

# **Whatcom County**

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# **Agenda Bill Master Report**

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Resolution supporting environmentally friendly renewable energy projects

## **SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:**

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Aye: 7 Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, Elenbaas, and Kershner

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PROPOSED BY: <u>BYRD</u> INTRODUCED: JANUARY 28, 2020

### **RESOLUTION 2020-004**

# SUPPORTING ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS

**WHEREAS**, the County recognizes the value of renewable fuels and the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize the benefit of supporting the transition to lower carbon alternatives sooner rather later; and

**WHEREAS**, we understand that some of our local companies may be uniquely positioned to take advantage of such a transition and the County would like to support such transitions; and

**WHEREAS**, we desire to pass on a clean environment to future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, we would like to create a supportive environment to encourage more environmentally friendly energy projects locally; and

**WHEREAS**, the County supports creating new and maintaining existing living wage jobs within Whatcom County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Whatcom County Council will work with the County Executive and County Planning Department to create an expedited permitting process and try to define legal uncertainties for all renewable energy projects, including the Green Apple Project.

ADORTED this, 28th day of January, 2020.

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Dama Brown-Davis Sclerk of the Council

Civil Deputy Prosecutor

ARPROVED AS TO FOR

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL WHATCOM COUNTY WASHINGTON

Barry Buchanan, Council Chair