Whatcom County Council Public Works & Health Committee

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Committee Minutes - Final

Tuesday, February 11, 2020 1 PM Council Chambers

> COUNCILMEMBERS Todd Donovan Carol Frazey Kathy Kershner

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

Call To Order

Committee Chair Carol Frazey called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, Washington.

<u>Roll Call</u>

Present: 3 - Carol Frazey, Todd Donovan and Kathy Kershner **Absent:** None

Also present: Rud Browne, Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, and Ben Elenbaas

Committee Discussion and Recommendation to Council

1. <u>AB2020-056</u> Resolution to establish income eligibility designation for use of the Veterans Assistance Fund

Anne Deacon, Health Department, introduced the presentation.

Liz Harmon-Craig, Health Department, gave a presentation (in the packet). She briefed the Council on the history of the Veterans Assistance Program, how it is funded, the various forms of assistance and services the program provides and statistics for claims that have been filed in Whatcom County.

Harmon-Craig and Ann Beck, Health Department, answered questions about whether all the workers who help with transportation are volunteers; coordinating with other agencies and programs to transport people down to Seattle for various services; the chore program run by the Opportunity Council which is a program that matches volunteers with seniors, veterans, and adults with disabilities to assist with the everyday chores they are physically unable to do; and helping veterans who have lost their ID.

Donovan moved that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye: 3 Frazey, Donovan and Kershner
- Nay: 0
- Absent: 0

Other Business

There was no other business.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:54 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

Carol Frazey, Committee Chair

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