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WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
Finance and Administrative Services Committee

July 9, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Satpal Sidhu called the meeting to order at 11:11 a.m. in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, Washington.

ROLL CALL

Present: Carol Frazey and Satpal Sidhu

Absent: Tyler Byrd

Also Present: Barbara Brenner, Barry Buchanan, Rud Browne, and Todd Donovan

COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

Jack Louws, County Executive, submitted a handout and reported the status of upgrading the smoke evacuation system in the County jail.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

1. AB2019-359 PRESENTATION OF THE BELLINGHAM WHATCOM COUNTY TOURISM COUNTYWIDE WAYFINDING PROJECT

Sandy Ward, Bellingham Whatcom County Tourism President, submitted and read from a presentation and answered questions on the Ferndale icon, creating a digital presence in the wayfinding project, and project funding.

2. AB2019-390 PRESENTATION BY DON GOLDBERG, PORT OF BELLINGHAM, REGARDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING ISSUES

The following people submitted and read from a presentation on behalf of the Business and Commerce Advisory Committee and answered questions:

- Don Goldberg, Port of Bellingham
- Clark Campbell, Business and Commerce Advisory Committee Vice-Chair and Gearaid CEO
- Pete Dawson, Business and Commerce Advisory Committee Member and Dawson Construction CEO

Councilmembers and the presenters discussed county versus city jurisdictions, whether the advisory committee's recommendations are feasible, and hiring a consultant to develop a new draft housing development code for all jurisdictions.

1 **COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**
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- 3 1. **AB2019-369 REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO**
4 **ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY**
5 **AND WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**
6 **FOR A LONG-TERM WORKING CAPITAL ADVANCE IN AN AMOUNT OF UP TO**
7 **\$300,000**

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9 *Frazezy moved* to recommend approval to the full Council.

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11 The motion carried by the following vote:

12 **Ayes:** Frazezy and Sidhu (2)

13 **Nays:** None (0)

14 **Absent:** Byrd (1)

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16 2. **AB2019-372 REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO**
17 **ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY**
18 **AND WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES,**
19 **DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADMINISTRATION FOR A COORDINATED**
20 **AND COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM OF SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH**
21 **DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,678,521**

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23 *Frazezy moved* to recommend approval to the full Council.

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25 The motion carried by the following vote:

26 **Ayes:** Frazezy and Sidhu (2)

27 **Nays:** None (0)

28 **Absent:** Byrd (1)

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30 3. **AB2019-381 REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO**
31 **ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY**
32 **AND SKAGIT COUNTY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE YOUTH MARIJUANA**
33 **PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAM, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,000**

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35 *Frazezy moved* to recommend approval to the full Council.

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37 The motion carried by the following vote:

38 **Ayes:** Frazezy and Sidhu (2)

39 **Nays:** None (0)

40 **Absent:** Byrd (1)

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42 4. **AB2019-382 REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO**
43 **ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY**
44 **AND WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND**
45 **FAMILIES TO OUTLINE GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AGREEMENTS**
46 **BETWEEN THE AGENCIES**

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48 *Frazezy moved* to recommend approval to the full Council.

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50 The motion carried by the following vote:

51 **Ayes:** Frazezy and Sidhu (2)

52 **Nays:** None (0)

53 **Absent:** Byrd (1)

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2 5. **AB2019-313 REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO**
3 **ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY**
4 **AND THE LUMMI NATION FOR REPAIR OF THE LUMMI (RED) RIVER LEVEE**
5 **(COUNCIL ACTING AS THE WHATCOM COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE**
6 **DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS)**

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8 **Frazey moved** to recommend approval to the Board of Supervisors.

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10 The motion carried by the following vote:

11 **Ayes:** Frazey and Sidhu (2)

12 **Nays:** None (0)

13 **Absent:** Byrd (1)

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15 6. **AB2019-385 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE BRIAN**
16 **ABBOTT FISH BARRIER REMOVAL BOARD FOR NORTH FORK ROAD/KENNEY**
17 **CREEK FISH PASSAGE PROJECT, CRP NO. 919007**

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19 **Frazey moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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21 The motion carried by the following vote:

22 **Ayes:** Frazey and Sidhu (2)

23 **Nays:** None (0)

24 **Absent:** Byrd (1)

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26 7. **AB2019-370 REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO**
27 **AWARD BID #19-39 AND ENTER INTO A SUBSEQUENT CONTRACT BETWEEN**
28 **WHATCOM COUNTY AND LAKE UNION DRYDOCK COMPANY FOR THE**
29 **ANNUAL DRYDOCKING, REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF THE WHATCOM**
30 **CHIEF FERRY, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$555,219**

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32 **Frazey moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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34 Eric Schlehuber, Public Works Department, submitted a handout (*on file*) and
35 answered questions on last year's costs.

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37 The motion carried by the following vote:

38 **Ayes:** Frazey and Sidhu (2)

39 **Nays:** None (0)

40 **Absent:** Byrd (1)

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43 **COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

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45 1. **AB2019-371 DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION BY ROB NEY, FACILITIES**
46 **MANAGEMENT, ON THE STATE OF CAPITAL FACILITIES AND LONG-TERM**
47 **CAPITAL FACILITIES PLANNING**

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49 Rob Ney, Administrative Services Department, submitted and read from a
50 presentation (*on file*) and answered questions.

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52 Tyler Schroeder, Executive's Office, answered questions.

1 Councilmembers and staff discussed the four options for capital facilities planning
2 into the future, which include maintaining existing buildings, major renovation of existing
3 buildings, renting, or consolidating departments into one new building.
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6 **OTHER BUSINESS**
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8 There was no other business.
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11 **ADJOURN**
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13 The meeting adjourned at 1:07 p.m.
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16 ATTEST:

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23 Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

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Jill Nixon, Minutes Transcription

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Satpal Sidhu, Committee Chair