

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN – September 11, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

Councilmembers Present: Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Sidhu, Donovan
Absent: None

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Proclamation declaring September as National Recovery Month in Whatcom County (Council acting as the Whatcom County Health Board) (AB2018-252)
Proclamation approved 7-0

MINUTES CONSENT

1. Special Committee of the Whole (AM) for July 10, 2018 - **Approved Consent 7-0**
2. Committee of the Whole for July 10, 2018 - **Approved Consent 7-0**
3. Special Committee of the Whole (PM) for July 10, 2018 - **Approved Consent 7-0**
4. County Council for July 10, 2018 - **Approved Consent 7-0**
5. Board of Health for July 17, 2018 - **Approved Consent 7-0**
6. Committee of the Whole for July 24, 2018 - **Approved Consent 7-0**
7. Special Committee of the Whole for July 24, 2018 - **Approved Consent 7-0**
8. County Council for July 24, 2018 - **Approved Consent 7-0**
9. County Council for August 8, 2018 - **Approved Consent 7-0**

OPEN SESSION

CONSENT AGENDA

(From Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Bellingham School District to provide behavioral health services within the Bellingham School District, in the amount of \$138,000, for a total amended contract amount of \$483,000 (AB2018-244)
Approved Consent 7-0
2. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Mt. Baker School District to provide behavioral health services within the Mt. Baker School District, in the amount of \$108,000, for a total amended contract amount of \$378,000 (AB2018-245)
Approved Consent 7-0
3. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and SeaMar Community Health Center to establish the hub agency that will facilitate the Ground-level Response and Coordinated Engagement (GRACE) program, in the amount of \$660,160.31 (AB2018-246)
Approved Consent 7-0
4. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office to receive funds to support acquisition of a conservation easement on the Brar Property, in the amount of \$157,200 (AB2018-247)
Approved Consent 7-0
5. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Natural Resources Conservation Service to receive matching funds for the acquisition of agricultural easements on the VanderWerff, McLeod, and Roper properties, in the amount of \$260,000 (AB2018-248)
Approved Consent 7-0
6. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Natural Resource Conservation Service to receive matching funds for the acquisition of agricultural easements on the Carbee, Brar, Greenwood, and Neptune Beach properties, in the amount of \$594,500 (AB2018-249)
Approved Consent 7-0

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OTHER ITEMS

(From Natural Resources Committee)

1. Ordinance adopting amendments to the Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) Program (AB2018-235)
Held in Committee

(From Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

2. Ordinance amending the 2018 Whatcom County Budget, tenth request, in the amount of \$485,339 (AB2018-236)
Adopted 6-1, Byrd opposed, Ordinance 2018-045
3. Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2014-078 (establishment of the 2015 Lighthouse Marine Park Improvement Fund and project based budget for Lighthouse Marine Park improvements), for the second time to add \$54,000 of expenditure authority, for a total amended project budget of \$328,500 (AB2018-237)
Adopted 7-0, Ordinance 2018-046
4. Resolution declaring Whatcom County real property as surplus (property known as the Welcome Pit) and setting a date for public hearing thereon, pursuant to Whatcom County Code 1.10 (AB2018-238)
Held for one year
5. Resolution declaring Whatcom County real property as surplus (property located on Deeter Road) and setting a date for public hearing thereon, pursuant to Whatcom County Code 1.10 (AB2018-211)
Approved 7-0, Resolution 2018-030
6. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a memorandum of agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Ecology to promote the efficient use of local and state agency resources, provide timely review and response to biosolids project proponents, and ensure continued protection of public health and the environment (AB2018-240)
Approved 7-0
7. Resolution authorizing Public Works to submit a grant application and, if successful, for the County Executive to enter into a grant agreement between Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office for funding through the Estuary and Salmon Restoration Program (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2018-241)
Approved 7-0, Resolution 2018-031
8. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Herrera Environmental Consultants to provide additional support to update and broaden the scope of the 1999 Lower Nooksack River Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plan and to integrate reach-scale strategies for flood risk reduction with the needs of salmon and floodplain land use, in the amount of \$150,000, for a total amended contract amount of \$189,000 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2018-242)
Approved 7-0
9. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and United States Geological Survey to provide integrated modeling to simulate the effects of the proposed project alternatives for flood hazard reduction and habitat improvements, and of projected changes in stream flows, sediment delivery sea-level rise, storm surges, and waves in the reach downstream of Ferndale, in the amount of \$250,000 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2018-243)
Approved 7-0

(From Public Works and Health Committee)

10. Resolution approving the Lake Whatcom Water and Sewer District Water System Comprehensive Plan (AB2018-256)
Approved 7-0, Resolution 2018-032

(From Planning and Development Committee)

11. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement amendment between Whatcom County and the City of Bellingham concerning the Bennett/Bakerview/Airport Drive annexation (AB2018-251)
Approved 7-0

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COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

1. Appointment to the Whatcom County Wildlife Advisory Committee (technical expertise in wildlife and habitat management representative), term ending December 31, 2022, applicant: Robert Waddell (AB2018-214) (from August 8)
Robert Waddell Appointed 5-1, Byrd opposed and Brenner abstained
2. Appointment to the Surface Mining Advisory Committee (ecologist representative), applicant: Dustin Gleaves (AB2018-222)
Dustin Gleaves Appointed 7-0

INTRODUCTION ITEMS

1. Receipt of application to fill vacancy on the Whatcom County Business and Commerce Advisory Committee (for-profit entity in recreation representative), applicant: Clark Campbell (committee advises the Whatcom County Council on various issues, including regulations and policies that could impact local businesses, industry, or economic development) (application deadline for any other applicants is 10 a.m. September 18, 2018) (AB2018-239)
Introduced 7-0
2. Resolution authorizing the sale of Whatcom County surplus property pursuant to Whatcom County Code 1.10 (AB2018-211A)
Introduced 7-0
3. Ordinance adopting amendments to the Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan and Whatcom County Code Title 24, Health Code (relating to water resources and the implementation of ESSB 6091) (AB2018-253)
Introduced 7-0
4. Ordinance amending the Whatcom County budget, eleventh request, in the amount of \$948,010 (AB2018-254)
Introduced 7-0
5. Resolution amending the Whatcom County Flood Control District and Subzones 2018 budget, third request, in the amount of \$86,391 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2018-255)
Introduced 7-0
6. Request for public comment and Council action on a request to authorize the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Bellingham to purchase inclement weather protective gear from funds provided by the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program, in the amount of \$13,223 (AB2018-257)
Introduced 7-0
7. Resolution approving the Whatcom County Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program for the years 2019 through 2024 (AB2018-250)
Introduced 7-0

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

ADJOURN

The next regular Council meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 25, 2018 in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham