project in the amount of \$1,500,000 in grant funding and \$1,500,000 in loan funding for a total agreement amount of \$3,000,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

Council "Consent Agenda" Items Considered Separately

10. [AB2024-244](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to provide housing case management services in the amount of \$256,842 for a total amended contract amount of \$1,488,823

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION

Aye: 2 - Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 1 - Byrd

Special Presentation

1. [AB2024-190](#) Presentation of the Western Washington University Small Business Development Center

PRESENTED

2. [AB2024-231](#) Report from the Finance Division

REPORTED

Committee Discussion

1. [AB2024-201](#) Ordinance adopting amendments to Whatcom County Code Section 1.14, Electoral Precincts, with newly established voting precinct boundaries for Whatcom County
DISCUSSED
2. [AB2024-226](#) Update on the Medical Examiner transition from contracted to county employment
DISCUSSED

Items Added by Revision

Other Business

Adjournment