

Whatcom County Council

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Meeting Agenda

VIRTUAL MEETING - VIEW ONLINE

Wednesday, August 5, 2020

6 PM

Virtual Meeting

COUNCILMEMBERS

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COUNTY COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

MINUTES CONSENT

1. [MIN2020-077](#) Committee of the Whole - Executive Session for July 7, 2020
2. [MIN2020-078](#) Committee of the Whole for July 7, 2020
3. [MIN2020-079](#) Regular County Council for July 7, 2020
4. [MIN2020-081](#) Water Work Session for July 14, 2020
5. [MIN2020-082](#) Regular County Council for July 21, 2020
6. [MIN2020-083](#) Committee of the Whole for July 21, 2020

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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1. [AB2020-291](#) Ordinance regarding installation of stop signs on certain County Roads
2. [AB2020-330](#) Public hearing to review potential uses of, and application for, a Community Development Block grant CV1 consortium grant for addressing COVID-19 impacts in Whatcom County

OPEN SESSION (20 MINUTES)

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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. [AB2020-191](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State University to continue the jointly shared costs for faculty positions and program support for WSU Extension in the amount of \$239,047 for a total amended contract amount of \$2,238,323.90
2. [AB2020-295](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement between Whatcom County and Sun Community Services to lease the property known as Sun House, located at 515 E Chestnut Street in Bellingham
3. [AB2020-302](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Bellingham for actions to support the Aquatic Invasive Species Program, in the amount of \$28,800
4. [AB2020-303](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and San Juan Cruises to provide temporary passenger ferry service to Lummi Island, in the amount of \$83,328
5. [AB2020-305](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and the State of Washington Office of Crime Victims Advocacy to continue to fund the VGAL Program Coordinator to grow the VGAL program, in the amount of \$74,998.00
6. [AB2020-306](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and U.S. Department of Justice for Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF), in the amount of \$2,500.00
7. [AB2020-307](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to administer the Washington State Department of Commerce Housing and Essential Needs Program in the amount of \$608,211 for a total amended contract amount of \$2,037,324
8. [AB2020-311](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Washington State Military Department to support the ongoing COVID-19 response, in the amount of \$25,397
9. [AB2020-323](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to provide reimbursement for COVID-19 related operations and prevention expenditures, in the amount of \$273,500
10. [AB2020-324](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Northwest Youth Services to provide reimbursement for COVID-19 related operations and prevention expenditures, in the amount of \$53,791

11. [AB2020-325](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Catholic Community Services to provide reimbursement for COVID-19 related operations and prevention expenditures, in the amount of \$51,510
12. [AB2020-326](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and James P. Richmond, attorney, for legal services related to the Assessor's appeal in the amount of \$80,000

OTHER ITEMS

(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. [AB2020-211](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Nooksack Valley School District to provide behavioral health services, in the amount of \$120,000
2. [AB2020-220](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Lynden School District to provide behavioral health services, in the amount of \$111,000
3. [AB2020-231](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Blaine School District to provide behavioral health services, in the amount of \$131,400
4. [AB2020-235](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Meridian School District to provide behavioral health services, in the amount of \$108,000
5. [AB2020-236](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Ferndale School District to provide behavioral health services, in the amount of \$120,000
6. [AB2020-237](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Bellingham School District #501 to provide behavioral health services, in the amount of \$138,000
7. [AB2020-244](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Mount Baker School District to provide behavioral health services, in the amount of \$108,000

8. [AB2020-309](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Reichardt & Ebe Engineering, Inc., for engineering design services for the Ferndale Levee Improvement Project (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)
9. [AB2020-297](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 15, in the amount of \$716,503
10. [AB2020-301](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs for the Registered Sex Offender Address Verification Program, in the amount of \$139,263.00
11. [AB2020-313](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Health to provide funding for the delivery of various public health programs and services in the amount of \$408,842 for a total amended contract amount of \$4,928,000
12. [AB2020-315](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the Point Roberts Park & Recreation District Number 1 for use of Lighthouse Marine Park to establish a kayak program
13. [AB2020-317](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Commerce to provide resources to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic among individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance, in the amount of \$494,112
14. [AB2020-318](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Fire Protection District #7 to cover the costs for students to attend the paramedic training program in the amount of \$218,640
15. [AB2020-319](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and North Whatcom Fire Authority to cover the costs for students to attend the paramedic training program in the amount of \$206,000
16. [AB2020-320](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between Whatcom County and Bellingham Fire Department to cover the costs for students to attend the paramedic training program including class administration costs and supplies in the amount of \$642,503.07
17. [AB2020-321](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and the City of Bellingham to extend the current What-Comm Agreement through 12/31/23

(From Council Committee of the Whole)

18. [AB2020-334](#) Resolution establishing County Council budget goals and guidelines

(No Committee Assignment)

19. [AB2020-253](#) Resolution authorizing Whatcom County to enter into a twenty-year communication tower lease agreement with Verizon Wireless for an existing tower site located at the Lookout Mountain Forest Reserve

COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

1. [AB2020-300](#) Appointment to the Homeless Strategies Workgroup, Special Populations position, applicant(s): Michael Berres

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. [AB2020-316](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 16, in the amount of \$987,509
2. [AB2020-310](#) Ordinance granting Gordon Montgomery and John Milobar, a non-exclusive franchise for the provision of sewer services
3. [AB2020-308](#) Resolution vacating a portion of Horton Road

SPECIAL NOTIFICATION

1. [AB2020-332](#) Special notice: County Council sent a time-sensitive letter to the Governor on July 29, 2020, encouraging development of a plan to allow close family members to visit their loved ones in congregate care facilities

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES**ADJOURN**