

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

COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Action Summary

VIRTUAL MEETING - ENDS NO LATER THAN 12:15 P.M.
AGENDA REVISED 10.26.2020

Tuesday, October 27, 2020

10:35 AM

Virtual Meeting

COUNCILMEMBERS

Rud Browne
Tyler Byrd
Kathy Kershner

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

Call To Order

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Rud Browne, Tyler Byrd and Kathy Kershner

Absent: None

Also present: Barry Buchanan, Carol Frazey, Ben Elenbaas, and Todd Donovan

Council "Consent Agenda" Items (Item four considered first)

4. [AB2020-443](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Bayside Pathology, Inc. for the provision of all medical examiner services consistent with the Whatcom County Code, Charter, and Washington State Law in the amount of \$605,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Committee Discussion

1. [AB2020-468](#) Discussion of utilizing Cares Act funding to assist Whatcom County Water Districts

DISCUSSED AND MOTION(S) APPROVED

Motion approved, 2-0-1 with Browne abstaining, to recommend to the Council with a request that the administration look into supporting water districts which are suffering under the COVID-19 crisis in an amount up to \$400,000.

Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council

1. [AB2020-430](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Birch Bay Drive and Pedestrian Facility Project Fund, Request No. 6, in the amount of \$841,786

RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye: 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

2. [AB2020-433](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 19, in the amount of \$7,904,575

MOTION TO RECOMMEND FAILED

Aye: 1 - Browne

Nay: 2 - Byrd and Kershner

Absent: 0

3. [AB2020-442](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Geneva Consulting Services for coordination of the Whatcom Lead Integrating Organization, in the amount of \$79,615.00 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control District Board of Supervisors)

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION

Aye: 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

4. [AB2020-444](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the US Department of Interior Geological Survey Joint Funding Agreement for Stream Gaging (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION

Aye: 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Council "Consent Agenda" Items

1. [AB2020-408](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and SeaMar Community Health Centers in the amount of \$470,793 for a total amended contract amount of \$759,571

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

2. [AB2020-436](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the Blaine Birch Bay Park & Recreation District No. 2 for use of the gymnasium at Bay Horizon Park

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

3. [AB2020-441](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Bellingham for partial funding of maintenance and operations of the Crisis Stabilization Center, in the amount of \$65,000

RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT

Aye: 3 - Browne, Byrd and Kershner

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

A motion was approved, 2-1 with Browne opposed, to consider the agenda items out of order and to discuss AB2020-486. The remaining Consent Agenda items were forwarded to Council without a recommendation.

Items Added by Revision (For Discussion)

1. [AB2020-486](#) Discussion of proposed ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 8.10, Solid Waste and Residential Recycling Collection, regarding solid waste collection in Point Roberts, WA

DISCUSSED

A motion failed, 1-2 with Byrd in favor, to recommend for Introduction tonight.

Council "Consent Agenda" Items (Forwarded without recommendation).

5. [AB2020-451](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a subrecipient agreement between Whatcom County and the Port of Bellingham for costs associated with responding to the COVID-19 emergency in an amount not to exceed \$238,172

FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION

6. [AB2020-452](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Northwest Workforce Council to provide reimbursement of wages and benefits for eligible temporary employees working in various COVID-related positions, for a total estimated contract amount of \$112,000

FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION

7. [AB2020-454](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Elliott Bay Design Group for the purposes of providing engineering services for the annual dry dock for the Whatcom Chief Ferry

FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION

8. [AB2020-456](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Lynden School District to increase the allocation of CARES Act funding by \$100,000 in an amount not to exceed \$230,000

FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION

9. [AB2020-457](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Blaine School District to increase the allocation of CARES Act Funding by \$100,000 in an amount not to exceed \$230,000

FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION

10. [AB2020-458](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Ferndale School District to increase the allocation of CARES Act funding by \$100,000 in amount not to exceed \$230,000

FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION

11. [AB2020-459](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Meridian School District to increase the allocation of CARES Act funding by \$100,000 in an amount not to exceed \$230,000

FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION

12. [AB2020-460](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and North Whatcom Fire and Rescue for the cost of two students to participate in the paramedic training program in an amount not to exceed \$232,436.88

FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION

13. [AB2020-461](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Mount Baker School District to increase the allocation of CARES Act funding by \$100,000 in an amount not to exceed \$230,000

FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION

14. [AB2020-462](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Nooksack Valley School District to increase the CARES Act funding allocation by \$100,000 in an amount not to exceed \$230,000

FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION

15. [AB2020-467](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Michael Bobbink for hearing examiner services

FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION

16. [AB2020-464](#) Request approval for the County Executive to award Bid #20-61 for the purchase of furnishings for the Lighthouse Mission Ministries Base Camp to Norix Group, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$329,645.45

FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION

17. [AB2020-473](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interlocal Agreement amendment between Whatcom County and City of Bellingham for a cost sharing related to the COVID-19 health crisis

FORWARDED TO COUNCIL WITHOUT A RECOMMENDATION

Other Business

Adjournment