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Memorandum

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TO: The Honorable Jack Louws, Whatcom County Executive
The Honorable Whatcom County Council

FROM: Matt Aamot, Senior Planner *MA*

THROUGH: Mark Personius, Director *MP*

RE: Lummi Island Ferry – Comp Plan Amendments (PLN2019-00004)

The subject proposal is to modify the Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan as follows:

- Amending Policy 6A-1 relating to Lummi Island ferry level of service.
- Deleting Policy 6C-9 relating to a ferry feasibility study.

The Lummi Island Ferry Advisory Committee was established by WCC 2.145 (adopted in 2012). This Advisory Committee proposed modifications to Comprehensive Plan Policy 6A-1 relating to ferry level of service. Additionally, the *Lummi Island Ferry System Level of Service Alternatives Analysis Final Report* was issued on July 5, 2018. Therefore, Comprehensive Plan Policy 6C-9, relating to a ferry feasibility study, should be deleted because the study is complete. The Whatcom County Council endorsed the Lummi Island Ferry Advisory Committee recommendations by approval of Resolution 2018-026 on July 24, 2018.

The Whatcom County Planning Commission held a public hearing and recommended approval of these Comprehensive Plan amendments on January 24, 2019.

We are now requesting Council review of the amendments and anticipate that the County Council would make a final decision when all comprehensive plan amendments are reviewed concurrently.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. We look forward to discussing it with you.