

# **Whatcom County**

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## **Agenda Bill Master Report**

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

Ordinance adopting Countywide Planning Policies relating to the Review and Evaluation Program (also known as Buildable Lands) and dispute resolution procedures

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

Ordinance adopting Countywide Planning Policies (CWPPs) relating to the Review and Evaluation Program (also known as Buildable Lands) and dispute resolution procedures. The Washington State Legislature approved ESSSB 5254 relating to the Growth Management Act's "Review and Evaluation" (buildable lands) program requirements in 2017. This legislation imposes new requirements that Whatcom County must address, in close coordination with the cities, over the next several years (see RCW 36.70A.215). One of these requirements is to amend the CWPPs. The seven cities have concurred with the proposed CWPPs. The County Council has the final authority to adopt CWPPs.

### HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:			Action:	Sent To:	
01/26/2021	Council			INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING	Council	
		Aye:	7	Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Frazey, Elenba	aas, Kershner, and Donovan	
		Nay:	0			
		Absent:	0			

02/09/2021 Council ADOPTED

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

Nay: 0 Absent: 0

Attachments: Staff Memo, Draft Ordinance, Final Draft Countywide Planning Policies