

# **Whatcom County Council**

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
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## **Meeting Agenda**

**Wednesday, November 9, 2022**

**6 PM**

**Hybrid Meeting**

**HYBRID MEETING (PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON, SEE REMOTE JOIN INSTRUCTIONS AT [www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil](http://www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil), OR CALL 360.778.5010)**

### **COUNCILMEMBERS**

Barry Buchanan  
Tyler Byrd  
Todd Donovan  
Ben Elenbaas  
Carol Frazey  
Kaylee Galloway  
Kathy Kershner

### **CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

## COUNTY COUNCIL

### CALL TO ORDER

### ROLL CALL

### FLAG SALUTE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

### MINUTES CONSENT

1. [MIN2022-067](#) Committee of the Whole Executive Session for October 25, 2022
2. [MIN2022-068](#) Committee of the Whole for October 25, 2022
3. [MIN2022-070](#) Regular County Council for October 25, 2022

### 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. [AB2022-581](#) Resolution to declare Whatcom County Real Property as Surplus and Approve Sale
2. [AB2022-601](#) Ordinance amending the project based budget for the Courthouse Improvement Fund, request no. 2
3. [AB2022-604](#) Ordinance amending the Whatcom County Budget, request no. 15, in the amount of \$153,395
4. [AB2022-606](#) Ordinance Authorizing the Levy of Taxes for Conservation Futures Purposes for 2023
5. [AB2022-607](#) Ordinance Authorizing the Levy of Taxes for County Road Purposes for 2023

6. [AB2022-608](#) Ordinance Authorizing the Levy of Taxes for County and State Purposes in Whatcom County, Washington, for the Year of 2023
7. [AB2022-609](#) Ordinance amending the project based budget for the Courthouse Building Envelope Fund, request no. 5
8. [AB2022-610](#) Ordinance adopting the Six-Year Capital Improvement Program for Whatcom County Facilities 2023-2028
9. [AB2022-611](#) Resolution adopting the 2023-2024 budget for the Point Roberts Transportation Benefit District (Council acting as the governing body of the Point Roberts Transportation Benefit District)
10. [AB2022-612](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Courthouse Improvement Fund, request no. 3
11. [AB2022-613](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Criminal Justice Integrated Case Management Systems Fund, request no. 1
12. [AB2022-614](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Finance System Software Fund, request no. 1
13. [AB2022-615](#) Ordinance amending the project budget for the Silver Lake Park Improvement Fund, request no. 4
14. [AB2022-616](#) Ordinance establishing the Bellingham Senior Center HVAC Replacement Fund and establishing a project based budget for the Bellingham Senior Center HVAC Replacement project
15. [AB2022-617](#) Ordinance establishing the Plantation Rifle Range Lead Reclamation & Capital Improvements Fund and establishing a project based budget for the Plantation Rifle Range Lead Reclamation & Capital Improvements project
16. [AB2022-618](#) Ordinance in the matter of the adoption of the final budget of Whatcom County for the Biennium 2023-2024
17. [AB2022-620](#) Resolution adopting the 2023 budget for the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Subzones (Council acting as the Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)
18. [AB2022-622](#) Resolution authorizing the levy of taxes for the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District for 2023
19. [AB2022-632](#) Ordinance Authorizing the Levy of Taxes for Countywide Emergency Medical Purposes for 2023

20. [AB2022-637](#) Ordinance closing COVID-19 Emergency Response (CARES Act) Fund 134
21. [AB2022-638](#) Ordinance establishing a Capital Facilities Reserve Fund

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

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1. [AB2022-571](#) Ordinance amending the Whatcom County Code relating to Personal Wireless Service Facilities

### **OPEN SESSION**

During open session, audience members may speak to the council on issues not scheduled for public hearing. To participate, please see instructions at [www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil](http://www.whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil) or contact the Council Office at 360.778.5010. All speakers are asked to state their name for the record and optionally include city of residence. 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. Speakers will be given three minutes to address the Council and will be notified when their three minutes are up. Speakers participating on-site in the Council Chambers will speak first, followed by those participating remotely.

### **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. [AB2022-595](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Washington State Military Department to purchase portable radios, in the amount of \$35,682
2. [AB2022-603](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the State of Washington Puget Sound Partnership for water resources programs in the Whatcom County region, in the amount of \$375,000 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)
3. [AB2022-605](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Geneva Consulting Services to coordinate the Whatcom Local Integrating Organization (LIO), in the amount of \$247,587.46 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

4. [AB2022-619](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the Whatcom Conservation District for agriculture best management practices outreach and financial assistance, in the amount of \$66,000 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)
5. [AB2022-623](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and PeaceHealth to provide access to Epic in the amount of \$10,068 annually for a total amended contract amount of \$59,264
6. [AB2022-626](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interlocal Agreement modification between Whatcom County and the City of Bellingham for What-Comm Communications Center operations
7. [AB2022-628](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an Interlocal Agreement amendment between Whatcom County and Basic Life Support First Responder agencies in the amount of \$5,951,262.55
8. [AB2022-629](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Hunt Forensics, LLC in the amount of \$89,028
9. [AB2022-631](#) Resolution approving a salary schedule and policies for Unrepresented Whatcom County employees effective January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023
10. [AB2022-635](#) Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Code Publishing, LLC and Whatcom County for legal code publishing services

## **OTHER ITEMS**

### **(From Council Planning and Development Committee)**

1. [AB2022-586](#) Discussion and motion to approve the Public Participation Plan for Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulation Amendments

### **(No Committee Assignment)**

2. [AB2022-639](#) Approval of Special Standing Meetings for 2023

## **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES**

1. [AB2022-538](#) Appointment to fill a vacancy on the Criminal Justice Treatment Account Panel, Substance Use Disorder Treatment Agency Position, Applicant(s): Julie Grendon
2. [AB2022-592](#) Appointment to fill a vacancy on the Forestry Advisory Committee, Small Forest Landowner Position, Applicant(s): Holly Koon

3. [AB2022-593](#) Appointment to fill a vacancy on Drainage District 3, Commissioner Position #3,  
Applicant(s): Paul Sangha

**CONFIRMATION OF 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. [AB2022-602](#) Request confirmation of the County Executive's appointment of Jackie Dexter to the  
Marine Resources Committee

**ITEMS ADDED BY REVISION**

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

**ADJOURN**