

Whatcom County Council

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

7 PM

Council Chambers

COUNCILMEMBERS

Barbara Brenner
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Carol Frazey
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CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH WHATCOM COUNTY CODE SECTIONS 2.02.040 AND 2.02.060, THE FOLLOWING RULES SHALL APPLY DURING ALL COUNCIL AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Section 2.02.040 Meetings – General rules.

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E. All council and council committee meetings shall be conducted pursuant to The American Institute of Parliamentarians Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure, latest edition, except when in conflict with the standing rules of the council.

L. During an open session or public hearing, audience members will be given three minutes to address the council.

M. Cell phones shall be silenced and cell phone conversations shall be prohibited within the confines of the council chambers during meetings.

N. Placards, signs, applause, or other distractions shall not be allowed in the council chambers without the consent of the council chair.

O. Any person making personal, impertinent, or slanderous remarks, or who becomes boisterous, while attending a council or council committee meeting may be requested to leave the meeting and may be forthwith, by the presiding officer, barred from further audience before the council during that meeting.

2.02.060 Meetings – Decorum of debate.

A. Any councilmember desiring to speak shall first be recognized by the chair, and shall confine his or her remarks to the specific subject under consideration or to be considered. The councilmember who has proposed a motion or the committee member who has presented a report shall be allowed the first opportunity to explain the motion or report, and usually is allowed to speak last on it. No member or small group of members shall be permitted to monopolize the discussion on a question. If a member has already spoken and other members wish to speak, they should be recognized in preference to the member who has already spoken on a question.

B. Councilmembers shall address each other as “councilmember” and the council chair shall be addressed as “chair.”

C. Staff members, presenters, and the general public shall be addressed as Mr., Mrs., Ms., or by their official or honorary title.

D. When two or more councilmembers desire to speak at the same time, the chair shall name the member who shall have the floor.

E. When a councilmember is speaking, no other member shall hold discourse which may interrupt the speaker except to raise a point of order. The chair should insist that every member be attentive to the business before the assembly.

F. Councilmembers shall have time to explain any motion they intend to make. All motions will begin with the words, "I move" and must receive a second prior to being put to a vote.

G. When it appears that all councilmembers who wish to speak have done so, the chair shall inquire, "Is there any further discussion?" If there is not, the question is put to a vote.

H. To bring a question to immediate vote, a councilmember may move to close debate. If more than one motion is pending, the motion to close debate should specify the pending motions to which it applies (main motion, motion to amend, etc.). The motion to close debate cannot interrupt a speaker, is not debatable, and requires an affirmative vote by two-thirds of the councilmembers in attendance. The motion to close debate should be used in moderation, as members cannot be expected to maintain interest in an organization if they are frequently denied the right to participate in its deliberations.

COUNTY COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you will be handing out paperwork to councilmembers, please give one copy to the clerk for our office files. Thank you.

MINUTES CONSENT

1. [MIN2019-030](#) Joint Meeting with Skagit and San Juan Counties on February 5, 2019
2. [MIN2019-031](#) Regular County Council for March 26, 2019

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Audience members who wish to address the council during a public hearing are asked to sign up at the back of the room before the meeting begins. The council chair will ask those who have signed up to form a line at the podium. Each speaker should state his or her name for the record and optionally include city of residence. Speakers will be given three minutes to address the council. Council staff will keep track of time limits and inform speakers when they have thirty seconds left to conclude their comments. When a large group of individuals supports the same position on an issue, we encourage the selection of one or two representatives to speak on behalf of the entire group.

1. [AB2019-183](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Section 1.14, correcting certain precinct boundary lines and precinct maps (second amendment)

OPEN SESSION (20 MINUTES)

During open session, audience members can speak to the council on any issue not scheduled for public hearing. Each speaker should state his or her name for the record and optionally include city of residence. Speakers will be given three minutes to address the council. Council staff will keep track of time limits and inform speakers when they have thirty seconds left to conclude their comments.

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. [AB2019-173](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission for annual Recreational Boating Safety Federal Financial Assistance Grant, in the amount of \$15,392.75 and requiring local match of \$27,617.31

2. [AB2019-185](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Code Publishing Co. to increase compensation to an amended total amount of \$63,412
3. [AB2019-195](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Cascadia Law Group, PLLC to develop specific text amendments to the Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan and Whatcom County Code (WCC) that implement and are consistent with the provisions of Resolution No. 2019-004
4. [AB2019-206](#) Request approval for the County Executive to award RFP #19-12, and authorization to enter into a 36-month lease with Marple Fleet Leasing for leasing four vehicles for the Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$71,704.12

OTHER ITEMS

(From Council Natural Resources Committee)

1. [AB2019-216](#) Resolution supporting funding for Stewardship Forester positions in the Department of Natural Resources Small Forest Landowner Office

(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

2. [AB2019-176](#) Ordinance amending the Ferry System Petty Cash Revolving Fund from \$1800 to \$3300
3. [AB2019-184](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the East Whatcom Regional Resource Center Expansion project, in the amount of \$115,000
4. [AB2019-187](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Chapter 2.128, Business and Commerce Advisory Committee, to amend membership
5. [AB2019-189](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Pacific CM LLC for material sample collection, on-site material inspection, on-site construction inspection, concrete testing, hot mix asphalt (HMA), aggregates and other construction materials, for various projects, in the amount not to exceed \$200,000

(No Committee Assignment)

6. [AB2019-209](#) Approval of letter in support of retaining the Alaska Marine Highway System between Bellingham and Alaska
7. [AB2019-161](#) Resolution celebrating April as a month of Sikh awareness and appreciation in Whatcom County

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. [AB2019-205](#) Request confirmation of County Executive's appointment of Dave Finet to the Whatcom County Housing Authority Board of Commissioners. And for information, the County Executive concurs with Mayor Linville's appointment of Stephen Gockley to the Bellingham Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

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. [AB2019-179](#) Ordinance amending WCC 2.120.040 Membership- Term of Office for Surface Mining Advisory Committee
2. [AB2019-190](#) Ordinance establishing temporary installation of stop signs during construction of the West Badger Road/Bertrand Creek Bridge No 50 Replacement Project
3. [AB2019-201](#) Ordinance amending the 2019 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 5, in the amount of \$1,613,991
4. [AB2019-202](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Jail Improvement Fund, request no. 4
5. [AB2019-203](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the New Jail Fund 2013-2014, request no. 4
6. [AB2019-207](#) Ordinance adopting amendments to WCC Title 20 Zoning, amending the lot coverage limits for public community facilities in the Residential Rural (RR), Rural (R), and Point Robers Transitional Zone (TZ) districts
7. [AB2019-210](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Title 3, creating a local employee and apprenticeship program

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

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