

Whatcom County Council Committee of the Whole

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Action Summary

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

1 PM

Hybrid Meeting - Council Chambers

**HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 4:30 P.M.(PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON, SEE
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COUNCILMEMBERS

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

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Cathy Halka, AICP, CMC

Call To Order**Roll Call**

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

Announcements**Special Presentation**

1. [AB2025-118](#) Update from County Executive's Office on 2025 state legislative session
REPORTED
2. [AB2025-143](#) Presentation by the Forest Resilience Task Force on its ongoing work
PRESENTED
3. [AB2025-184](#) Presentation and discussion on community benefits agreements by Daniel Villao, Intelligent Partnerships
PRESENTED

Committee Discussion

1. [AB2025-181](#) Discussion of Jail & Behavioral Care Center 2025 Workplan & Timeline
DISCUSSED
2. [AB2025-081](#) Discussion relating to population and employment projections for the County as a whole, Urban Growth Areas, and the Rural & Resource Lands associated with the 2025 Comprehensive Plan Update
DISCUSSED

Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council

1. [AB2025-120](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 2.123, Forestry Advisory Committee, to expand the committee's purpose and adjust member terms
RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION
Aye: 4 - Buchanan, Donovan, Galloway, and Scanlon
Nay: 3 - Byrd, Elenbaas, and Stremler

Items Added by Revision**Other Business****Adjournment**