

# WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN – December 4, 2018

## **CALL TO ORDER**

**Councilmembers Present:** Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, and Sidhu  
**Absent:** None

## **FLAG SALUTE**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(From Committee of the Whole)

Discussion with Public Works staff regarding Birch Bay Berm potential property acquisitions (AB2018-018)  
**Motion carried 6-0 to send a formal letter to the Lummi Indian Business Council in support of the Birch Bay Drive Pedestrian Facility Project.**

## **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

1. Presentation by the Washington State Department of Transportation of the 2018 Award of Excellence – “Best County Project” to Whatcom County Public Works for the Potter Road/South Fork River Bridge #148 Replacement (AB2018-017)  
***(Presented in the Public Works & Health Committee)***

## **MINUTES CONSENT**

1. Special Committee of the Whole for November 7, 2018  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
2. Committee of the Whole for November 15, 2018  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
3. Special Committee of the Whole for November 15, 2018  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
4. Committee of the Whole for November 20, 2018  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
5. County Council for November 20, 2018  
**Approved Consent with substitute page 7-0**
6. Special Committee of the Whole for November 27, 2018  
**Approved Consent with substitute page 7-0**

## **OPEN SESSION**

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

(From Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Bellingham Whatcom Tourism in support of operations, in the amount of \$290,000 (AB2018-356)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
2. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Whatcom Events for support of marketing and promotion of the annual Ski to Sea, Tour de Whatcom and Mt. Baker Hill Climb races, in the amount of \$40,000 (AB2018-357)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
3. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Mount Baker Foothills Chamber of Commerce in support of their Visitor Center operations as recommended by the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee in the amount of \$100,000 (AB2018-358)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**

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4. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Bellingham Food Bank to procure, warehouse and distribute food and other essentials to low and very low income families, in the amount of \$276,000 (AB2018-359)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
5. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and The Whatcom Dispute Resolution Center to continue to provide administration of the Family Law Mediation Program, in the amount of \$100,000, for a total amended contract amount of \$150,000 (AB2018-360)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
6. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal cooperative purchasing agreement between Whatcom County and Whatcom Transportation Authority to utilize each other's competitively bid contracts for purchases of supplies, goods, services and equipment, per RCW 39.34 Interlocal Cooperation Act (AB2018-361)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
7. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a lease agreement amendment between Whatcom County and Cornwall Center, Inc. for nine additional parking spaces adjacent to the Civic Center Annex parking lot, in the amount of \$4,521.17, for a total amended contract amount of \$45,932.42 (AB2018-362)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
8. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Tetra Tech Inc. for the Lake Whatcom Subwatershed Master Plan for East Geneva, in the amount of \$82,685 (AB2018-364)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
9. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interagency agreement between Whatcom County, Bellingham Technical College and Bellingham Fire Department for the purposes of administering the countywide EMT-Paramedic school program, in the amount of \$56,000 plus expenses (AB2018-365)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
10. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council to fund housing assistance for people with criminal charges who are challenged with substance use disorders, in the amount of \$76,643 (AB2018-366)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
11. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Northwest Youth Services to provide partial funding to support two clinical care managers for increased behavioral health services, in the amount of \$96,917 (AB2018-367)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
12. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services to support the Bellingham Whatcom County Commission Against Domestic Violence, in the amount of \$120,000 (AB2018-368)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
13. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Community Attributes Inc. for professional services relating to the new Buildable Lands Program, in the amount of \$78,500 (AB2018-370)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
14. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Northwest Regional Council to support Meals on Wheels services, in the amount of \$120,000 (AB2018-371)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
15. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Washington State Office of Public Defense to receive grant funding, in the amount of \$196,141 (AB2018-372)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
16. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an agreement between Whatcom County and Wave Business Solutions, LLC (Wave) for a five-year lease for fiber optic connectivity from the Courthouse to county buildings, for a total amount over five years of \$186,360 (AB2018-373)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**
17. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Communities in Schools to expand the program to the Blaine School District, in the amended amount of \$34,000, for a total contract amount of \$282,750 (AB2018-375)  
**Approved 7-0**

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18. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract to provide funding for Sun Community Services to operate Sun House, an emergency shelter for residents with mental illness who may be homeless, leaving jail, and/or mental health institutions, in an amount not to exceed \$285,635 (AB2018-376)  
**Approved Consent 7-0**

