

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN – February 23, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

Councilmembers Present: Weimer, Buchanan, Mann, Browne, Brenner, Donovan
Absent: Sidhu

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTES CONSENT

1. Special Committee of the Whole for November 10, 2015 - **Approved Consent 5-0-1, Donovan abstaining**
2. Regular County Council for November 10, 2015 - **Approved Consent 5-0-1, Donovan abstaining**
3. Committee of the Whole for November 24, 2015 - **Approved Consent 5-0-1, Donovan abstaining**
4. Committee of the Whole for December 8, 2015 - **Approved Consent 5-0-1, Donovan abstaining**

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Ordinance authorizing the installation of stop signs on Jackson Road at the intersection of Bay Road (AB2016-084)
Adopted 6-0, Ordinance 2016-005
2. Ordinance establishing speed limits on portions of Jackson Road and Bay Road in the Birch Bay area (AB2016-085)
Adopted 6-0, Ordinance 2016-006

OPEN SESSION

CONSENT AGENDA

(From Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a local agency agreement between Whatcom County and Transportation Engineers Northwest, LLC, for the design of a pedestrian actuated crosswalk signal across Lakeway Drive, in the amount of \$65,090.34 (AB2016-093)
Held in committee
2. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Bellingham for the purposes of providing for the joint usage of the Vactor Waste Site facility from January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016 (AB2016-094)
Approved Consent 6-0
3. Request approval for the County Executive to have Public Works purchase retro-reflective materials (glass beads for traffic marking paint) for 2016, as needed, using Washington State Contract #02513 from vendor Alpine Products, for a total expenditure not to exceed \$100,000 (AB2016-095)
Approved Consent 6-0
4. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Shawna Bosman, ARNP, to provide advanced nursing services to the youth detained in Juvenile Detention, in the amount of \$25,000 (AB2016-096)
Approved Consent 6-0

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OTHER ITEMS

(From Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. Resolution setting hearing and notice of hearing on the sale of county tax title property by negotiation – Request No. TR2016-01 (AB2016-073) (from 2/9)
Approved 6-0, Resolution 2016-003
2. Ordinance amending the 2016 Whatcom County Budget, fifth request, in the amount of \$5,241,772 (AB2016-083)
Adopted 6-0, Ordinance 2016-007
3. Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2010-040 to authorize additional capital projects for which unexpended bond proceeds may be used by the county (AB2016-086)
Adopted 6-0, Ordinance 2016-008
4. Resolution cancelling uncollectible personal property taxes (AB2016-092)
Approved 6-0, Resolution 2016-004

(From Public Works, Health, and Safety Committee)

5. Acceptance of the Incarceration Prevention and Reduction Task Force Phase 1 Report (AB2016-102)
Accepted and approved 6-0

(From Planning and Development Committee)

6. Consideration of Hearing Examiner's recommended approval of a planned unit development, filed by Wayne Allen dba Whisper Lake Developments, Inc. (AB2016-089)
Approved 6-0
7. Resolution adopting a Statement of Incarceration Prevention, Criminal Justice, and Jail Planning Principles for Whatcom County's criminal justice and behavioral health systems (AB2016-072)
Held in committee

(No Committee Assignment)

8. Resolution adopting the 2016 Comprehensive Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan (AB2016-062A)
Approved 5-1, Brenner opposed, Resolution 2016-005
9. Resolution requesting the Committee on Geographic Names recommend to the Board on Geographic Names, when the time is appropriate, that the landform at the mouth of Terrell Creek be evermore known as Wolf Bauer Point (AB2016-088)
Amended and approved 6-0, Resolution 2016-006
10. Appointment of two members to serve on the Criminal Justice Treatment Account Panel: Chris Watras (SeaMar Community Health) and Jon Komorowski (criminal defense bar member) (AB2016-090)
Appointed 6-0

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

1. Request confirmation of the County Executive's appointment of Gary Jensen to the Whatcom County Ethics Commission (AB2016-097)
Confirmed 4-2, Mann and Weimer opposed.
2. Request confirmation of the County Executive's appointment of Jamie Gunst to the Whatcom County Agricultural Advisory Committee (AB2016-098)
Confirmed 6-0
3. Request confirmation of the County Executive's appointment of Les Seelye to the Whatcom County Public Health Advisory Board (AB2016-099)
Confirmed 6-0

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COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

The Council approved a motion 6-0 to have the Council's policy analyst look into creating a County policy for the County to purchase of certain tax title properties in critical areas such as the agricultural zone and the Lake Whatcom watershed for the purpose of removing the development right and reselling the property.

Motion carried 6-0 to direct the Council's policy analyst to go through the comments received on the Comprehensive Plan, chapter-by-chapter, and group the comments received by issue.

ADJOURN

The next regular Council meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 8, 2015 in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham