# Whatcom County Council Committee of the Whole-Executive Session

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## **Committee Minutes - Final**

Tuesday, January 24, 2023 3:30 PM Hybrid Meeting

HYBRID MEETING - ADJOURNS BY 4:30 P.M.; MAY BEGIN EARLY (PARTICIPATE IN-PERSON AT 311 GRAND AVENUE SUITE 101, SEE REMOTE JOIN INSTRUCTIONS AT 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.

#### Call To Order

#### **Roll Call**

**Present:** 7 - Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, Todd Donovan, Ben Elenbaas, Carol Frazey, Kaylee Galloway, and Kathy Kershner

Absent: None

#### Announcements

#### **Committee Discussion**

Attorneys Present: Karen Frakes, Chris Quinn, and Royce Buckingham. Buchanan stated that discussion of agenda items one through three may take place in executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i). Executive session will conclude no later than 4:30 p.m. If the meeting extends beyond

session will conclude no later than 4:30 p.m. If the meeting extends beyond the stated conclusion time, Council Staff will make a public announcement.

**Donovan moved** to go into executive session until no later than 4:30 p.m. to discuss the agenda item(s) pursuant to the RCW citation(s) as announced by the Council Chair. The motion was seconded by Byrd.

The motion carried 7-0.

1. AB2023-060 Discussion with Whatcom County Planning and Development Services, County legal,

and outside counsel, Dennis McLerran, regarding Petrogas permit compliance [Discussion of this item may take place in executive session (closed to the public)

pursuant to 42.30.110 (1)(i)]

This agenda item was DISCUSSED.

2. <u>AB2023-053</u> Discussion with Whatcom County Public Works and County legal regarding potential

litigation related to the acquisition of property located at Smith and Hannegan Roads for road project [Discussion of this item may take place in executive session (closed

to the public) pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i)]

This agenda item was DISCUSSED.

3. AB2023-058 Discussion of pending litigation with Civil Deputy Prosecutor George Roche, re: Olga

Grishchuk, an individual, Victor Grishchuk, an individual, and Michael Grishchuk, an individual v. Andrew Mellema, an individual, and Whatcom County, Whatcom County Superior Court Cause No. 22-2-01274-37 [Discussion of this item may take

place in executive session (closed to the public) pursuant to RCW42.30.110 (1) (i)]

This agenda item was DISCUSSED.

## **Items Added by Revision**

There were no agenda items added by revision.

## **Other Business**

There was no other business.

## Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

The County Council approved these minutes on February 7, 2023.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL WHATCOM COUNTY, WA

Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

Kristi Felbinger, Minutes Transcription