

Whatcom County Council

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Meeting Agenda

**VIRTUAL MEETING (TO PARTICIPATE, SEE INSTRUCTIONS AT
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REVISED 5.4.2021

Tuesday, May 4, 2021

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COUNCILMEMBERS

Rud Browne
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CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

COUNTY COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

MINUTES CONSENT

1. [MIN2021-034](#) Water Work Session for April 13, 2021
2. [MIN2021-035](#) Special Council for April 15, 2021
3. [MIN2021-037](#) Committee of the Whole Executive Session for April 20, 2021
4. [MIN2021-039](#) Regular County Council for April 20, 2021
5. [MIN2021-040](#) Committee of the Whole for April 20, 2021

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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1. [AB2021-243](#) Ordinance ordering the closure of a portion of Manley Road to motorized vehicular traffic
2. [AB2021-244](#) Resolution adopting the Whatcom County Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan within the Public Rights-of-Way
3. [AB2021-245](#) Resolution supporting a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Public Services Grant application

OPEN SESSION (20 MINUTES)

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CONSENT AGENDA

Items under this section of the agenda may be considered in a single motion. Councilmembers have received and studied background material on all items. Committee review has taken place on these items, as indicated. Any member of the public, administrative staff, or council may ask that an item be considered separately.

(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. [AB2021-253](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and G6 Hospitality to extend the lease through September, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 per month
2. [AB2021-254](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the Mount Baker School District to lease tower access at the Kendall Elementary School Tower Site, in the amount of \$0.00
3. [AB2021-262](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to provide rental assistance for people with co-occurring disorders in the amount of \$15,000 for a total amended contract amount of \$84,843
4. [AB2021-272](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to renew a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Whatcom County and the Deputy Sheriff's Guild for the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022

OTHER ITEMS**(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)**

1. [AB2021-256](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Military Department for FFY20 Operation Stonegarden, in the amount of \$405,600.00
2. [AB2021-263](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into Agreement Amendment No. 1 for Funding Support and Implementation of the Duffner Ditch Culvert and Flood Gate Replacement Project (Council acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

(From Council Planning and Development Committee)

3. [AB2021-257](#) Discussion and Council motion to approve the Public Participation Plan for Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulation Amendments

COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

1. [AB2021-255](#) Appointment to the Business and Commerce Advisory Committee - Higher Education vacancy, applicant(s): Eva Schulte

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

Per Whatcom County Code 2.03.070(B), the council must confirm or reject executive appointments within 30 days of submission to the council. County code deems the appointee confirmed if council does not take action within this time.

1. [AB2021-266](#) Request confirmation of the County Executive's appointment of Dave Bren to the Development Standards Technical Advisory Committee

ITEMS ADDED BY REVISION

1. [AB2021-278](#) Ordinance submitting to the qualified voters of Whatcom County a proposal to amend Whatcom County Charter Sections 5.40 and 5.41 to align signature requirements for citizen initiatives with Washington State norms

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2. [AB2021-279](#) Ordinance submitting to the qualified voters of Whatcom County a proposal to amend Whatcom County Charter Section 8.22 to align requirements for amending the Charter by citizen initiative with Washington State norms

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3. [AB2021-281](#) Resolution concluding the work of the Homeless Strategies Workgroup and transferring responsibilities to the Whatcom County Housing Advisory Committee

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INTRODUCTION ITEMS

Council action will not be taken. The council may accept these items for introduction (no action) in a single motion. Changes, in terms of committee assignment for example, may be made at this time.

1. [AB2021-264](#) Ordinance amending the Whatcom County Budget, request no. 7, in the amount of \$5,156,985
2. [AB2021-185](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 9.32, Unlawful Discharge of Firearms, to establish a no shooting zone in the Drayton Harbor Area of Whatcom County
3. [AB2021-186](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 9.32, Unlawful Discharge of Firearms, to establish a no shooting zone to be known as the Dearborn No Shooting Zone

4. [AB2021-258](#) Ordinance amending the Six-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for Whatcom County Facilities (2021-2026)
5. [AB2021-261](#) Ordinance granting Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, a non-exclusive franchise for the provision of wireless telecommunications services

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

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