

### **Whatcom County**

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#### **TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:**

Ordinance amending WCC 2.120.040 Membership- Term of Office for Surface Mining Advisory Committee

### SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

The proposal will amend Whatcom County Code (WCC) 2.120.040 to allow the County Council to waive the one-year period of separation set forth in WCC 2.03.030 when committee positions remain unfilled.

### HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
04/09/2019	Council	INTRODUCED	Council Natural Resources Committee
04/23/2019	Council Natural Resources Committee	RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION	
04/23/2019	Council	ADOPTED	

Attachments:

Staff Memo 3/20/2019, Ordinance, Exhibit A - Underline, Exhibit A - Clean, Notice of Introduction

4.9.19

**Final Action: Enactment Date:**  04/23/2019 04/23/2019

Enactment #:

ORD 2019-034

PROPOSED BY: <u>PDS</u>
INTRODUCTION DATE: <u>04/09/2019</u>

ORDINANCE # 2019-034	
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# AMENDMENT TO WHATCOM COUNTY CODE 2.120.040 MEMBERSHIP-TERM OF OFFICE FOR THE SURFACE MINING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**WHEREAS,** the Whatcom County Surface Mining Advisory Committee is comprised of 11 members appointed by the County Council; and

**WHEREAS,** appointments to boards, committees and commissions made by the council may be for a term up to four years; and

**WHEREAS,** no board, commission or committee member shall serve more than two consecutive full terms; and

**WHEREAS,** a citizen may become eligible for reappointment to a board, commission or committee after a one-year period of separation from that respective board, commission or committee on which he or she has previously served; and

WHEREAS, the Surface Mining Advisory Committee presently has 6 vacancies; and

**WHEREAS,** recent committee members who have not obtained one-year of separation are not presently eligible to reapply but

**WHEREAS,** recent committee members may be willing to continue serving on the committee.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED** that Whatcom County Code Chapter 2.120 is hereby amended as shown in Exhibit A.

ADOPTED this 23 day of April , 2019

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Dana Brown-Davis Council Clerk

APPROVED as to form:

Approved () Denied

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Date: 4.24.13

### **Exhibit A**

### **Title 2 Administration and Personnel Amendments**

# Chapter 2.120 SURFACE MINING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### 2.120.040 Membership - Term of Office

- A. The committee shall consist of the following individuals:
  - 1. One civil or geotechnical engineer with no direct or indirect financial business ties to the industry;
  - 2. One material user;
  - 3. One geologist;
  - 4. Two members of the surface mining industry;
  - 5. One citizen who lives in close proximity to active mining, mineral overlay area, or quarry;
  - 6. One representative of agriculture from the conservation district;
  - 7. One representative of forestry;
  - 8. One representative of ground water as a potable, domestic supply, specifically a public water system or private well owner;
  - 9. One ecologist;
  - 10. One environmental consultant.
- B. Committee members shall be appointed by the county council. Member terms will be four years. (Ord. 2000-017).
- C. When a committee member has completed two consecutive full terms, if a position on the committee remains unfilled for one month, the County Council shall have the right to waive the one-year period of separation set forth in WCC
  - 2.03.030. The exiting committee member may apply for any vacant position for which they are qualified.
- D. When considering applications for appointments to this committee, county council should stagger the terms such that the term limit requirement in WCC 2.03.030 does not cause more than five positions to expire simultaneously.