

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN – September 25, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

Councilmembers Present: Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Sidhu, Donovan

Absent: None

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTES CONSENT

1. Committee of the Whole for September 11, 2018 - **Approved Consent 7-0**
2. Special Committee of the Whole for September 11, 2018 - **Approved Consent 7-0**
3. Regular County Council for September 11, 2018 - **Approved Consent 7-0**

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Resolution authorizing the sale of Whatcom County surplus property pursuant to Whatcom County Code 1.10 (AB2018-211A)
Approved 7-0, Resolution 2018-033
2. 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)
Adopted 7-0, Ordinance 2018-047
3. 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)
Approved 7-0
4. Resolution approving the Whatcom County Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program for the years 2019 through 2024 (AB2018-250)
Approved 7-0, Resolution 2018-034

OPEN SESSION

CONSENT AGENDA

(From Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a grant agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Ecology to fund administrative support and action projects for the Whatcom County Marine Resources Committee through the period of October 1, 2018, through September 30, 2019, in the amount of \$75,000 (AB2018-265)
Approved Consent 6-0, Byrd out of the room
2. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a property use agreement between Whatcom County and Whatcom Transit Authority (WTA) to provide limited authority for WTA to install, operate, and maintain a covered bus shelter at the existing bus stop location at Lookout Mountain Forest Preserve, 2537 Lake Louise Road (AB2018-266)
Withdrawn from the agenda

OTHER ITEMS

(From Natural Resources Committee)

1. Ordinance adopting amendments to the Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) Program (AB2018-235)
Held in Committee to October 23

(From Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

2. Ordinance amending the Whatcom County Budget, eleventh request, in the amount of \$948,010 (AB2018-254)
Adopted 6-0, Byrd out of the room, Ordinance 2018-048

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3. 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)
Approved 6-0, Byrd out of the room, Resolution 2018-035
4. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Washington Department of Ecology to provide a 6-person crew to perform habitat restoration and water quality work in the amount of \$79,695 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2018-260)
Approved 6-0, Byrd out of the room
5. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a joint funding agreement between Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and U.S. Geological Survey for operation, maintenance, and data reporting of stream gaging equipment at eight sites in the Nooksack Watershed, in the amount of \$86,391 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2018-261)
Approved 6-0, Byrd out of the room
6. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a grant agreement between Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Puget Sound Partnership to provide funds for the coordination of the Whatcom Local Integrating Organization for water resources programs, the amount of \$75,000 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2018-262)
Approved 5-1, Byrd out of the room and Brenner opposed
7. Request authorization for the Flood Control Zone District to approve the North Cottonwood Stormwater Improvements – Hazel Lane as a 2018 capital improvement project and authorize the County Executive to award bid #18-44 for the North Cottonwood Stormwater Improvements Hazel Lane Project to low bidder Strider Construction Company, Inc., in the amount of \$279,435 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2018-263)
Approved 6-0, Byrd out of the room
8. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Tetra Tech, Inc. to provide supplemental engineering design services to accommodate a revised project area for the Birch Bay Drive Outfall Improvement Project, in the amount of \$18,468, for a total amended contract amount of \$102,278 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2018-264)
Approved 6-0, Byrd out of the room

COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

1. Appointment to fill vacancy on the Business and Commerce Advisory Committee (for-profit entity in recreation representative), applicant: Clark Campbell (AB2018-239)
Clark Campbell Appointed 6-0, Byrd out of the room

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

1. Request confirmation of the County Executive's appointment of Lynne Graham and Andrea Vance to the Whatcom County Veteran's Advisory Board (AB2018-267)
Confirmed 6-0, Byrd out of the room

INTRODUCTION ITEMS

1. Receipt of application to fill vacancy on the Whatcom County Lake Whatcom Stormwater Utility Advisory Committee (geographic representative), applicant: Nancy Alyanak (committee advises the Whatcom County Council and the Public Works staff on recommended rate structure options and funding mechanism for the Lake Whatcom Stormwater Utility rate structure) (application deadline for any other applicants is 10 a.m. October 2, 2018) (AB2018-258)
Introduced 6-0, Byrd out of the room
2. Resolution adopting the Six-Year Water Resources Improvement Program for the years 2019-2024 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2018-268)
Introduced 6-0, Byrd out of the room
3. Ordinance establishing the Financial System Software Fund and establishing a project based budget to replace the financial system software (AB2018-269)
Introduced 6-0, Byrd out of the room

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4. Ordinance closing Telecommunications System Replacement Fund 351 (AB2018-270)
Introduced 6-0, Byrd out of the room
5. Ordinance amending Project Budget No. 2 (Jail Improvement Project, as established through Ordinance 2011-031), third request, in the amount of \$4,589,000, for a total project budget of \$8,367,000 (AB2018-271)
Introduced 6-0, Byrd out of the room
6. Ordinance amending the Whatcom County Budget, twelfth request, in the amount of \$136,027 (AB2018-272)
Introduced 6-0, Byrd out of the room

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

Discussion regarding preliminary draft Comprehensive Plan and zoning amendments – Cherry Point (AB2018-076D)
Motion carried 6-0, Byrd out of the room, to send a letter to Cherry Point industries to get more information

Update from Whatcom County Sheriff Bill Elfo regarding jail population during facility repairs (AB2018-275)
Motion carried 6-0, Byrd out of the room, to support engagement of professional services to study and recommend solutions for housing the jail population during repairs.

ADJOURN

The next regular Council meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 9, 2018 in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham