

Whatcom County Council

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Meeting Agenda

**VIRTUAL MEETING (TO PARTICIPATE, SEE INSTRUCTIONS AT
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Tuesday, July 13, 2021

6 PM

Virtual Meeting

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CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

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COUNTY COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

FLAG SALUTE

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COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

MINUTES CONSENT

1. [MIN2021-053](#) Committee of the Whole for June 29, 2021
2. [MIN2021-054](#) Regular County Council for June 29, 2021

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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1. [AB2021-363](#) Ordinance amending the Whatcom County Code and Comprehensive Plan, requiring a site-specific geotechnical analysis when mineral extraction is proposed within 500 feet of a gas or petroleum transmission pipeline
2. [AB2021-370](#) Ordinance adopting Whatcom County Code Chapter 16.50 Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy and Resiliency (C-PACER) Program within 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.

1. [AB2021-383](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Island County for Mini-Chain Services in the amount of \$5,359.00
2. [AB2021-385](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to award Bid #21-31 and enter into a subsequent contract between Whatcom County and Foss Maritime for the annual drydocking, repair and maintenance of the Whatcom Chief ferry, in the amount of \$773,839
3. [AB2021-387](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs for Registered Sex Offender Address and Residency Verification Program, in the amount of \$139,688.00
4. [AB2021-391](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Ecology for litter cleanup activities, in the amount of \$71,100
5. [AB2021-399](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Snohomish Health District for participation in the North Sound Regional Youth Marijuana Prevention and Education Program, in the amount of \$27,000
6. [AB2021-400](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Skagit County for participation in the North Sound Regional Youth Marijuana Prevention and Education Program, in the amount of \$27,000

OTHER ITEMS

(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. [AB2021-346](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Silver Lake Park Improvement Fund, request no. 3
2. [AB2021-365](#) Ordinance amending the Whatcom County Budget, request no. 11, in the amount of \$5,728,416
3. [AB2021-375](#) Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 2.98, Point Roberts Community Advisory Committee, to revise membership
4. [AB2021-393](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Commerce for resources to assist people who are experiencing homelessness obtain and maintain housing stability, in the amount of \$6,335,182
5. [AB2021-397](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and City of Lynden for Economic Development Investment (EDI) loan and grant funding to support the West Front Street Arterial Improvement Project, in the amount of \$2,000,000
6. [AB2021-398](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Social and Health Services for the administration of developmental disabilities services, in the amount of \$4,125,535
7. [AB2021-401](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a purchase and sale agreement for the acquisition of 5.9 acres of undeveloped property adjoining Squires Lake Park in the amount of \$90,000

(From Council Committee of the Whole)

8. [AB2021-360](#) Ordinance to establish an independent review of the community response to the COVID-19 Pandemic

(No Committee Assignment)

9. [AB2021-392](#) Request approval of a motion to authorize Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor Karen Frakes to vote on behalf of Whatcom County in favor of the Fifth Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization of Purdue Pharma L.P. and its Affiliated Debtors in re: Purdue Pharma, et al. Case No. 19-23649 (RDD), United States Bankruptcy Court of the Southern District of New York

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. [AB2021-384](#) Request confirmation of the County Executive's reappointments of David Warren and Daniel Larner to the Bellingham-Whatcom Public Facilities District

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. [AB2021-403](#) Ordinance adopting amendments to the Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan and Whatcom County Code relating to the Cherry Point UGA fossil fuel facilities, renewable fuel facilities, piers, SEPA, greenhouse gas emissions, and other matters
2. [AB2021-405](#) Ordinance requesting that the Whatcom County Auditor include the question of establishing a Birch Bay Library Capital Facility Area to finance a new library facility in Birch Bay on the ballot at the November general election

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

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