



MEMORANDUM

TO: WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
FROM: COUNCIL STAFF
DATE: AUGUST 18, 2025
RE: COUNCILMEMBER REPRESENTATIVE FOR WTA BOARD COMPOSITION REVIEW MEETING

The Whatcom Transportation Authority (WTA) requested that the Council appoint one councilmember representative to participate in the WTA Board Composition Review meeting, which is required to be held every four years in accordance with RCW 36.57A.055 (see below). The purpose of the Board Composition Review meeting is to review the Board's current structure (how many members are allotted from each city in WTA's Public Transportation Benefit Area, as well as from the County), and to decide whether or not changes are warranted.

The Council may appoint the body's current WTA Board representative, Councilmember Donovan, or choose another councilmember. This appointment is for the Board Composition Review meeting only. Councilmember Donovan will continue to be the Council's representative on the Board.

The meeting will take place on Thursday, October 2, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. in the WTA Board Room, 4011 Bakerview Spur, Bellingham WA 98225.

Please contact Cathy Halka at x5019 with any questions.

RCW 36.57A.055 Governing body—Periodic review of composition.

After a public transportation benefit area has been in existence for four years, members of the county legislative authority and the elected representative of each city within the boundaries of the public transportation benefit area shall review the composition of the governing body of the benefit area and change the composition of the governing body if the change is deemed appropriate. ...