WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL

COUNCIL AGENDA
FOR APRIL 18, 2017

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UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

APRIL 25, 2017
10:30 A.M. - HEALTH BOARD MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 311 GRAND AVENUE

MAY 2, 2017
REGULAR COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 311 GRAND AVENUE

MAY 15, 2017
3 P.M. - LAKE WHATCOM POLICY GROUP
FIREPLACE ROOM, 625 HALLECK STREET

TODAY’S SCHEDULE:

9:30 A.M. – NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
11 A.M. – FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE
1:30 P.M. - SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
COUNCIL COMMITTEE SCHEDULES

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
Members: Todd Donovan, Satpal Sidhu, Carl Weimer
9:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 18, 2017
Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue

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Members: Rud Browne, Ken Mann, Satpal Sidhu
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Other Business

SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
1:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 18, 2017
Council Conference Room/Council Chambers
311 Grand Avenue

Committee Discussion – Council Conference Room

1. Consideration of appeal of the Hearing Examiner’s decision on File No. SHR2015-0003, filed by Kristine Williams and Thad Anderson regarding Deming Speedway access road (AB2016-367)

[discussion of this item may take place in executive session (closed to the public) pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i)]

No Paper

Committee Discussion – Council Chambers

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Other Business
COUNCIL AGENDA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
7 p.m. Tuesday, April 18, 2017
Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue

CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL
FLAG SALUTE
ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you will be handing out paperwork to councilmembers, please give one copy to the clerk for our office files. Thank you.


MINUTES CONSENT

1. Special Committee of the Whole (Executive Session) for March 7, 2017 Pages 276 - 277
2. Special Committee of the Whole (Open Meeting) for March 7, 2017 Pages 278 - 284
4. Surface Water Work Session for March 14, 2017 Pages 298 - 300
5. Special Committee of the Whole (Executive Session) for March 14, 2017 Pages 301 - 302
6. Special Committee of the Whole (Open Meeting) for March 14, 2017 Pages 303 - 312
7. Special Committee of the Whole (Executive Session) for March 21, 2017 Pages 313 - 314

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Audience members who wish to address the council during a public hearing are asked to sign up at the back of the room before the meeting begins. The council chair will ask those who have signed up to form a line at the podium. Each speaker should state his or her name for the record and will be given three minutes to address the council. Council staff will keep track of time limits and inform speakers when they have thirty seconds left to conclude their comments. When a large group of individuals supports the same position on an issue, we encourage the selection of one or two representatives to speak on behalf of the entire group.

1. Ordinance repealing and replacing Whatcom County Code Chapter 2.44 and amending Whatcom County Code Chapter 3.37 to integrate the Behavioral Health Advisory Board and Chemical Dependency/Mental Health Program Fund Oversight Advisory Committee into a single Behavioral Health Advisory Committee (AB2017-124) Pages 315 - 324
2. Ordinance adopting interim amendments to the Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan and the Whatcom County Code Title 15, Buildings and Construction, Title 20 Zoning, Title 21 Land Division Regulations, and Title 24 Health Code, relating to water resources (AB2016-309F) Pages 325 - 350

OPEN SESSION (20 MINUTES)

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CONSENT AGENDA
Items under this section of the agenda may be considered in a single motion. Councilmembers have received and studied background material on all items. Committee review has taken place on these items, as indicated. Any member of the public, administrative staff or council may ask that an item be considered separately.

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(No Committee Assignment)

13. Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 20.92.645, Time Limits, related to appeals to County Council (AB2017-114)  
    Pages 351 - 354

COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES
Per Whatcom County Code 2.03.060 and 100.02.080, applications for council-appointed and FCZD board of supervisor-appointed citizen boards, commissions, and committees may be accepted until 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday of the week prior to the regularly scheduled council meeting at which nominations and possible vote to appoint are scheduled to occur.

1. Appointment to the Wildlife Advisory Committee, applicant: Caanan Cowles (AB2017-113)  
   Pages 355 - 358

2. Appointment to the Noxious Weed Control Board, applicant: Patricia Lenssen (AB2017-128)  
   Pages 359 - 361

INTRODUCTION ITEMS
Council action will not be taken. The council may accept these items for introduction (no action) in a single motion. Changes, in terms of committee assignment for example, may be made at this time.

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   Pages 370 - 398

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

ADJOURN
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Hello, all:

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   Have a good day.

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REVISED AGENDA FOR FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE
(OPTION FOR ITEMS ALTERED, NO ITEMS ADDED OR DELETED)

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