

Whatcom County Council Planning and Development Committee

**COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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Committee Minutes - Final

**VIRTUAL MEETING - ENDS NO LATER THAN 3:10 P.M. (TO
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Tuesday, April 6, 2021**

2:40 PM

Virtual Meeting

COUNCILMEMBERS

Rud Browne
Todd Donovan
Ben Elenbaas

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

Call To Order

Committee Chair Ben Elenbaas called the meeting to order at 2:43p.m. in a virtual meeting.

Roll Call

Present: 3 - Rud Browne, Ben Elenbaas and Todd Donovan

Absent: None

Also Present: Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, Carol Frazey, and Kathy Kershner

Committee Discussion

1. [AB2021-161](#) Discussion regarding request received from the Planning Commission for Council to establish a citizen advisory group to review local government public participation issues and recommend improvements

Donovan briefed the Councilmembers and they discussed how this would be different from the Planning Commission's Public Participation Plan, who should be on the proposed advisory committee, figuring out the scope of work, cross-referencing and making the proposed plan consistent with the Public Participation Plan, and considering remote meeting participation options.

Natalie McClendon, Planning Commission member, spoke about the scope of work for the advisory group and the purpose of the draft resolution.

Councilmembers discussed how to proceed.

Elenbaas moved that they recommend that a draft resolution be brought to the Council this evening for further consideration.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Browne, Elenbaas, and Donovan

Nay: 0

This agenda item was DISCUSSED AND MOTION(S) APPROVED.

Items Added by Revision

There were no agenda items added by revision.

Other Business

McClendon, stated she checked with the Council Office whether this resolution could go on the agenda tonight.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Ben Elenbaas-via email 4/14/2021

Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

Ben Elenbaas, Committee Chair

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