

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

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
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**Action Summary**

**Tuesday, January 23, 2024  
11:30 AM  
Hybrid Meeting**

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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. [AB2024-052](#) Request for authorization for the County Executive to enter into an amended contract agreement between Whatcom County and L&L Counseling and Consultation for services related to evaluations and treatment services for youth referred to or sentenced under the Special Sex Offender Disposition Alternative in the amount of \$35,000 for a total contract amount of \$70,000

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

**Nay:** 0

2. [AB2024-054](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interagency agreement between Whatcom County and the State of Washington Department of Ecology for Whatcom Marine Resources Committee (MRC) operations and projects, in the amount of \$135,500.00 (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

3. [AB2024-055](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Exact Scientific Services to provide water quality analytical testing services, in the amount of \$90,000.00 (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

4. [AB2024-067](#) Resolution canceling uncollectible personal property taxes

**RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL**

**Aye:** 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

**Nay:** 0

5. [AB2024-076](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and the State of Washington Department of Ecology to receive funding for adjudication technical assistance, in the amount of \$300,000 (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

6. [AB2024-077](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and United States Geological Survey for funding and technical analysis to assess topographic changes in the Nooksack River channel and support the Floodplain Integrated Planning (FLIP) work, in the amount of \$94,050 (Council acting as Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

**Nay:** 0

7. [AB2024-078](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Whatcom Conservation District for education and outreach assistance, in the amount of \$72,666.31

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

**Nay:** 0

8. [AB2024-079](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Whatcom Conservaton District for outreach, education and technical assistance, in the amount of \$107,341.56 (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

9. [AB2024-080](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State Military Department to increase the awarded amount for the Operation Stonegarden program by \$96,525.00, for a total of \$197,025.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

**Nay:** 0

10. [AB2024-081](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Health to fund various public health programs in the amount of \$282,183 for a total amended agreement amount of \$14,424,841

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

**Nay:** 0

11. [AB2024-082](#) Resolution accepting the Treasurer's list of petitions for property tax refunds consistent with RCW 84.69.020

**RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL**

**Aye:** 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

**Nay:** 0

12. [AB2024-083](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Stephen Jackson Law, PLLC to provide legal representation for Rules of Appeal of Decisions in Courts of Limited Jurisdiction (RALJ) appeal cases in the amount of \$18,000.00 for a total amended contract amount of \$38,000.00

**RECOMMENDED FOR AUTHORIZATION BY CONSENT**

**Aye:** 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

**Nay:** 0

**Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council**

1. [AB2024-027](#) Ordinance establishing a project budget for the Cedar Hills Culvert Replacement Project Fund; SWP #SWLW23-05

**SUBSTITUTE RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**

**Aye:** 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

**Nay:** 0

2. [AB2024-028](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Public Safety Radio System Fund, request no. 4

**RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**

**Aye:** 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

3. [AB2024-034](#) Ordinance amending the 2024 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 3, in the amount of 1,693,840

**RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**

Aye: 3 - Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan

Nay: 0

**Items Added by Revision**

**Other Business**

**Adjournment**