### **OTHER ITEMS**

(From Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. Ordinance amending the 2018 Whatcom County Budget, fifteenth request, in the amount of \$314,598 (AB2018-347)  
**Adopted 7-0, Ordinance 2018-075**
2. Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Chapter 2.78, Solid Waste Advisory Committee (AB2018-351)  
**Withdrawn from the agenda**
3. Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 2.03, Boards and Commissions (AB2018-350)  
**Withdrawn from the agenda**
4. Resolution approving the 2019 recommended Convention Center allocations for tourism-related facilities and activities as defined through RCW 67.28.1816 (AB2018-354)  
**Approved 7-0, Resolution 2018-048**
5. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Whatcom Conservation District for Pollution Identification and Correction Program non-dairy agricultural best management practices outreach and cost-share, in the amount of \$55,000 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2018-355)  
**Approved 7-0**
6. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County, the Port of Bellingham, and the City of Bellingham for the purposes of Economic Development, for a total amended contract amount of \$3,805,208 (AB2018-356)  
**Approved 6-1, Byrd opposed.**
7. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a local agency agreement amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State Department of Transportation for the West Badger Road/Bertrand Creek Bridge No. 50 replacement project, in the amount of \$3,149,851, for a total amended contract amount of \$3,368,689 (AB2018-364)  
**Approved 7-0**
8. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Stericycle Environmental Solutions to extend the agreement to operate the Disposal of Toxics Facility for an additional three years, in the amended amount of \$1,124,760 for a total contract amount of \$3,256,260 (AB2018-374)  
**Approved 7-0**
9. Ordinance authorizing the 2019 Whatcom County Unified Fee Schedule (from 11/20) (AB2018-332)  
**Adopted 5-2, Brenner and Byrd opposed, Ordinance 2018-076**

(From Public Works and Health Committee)

10. Request authorization of ninety-day extension for Council approval of the Glacier Water District Comprehensive Water System Plan (AB2018-307A)  
**Discussed**
11. Resolution regarding health protection for immigrant families (AB2018-312A)  
**Approved 6-1, Byrd opposed, Resolution 2018-050. Motion carried 6-1, Byrd opposed, to send a letter of support from the Council to the Department of Homeland Security to respond to the federal government comment period to support continuation of providing health benefits to everyone, regardless of legal immigration status.**

(From Special Committee of the Whole)

12. Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 24.11, Drinking Water (from November 7, 2018) (AB2018-303)  
**Held in Council**
13. Resolution approving the Glacier Water District Water Comprehensive System Plan (AB2018-307) (from 11/7) (paperwork attached)  
**Approved 7-0, Resolution 2018-049**

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### **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES**

1. Appointment to fill vacancy on the Whatcom County Drayton Harbor Shellfish Protection District Advisory Committee, 3 vacancies – 4 year terms. Members must have a direct interest in the shellfish protection district. Duties are to advise the County Council on the proposed actions and operations relating to the restoration of water quality in the Drayton Harbor Shellfish Protection District. Applicant: Heather Christianson (AB2018-333)  
**The Council appointed Heather Christianson 7-0**

### **EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES**

1. Request confirmation of the County Executive's appointment of Tara Satushek to the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (AB2018-378)  
**Confirmed 7-0**
2. Request confirmation of the County Executive's appointment of Kara Mitchell to the North Sound Behavioral Health Organization's Advisory Board (AB2018-379)  
**Confirmed 7-0**

### **INTRODUCTION ITEMS**

1. Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 2.46, to amend the Whatcom County Incarceration Prevention and Reduction Task Force purpose, function, membership, and organization; to repeal Whatcom County Code 2.19, Law and Justice Council; and to designate the Task Force to serve as the Law and Justice Council (AB2018-352)  
**Introduced 7-0**
2. Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 16.20 Whatcom County Shellfish Protection District (AB2018-353)  
**Introduced 7-0**
3. Ordinance adopting amendments Whatcom County Code Title 17 Flood Damage Prevention (AB2018-380)  
**Introduced 7-0**
4. Ordinance repealing Whatcom County Code 1.28 in its entirety (AB2018-381)  
**Introduced 7-0**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES**

### **ADJOURN**

The next regular Council meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 15, 2019 in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham