

Whatcom County Council Committee of the Whole

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Committee Minutes - Final

VIRTUAL MEETING - ENDS NO LATER THAN 2 P.M.

Tuesday, October 13, 2020

1 PM

Virtual Meeting

COUNCILMEMBERS

Rud Browne
Barry Buchanan
Tyler Byrd
Todd Donovan
Ben Elenbaas
Carol Frazey
Kathy Kershner

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

Call To Order

Council Chair Barry Buchanan called the meeting to order at 1 p.m. in a virtual meeting.

Roll Call

Present: 7 - Rud Browne, Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, Todd Donovan, Carol Frazey, Ben Elenbaas and Kathy Kershner

Absent: None

Special Presentation

1. [AB2020-422](#) Presentation on the CPacer Program

The following people presented (on file) and discussed the item with Councilmembers:

Seth Vidana, Climate and Energy Manager, City of Bellingham
Amy Wheelless, Northwest Energy Coalition/Shift Zero
John MacLean, President, Energy Efficiency Finance Corporation
Dan Clarkson, EEFC, Energy Efficiency Finance Corporation
Emily Larson Kubiak, Sustainable Connections
Mark Schofield, Opportunity Council
Michael Yaki, CPACE Alliance

The presenters answered questions about the "How it Works" diagram in the presentation and what parts of the financing process it relates to, how long the tax assessment for financing stays in place, why a County ordinance is needed to adopt the program whether the Council could get a copy of a model ordinance, how new the program is and whether anyone else has adopted it, the potential risks for a participating property owner, and being able to see real-life examples of the economics and financing associated with the program.

This agenda item was DISCUSSED.

Items Added by Revision

There were no agenda items added by revision.

Other Business

There was no other business.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:59 p.m.

The County Council approved these minutes on October 27, 2020.

ATTEST:

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Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

Kristi Felbinger, Minutes Transcription

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