

**Whatcom County
Council Planning and Development Committee**

COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Committee Minutes - Final

ESTIMATED TIME - MEETING MAY BEGIN EARLIER/LATER THAN 3:30 P.M.

Tuesday, October 8, 2019

3:30 PM

Council Chambers

COUNCILMEMBERS

Barbara Brenner

Tyler Byrd

Todd Donovan

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

Call To Order

Committee Chair Tyler Byrd called the meeting to order at 3:27 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, Washington.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Barbara Brenner, Tyler Byrd and Todd Donovan

Absent: None

Also present: Rud Browne, Barry Buchanan, Carol Frazey, Satpal Sidhu

Committee Discussion

1. AB2019-511 Discussion regarding draft interim zoning regulations for the siting, establishment, and operation of temporary homeless facilities

Tyler Schroeder, Executive's Office, gave an update and discussed a proposed language change to section 4(I):

“No children under the age of 18 are allowed to stay overnight in the temporary encampment, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian. If a child under the age of 18 without a parent or guardian present attempts to stay at the encampment, the sponsor and the managing agency ~~shall immediately contact Child Protective Services~~ and shall actively endeavor to find alternative shelter for the child through community partners such as Northwest Youth Services, Opportunity Council, Lighthouse Mission, Interfaith Coalition and other appropriate homeless youth services organizations.”

Shroeder answered questions and Councilmembers discussed proposing alternate language for connecting a child under 18 to alternative shelter without turning the child away in the mean time, and removing temporary tent encampments from the definitions (packet page 435, section 3(b)).

This agenda item was DISCUSSED.

2. AB2019-479 Discussion of proposed ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Chapters 11.16 and 11.20 to protect Lake Samish shoreline properties and Lake Samish water recreation

Councilmembers discussed getting the opinion of staff or an objective third party,

setting a distance from the bridge for a no-wake zone, challenges in patrolling boat types as opposed to certain activities on the lake and getting the perspective of the Sheriff's Office, creating or adjusting the boundaries to take into account an increase of people coming to Lake Samish from outside of the area to recreate on the lake, and including regulations in the ordinance for dealing with the issue of Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS).

Byrd opened the floor and the following spoke:

Gary Baker
Stewart Thomas
Mark Walker
Gary Simon
Eric McHenry
Janet Monks
Paul Joosten
Micah Ping
David DeYoung
Mary Walker
Debbie Noonan
Jason Alexander
Rich DeVeau

Councilmembers continued their discussion about distances of a no-wake zone from the bridge from a map submitted by a citizen, water contamination, and enforcement of rules.

This agenda item was HELD IN COMMITTEE.

Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council

1. AB2019-417 Resolution to replace the Business Rules of the Whatcom County Hearing Examiner

This agenda item was WITHDRAWN.

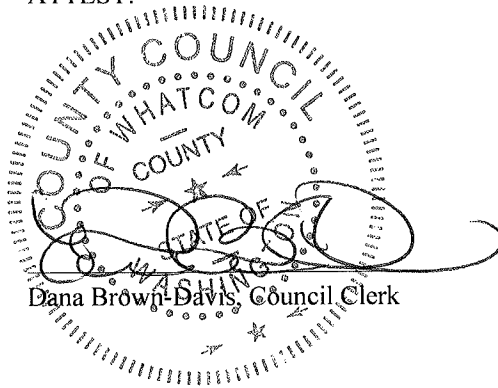
Other Business

There was no other business.

Adjournment

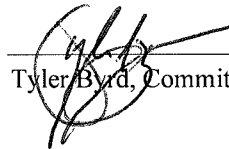
The meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

ATTEST:



Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

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Tyler Byrd, Committee Chair

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