



# Whatcom County

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## Agenda Bill Master Report

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**TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:**

Ordinance amending Ordinance 2020-079 to change the due date of the Phase III Report of the Child and Family Well-Being Task Force

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:**

See attachment

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### HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

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<b>Date:</b>	<b>Acting Body:</b>	<b>Action:</b>	<b>Sent To:</b>
07/26/2022	Council	INTRODUCED	Council Public Works & Health Committee
		Aye: 5 Buchanan, Donovan, Frazey, Galloway, and Kershner	
		Nay: 1 Elenbaas	
		Absent: 1 Byrd	
08/09/2022	Council Public Works & Health Committee	RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION	
		Aye: 3 Buchanan, Galloway, and Kershner	
		Nay: 0	
		Absent: 0	
08/09/2022	Council	ADOPTED	
		Aye: 7 Elenbaas, Frazey, Galloway, Kershner, Buchanan, Byrd, and Donovan	
		Nay: 0	
		Absent: 0	

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**Attachments:** Staff Memo, Proposed ordinance

1 **PROPOSED BY:** Health Department  
2 **INTRODUCTION DATE:** July 26th, 2022  
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5 **ORDINANCE NO.** 2022-058  
6 **AMENDING ORDINANCE 2020-079 TO CHANGE PHASE III REPORT DEADLINE**  
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8 WHEREAS, in April 2019, the County Health Board adopted Resolution 2019-020 affirming  
9 commitment to Whatcom County's Young Children and Families; and

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11 WHEREAS, in February 2020, the County Health Board officially adopted a child and family  
12 action plan entitled: "Whatcom Working Towards Well-being: An Action Plan for County  
13 Government" (Action Plan); and

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15 WHEREAS, in December 2020, the Child & Family Well-Being Task Force was established by  
16 ordinance 2020-079; and

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18 WHEREAS, the Child & Family Well-Being Task Force voted in a special meeting on May 31<sup>st</sup>,  
19 2022 to approve a letter recommending the passage of proposed ordinance 2022-045; and

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21 WHEREAS, proposed ordinance 2022-45 would submit to electors of Whatcom County to lift  
22 the regular property taxes under chapter 84.55 RCW for the purpose of funding for  
23 childcare, early learning programs, and increase support for vulnerable children; and

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25 WHEREAS, as a result of the passing of ordinance 2022-045, the Child & Family Well-Being  
26 Task Force met on June 13<sup>th</sup> and July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 to discuss the impact on the work being  
27 conducted for PHASE III report; and

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29 WHEREAS, the Task Force determined election outcome on the levy changes would greatly  
30 impact the relevant content of the PHASE III report; and

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32 WHEREAS, the ordinance calls for the task force to develop reports on initial work and tasks  
33 accomplished to be presented to County Council and County Executive in the following  
34 phases:

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36 PHASE I – Establish Task Force processes and procedures. Clarify goals and metrics.  
37 Establish processes for shared accountability for results. Evaluate and recommend  
38 infrastructure model for County adoption. Propose scope and approach for County  
39 fiscal analysis to identify existing and potential funding streams for child and family  
40 programs. Review and identify existing child and family serving collaborative  
41 resources and initiatives, and infrastructure. Recommend strategies to fill the gaps  
42 identified. Deliver the initial Phase I report by June 1, 2021

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44 PHASE II -- Develop and establish methods to increase and stabilize funding streams  
45 for child and family programs, services, and infrastructure. Deliver the initial Phase II  
46 report as completed no later than March 2022.

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48 PHASE III – Develop specific operational plans and budgets leading to  
49 implementation of appropriate programs, services and infrastructure. Include details  
50 on assignment of responsibilities, and projected outcomes anticipated. Deliver the  
51 initial Phase III report with sufficient details to proceed with programs and  
52 infrastructure no later than October 1, 2022; and

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54 WHEREAS, Whatcom County Code 2.106, 106.090 of ordinance 2020-079 says biannual  
55 reports will be submitted no later than March 30 and September 30 of each year.  
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1 WHEREAS, the Task Force voted on July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 to request changes to the deadline of  
2 the PHASE III report; and

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4 WHEREAS, the proposed change will allow inclusion of election outcomes to better inform  
5 operational and budget plans, while aligning with Whatcom County Code 2.106, 106.090.  
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7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that Ordinance 2020-  
8 079 be amended as shown as follows:  
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26 infrastructure no later than ~~October 1, 2022~~ March 30, 2023.  
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28 **ADOPTED** this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022.  
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32 **ATTEST:** → ★ ←

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35 Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council  
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**WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Todd Donovan, Council Chair

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**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

/s/ Royce Buckingham (via e-mail 8/8/22) / fl  
**Civil Deputy Prosecutor**

**WHATCOM COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
**WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Satpal Sidhy, County Executive

Approved      ( ) Denied

Date Signed: 8/15/22