PROPOSED BY: Satpal Singh Sidhu

INTRODUCED: August 10, 2021

## A RESOLUTION ADOPTING WHATCOM COUNTY EMPLOYEE'S PERSONNEL HANDBOOK

WHEREAS, County Code 3.04, Personnel System, calls for standardized personnel policies and procedures referred to as the "Whatcom County Employee's Personnel Handbook;" and

WHEREAS, salaries, benefits, and employment policies for represented employees have been bargained, updated, and adopted over time by the County Council as Collective Bargaining Agreements; and

WHEREAS, the Council adopts salaries, benefits, and employment policies for employees not represented by a union or guild in the Unrepresented Salary & Policy Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive adopts and publishes Administrative Policies & Procedures Online (APPOL) pursuant to County Code 2.76 related to County administration and administrative services (human resources, finance, information technology, and facilities); and

WHEREAS, new laws, programs, and protections related to employment and human resources have been added to collective bargaining agreements, unrepresented resolutions, and APPOL over time; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive approved the updated "Whatcom County Employee's Personnel Handbook" on August 2, 2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Whatcom County Council that the "Whatcom County Employee's Personnel Handbook" is adopted by resolution and previous resolutions amending personnel policies are superseded. The Handbook may be amended only by resolution except for informational and non-substantive changes as necessary to keep the Handbook current.

APPROVED this 10th day of August, 2021.

| ATTEST:                                | WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON |
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| Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council | Barry Buchanan, Council Chair                     |

Karen Frakes, Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: