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WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
Finance and Administrative Services Committee

April 9, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Satpal Sidhu called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, Washington.

ROLL CALL

Present: Tyler Byrd, Carol Frazey, and Satpal Sidhu
Absent: None
Also Present: Barbara Brenner, Barry Buchanan, Rud Browne, and Todd Donovan

COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

Jack Louws, County Executive, reported on a recent community meeting with councilmembers in Point Roberts and answered questions on the development of the boardwalk.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

1. **AB2019-189 REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND PACIFIC CM LLC FOR MATERIAL SAMPLE COLLECTION, ON-SITE MATERIAL INSPECTION, ON-SITE CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION, CONCRETE TESTING, HOT MIX ASPHALT (HMA), AGGREGATES AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, FOR VARIOUS PROJECTS, IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$200,000**

Byrd moved to recommend approval to the full Council.

Jim Karcher, Public Works Department, gave a staff report and answered questions.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Byrd, Frazey, and Sidhu (3)
Nays: None (0)

2. **AB2019-187 ORDINANCE AMENDING WHATCOM COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 2.128, BUSINESS AND COMMERCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, TO AMEND MEMBERSHIP**

Buchanan moved to recommend adoption to the full Council.

Councilmembers discussed the membership and ensuring an odd number of advisory committee members.

1 **Sidhu moved** to amend to also add an additional at-large member to create an odd
2 number of voting members.

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4 The motion to amend carried by the following vote:

5 **Ayes:** Byrd, Frazey, and Sidhu (3)
6 **Nays:** None (0)
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8 The motion to recommend approval as amended carried by the following vote:

9 **Ayes:** Byrd, Frazey, and Sidhu (3)
10 **Nays:** None (0)
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12 **3. AB2019-176 ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FERRY SYSTEM PETTY CASH**
13 **REVOLVING FUND FROM \$1800 TO \$3300**

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15 **Frazey moved** to recommend adoption to the full Council.

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17 Jon Hutchings, Public Works Department Director, gave a staff report.

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19 Councilmembers and staff discussed why cash handling rules require an ordinance to
20 increase petty cash amounts.

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22 The motion carried by the following vote:

23 **Ayes:** Byrd, Frazey, and Sidhu (3)
24 **Nays:** None (0)
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26 **4. AB2019-184 ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROJECT BUDGET FOR THE**
27 **EAST WHATCOM REGIONAL RESOURCE CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT, IN THE**
28 **AMOUNT OF \$115,000**

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30 **Frazey moved** to recommend adoption to the full Council.

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32 Tyler Schroeder, Executive's Office, gave a staff report.

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34 Councilmembers and staff asked about the food bank at the location.

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36 The motion carried by the following vote:

37 **Ayes:** Byrd, Frazey, and Sidhu (3)
38 **Nays:** None (0)
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41 **COUNCIL "CONSENT AGENDA" ITEMS**

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43 **1. AB2019-173 REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO**
44 **ENTER INTO A CONTRACT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND WASHINGTON**
45 **STATE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION FOR ANNUAL RECREATIONAL**
46 **BOATING SAFETY FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANT, IN THE**
47 **AMOUNT OF \$15,392.75 AND REQUIRING LOCAL MATCH OF \$27,617.31**

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49 **Byrd moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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51 The motion carried by the following vote:

52 **Ayes:** Byrd, Frazey, and Sidhu (3)
53 **Nays:** None (0)

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2 **2. AB2019-185 REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE**
3 **TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT AMENDMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY**
4 **AND CODE PUBLISHING CO. TO INCREASE COMPENSATION TO AN AMENDED**
5 **TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$63,412**

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7 *Frazey moved* to recommend approval to the full Council.

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9 Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council, answered questions about Code Publishing's
10 service to the County Council in publishing the County Code on its website.

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12 The motion carried by the following vote:

13 **Ayes:** Byrd, Frazey, and Sidhu (3)

14 **Nays:** None (0)

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16 **3. AB2019-195 REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO**
17 **ENTER INTO A CONTRACT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND CASCADIA**
18 **LAW GROUP, PLCC TO DEVELOP SPECIFIC TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE**
19 **WHATCOM COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND WHATCOM COUNTY CODE**
20 **(WCC) THAT IMPLEMENT AND ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF**
21 **RESOLUTION NO. 2019-004**

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23 *Frazey moved* to recommend approval to the full Council.

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25 Councilmembers discussed whether the contracted attorneys are biased and the
26 original selection process for hiring the law firm.

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28 The motion carried by the following vote:

29 **Ayes:** Frazey and Sidhu (2)

30 **Nays:** Byrd (1)

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32 **4. AB2019-206 REQUEST APPROVAL FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO AWARD**
33 **RFP #19-12, AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A 36-MONTH LEASE**
34 **WITH MARPLE FLEET LEASING FOR LEASING FOUR VEHICLES FOR THE**
35 **SHERIFF'S OFFICE, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$71,704.12**

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37 *Byrd moved* to recommend approval to the full Council.

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39 Jeff Parks, Sheriff's Office, gave a staff report and answered questions.

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41 Councilmembers and staff discussed the reason for leasing instead of buying.

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43 The motion carried by the following vote:

44 **Ayes:** Byrd, Frazey, and Sidhu (3)

45 **Nays:** None (0)

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48 **OTHER BUSINESS**

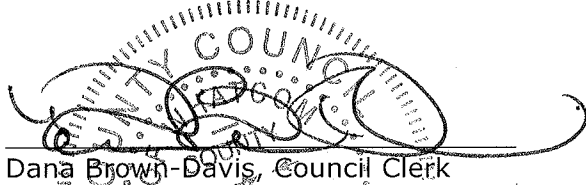
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50 There was no other business.

1 **ADJOURN**

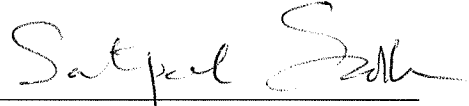
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3 The meeting adjourned at 12:32 p.m.

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6 ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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12 Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

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15 A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Satpal Sidhu', is written in a cursive style.

16 Satpal Sidhu, Committee Chair

17 A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jill Nixon', is written over a circular official seal. The seal contains the text 'WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL' and 'STATE OF WASHINGTON'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Jill Nixon, Minutes Transcription