

Whatcom County Council

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Meeting Agenda

VIRTUAL MEETING - VIEW ONLINE

Tuesday, November 10, 2020

6 PM

Virtual Meeting

COUNCILMEMBERS

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Todd Donovan
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COUNTY COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

MINUTES CONSENT

1. [MIN2020-103](#) Special Council Cherry Point Work Session for October 20, 2020
2. [MIN2020-104](#) Water Work Session for October 20, 2020
3. [MIN2020-106](#) Special Council Budget Work Session for October 29, 2020
4. [MIN2020-107](#) Special Council Cherry Point Work Session for October 28, 2020

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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1. [AB2020-445](#) Ordinance adopting amendments to Whatcom County Code 20.72, Point Roberts Special District
2. [AB2020-310](#) Ordinance granting Gordon Montgomery and John Milobar, a non-exclusive franchise for the provision of sewer services

HEARING HELD OPEN FROM 10.27.2020

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. [AB2020-475](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Downtown Bellingham Partnership to reimburse operational losses due to COVID-19, in the amount of \$56,033
2. [AB2020-515](#) Request authorization for County Executive to enter into contract between Whatcom County and Aha! Childcare and Family Learning Center for economic losses due to COVID-19 in an amount not to exceed \$45,000
3. [AB2020-516](#) Request authorization for County Executive to enter into an agreement between Whatcom County and Gabriel's Art Kids for economic losses due to COVID-19 in an amount not to exceed \$90,000
4. [AB2020-517](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement between Whatcom County and The Seedlings Early Learning Center, Inc. for economic losses due to COVID-19 in an amount not to exceed \$50,000
5. [AB2020-518](#) Request authorization for County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and MORE Smiles Learning for economic losses due to COVID-19 in the amount of \$50,000 for a total amended contract amount not to exceed \$100,000
6. [AB2020-519](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Whatcom Family YMCA for economic losses due to COVID-19 in the amount of \$131,000 for a total amended contract amount not to exceed \$426,221
7. [AB2020-499](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Mt Baker School District for reimbursement of eligible COVID-related PPE expenses, in the amount of \$94,325
8. [AB2020-505](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Nooksack Valley School District for reimbursement of eligible COVID-related PPE and technology expenses, in the amount of \$82,755
9. [AB2020-506](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Lynden School District for reimbursement of eligible COVID-related technology expenses, in the amount of \$146,025
10. [AB2020-507](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Blaine School District for reimbursement of eligible COVID-related PPE and technology expenses, in the amount of \$94,905
11. [AB2020-476](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife for FY2019 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG), in the amount \$25,000

12. [AB2020-477](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Sumas for FY2019 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG), in the amount of \$60,000.00
13. [AB2020-478](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Lynden for FY2019 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG), in the amount of \$30,000.00
14. [AB2020-479](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Ferndale for FY2019 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG) in the amount of \$30,000
15. [AB2020-480](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Everson for FY2019 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG) in the amount of \$60,000
16. [AB2020-481](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Blaine for FY2019 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG) in the amount of \$31,948.00
17. [AB2020-474](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Whidbey Telephone Company for Communications Site Lease, in the amount of \$33,155.94
18. [AB2020-482](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and U.S. Department of Justice Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) for reimbursement of overtime of Whatcom County Sheriff's Office Deputies engaged in Federal Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force investigations, in the amount of \$10,000.00
19. [AB2020-483](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and U.S. Department of Justice Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) for reimbursement of overtime of Whatcom County Sheriff's Office Deputies engaged in Federal Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force investigations, in the amount of \$2,500.00
20. [AB2020-488](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Securus Technologies, LLC to provide Inmate Communication Services for commission percentage rates of 30% months 1-36, 47% months 37-48 and 55% months 49+
21. [AB2020-500](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Julota to renew the annual contract and integrate the Advanced DataMart Interface in the amount of \$46,088.80 for a total amended contract amount of \$85,021.30

OTHER ITEMS**(From Council Natural Resources Committee)**

1. [AB2020-497](#) Public Works staff will provide an update to Council on the discussion at the WRIA1 Watershed Management Board meeting on October 29, 2020 of the County Executive's Comprehensive Water Settlement concept and request that Council make a motion to proceed with the settlement concept

(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

2. [AB2020-449](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Civic Center Improvement Fund, Request No. 1 in the amount of \$4,350,000
3. [AB2020-450](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 20, in the amount of \$4,476,128
4. [AB2020-492](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a FEMA Public Assistance grant contract between Whatcom County and the Washington State Military Department for the emergency protective measures as well as the repair and restoration of damaged public facilities as approved by FEMA in project worksheets describing eligible scopes of work and associated funding
5. [AB2020-503](#) Resolution approving a salary schedule and policies for Unrepresented Whatcom County Employees effective January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021
6. [AB2020-521](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between G6 Hospitality Properties, LLC and Whatcom County to extend the lease term through February 28, 2021 with the option to extend an additional three months through May 30, 2021 at an increased of \$10,000 in the monthly base rent
7. [AB2020-526](#) Resolution requesting the County transition from paper to digital and decrease our environmental impact, streamline processes, support transparency, and cut expenses
8. [AB2020-527](#) Resolution requesting Whatcom County distribute surplus computers and similar devices to the community

(From Council Public Works and Health Committee)

9. [AB2020-498](#) Presentation of the 2020 Public Works Winter Snow and Ice Policy and request for a motion from Council in support of the policy
10. [AB2020-431](#) Resolution affirming racism as a Public Health Crisis
11. [AB2020-525](#) Resolution recognizing inequality and unconscious bias and its effects on community health

ITEMS ADDED BY REVISION**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. [AB2020-487](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 8.10, Solid Waste and Residential Recycling Collection, regarding solid waste collection in Point Roberts, WA
2. [AB2020-494](#) Ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 21, in the amount of \$316,676
3. [AB2020-495](#) Ordinance establishing the Shallow Shore Culvert Relocation Fund and establishing a project based budget for the Shallow Shore Culvert Relocation Fund
4. [AB2020-496](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Public Safety Radio System Fund, request no. 2
5. [AB2020-466](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Section 1.14, adjusting Precinct Boundary Lines and Precinct Maps
6. [AB2020-490](#) Ordinance authorizing the 2021 Whatcom County Unified Fee Schedule
7. [AB2020-504](#) Ordinance in the matter of the adoption of the final budget of Whatcom County for the Biennium 2021-2022
8. [AB2020-509](#) Ordinance authorizing the Levy of Taxes for the General Fund for 2021
9. [AB2020-510](#) Ordinance authorizing the Levy of Taxes for Countywide Emergency Medical purposes for 2021
10. [AB2020-511](#) Ordinance limiting the General Fund property tax levy
11. [AB2020-512](#) Ordinance authorizing the Levy of Taxes for County Conservation Futures Purposes for 2021
12. [AB2020-513](#) Ordinance authorizing the Levy of Taxes for road purposes for 2021
13. [AB2020-520](#) Ordinance imposing an interim moratorium on the acceptance and processing of applications and permits for new or expanded facilities in the Cherry Point urban growth area, the primary purpose of which would be the shipment of unrefined fossil fuels not to be processed at Cherry Point
14. [AB2020-491](#) Resolution adopting 2021 budget for the Point Roberts Transportation Benefit District (Council acting as the governing body of the Point Roberts Transportation Benefit District)

15. [AB2020-493](#) Resolution adopting the 2021 budget for the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Subzones (Council acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

16. [AB2020-514](#) Resolution authorizing the levy of taxes for the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District for 2021 (Whatcom County Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

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