

Whatcom County Council Committee of the Whole-Executive Session

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Committee Minutes - Final

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

9:50 AM

Hybrid Meeting - Council Chambers

**AGENDA REVISED 2.21.2025 - HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 10:30 A.M.
(PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON, SEE REMOTE JOIN INSTRUCTIONS AT
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COUNCILMEMBERS

Barry Buchanan
Tyler Byrd
Todd Donovan
Ben Elenbaas
Kaylee Galloway
Jon Scanlon
Mark Stremmler

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Cathy Halka, AICP, CMC

Call To Order

Council Chair Kaylee Galloway called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m. in a hybrid meeting.

Roll Call

Present: 7 - Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, Todd Donovan, Ben Elenbaas, Kaylee Galloway, Jon Scanlon, and Mark Stremler

Announcements

Committee Discussion

Attorneys Present: Beth Kennar, Summit Law, and Eric Richey, Whatcom County Prosecuting Attorney, were present for AB2025-188.

Galloway stated that discussion of agenda item one and two may take place in executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b) and RCW 42.30.110 (1) (f) respectively. Executive session will conclude no later than 10:25 a.m. If the meeting extends beyond the stated conclusion time, the Council chair will make a public announcement.

Donovan moved to go into executive session until no later than 10:25 a.m. to discuss the agenda items pursuant to the RCW citation(s) as announced by the Council Chair. The motion was seconded by Buchanan.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

Nay: 0

Councilmembers entered executive session at 9:53 a.m.

At 10:25 a.m. Galloway announced that the executive session will extend ten more minutes to no later than 10:35 a.m.

At 10:35 a.m. Galloway announced that the executive session will extend ten more minutes to no later than 10:45 a.m.

1. [AB2025-170](#) Discussion with Public Works staff regarding a potential property acquisition [Discussion of this item may take place in executive session (closed to the public) pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b)]

This agenda item was DISCUSSED.

Items Added by Revision

1. [AB2025-188](#) Discussion with Summit Law regarding employment complaint procedures
[Discussion of this item may take place in executive session (closed to the public)
pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1) (f)]

This agenda item was DISCUSSED.

Other Business

There was no other business.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

The County Council approved these minutes on March 11, 2025.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WA

Cathy Halka, Council Clerk

Kaylee Galloway, Council Chair

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