WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL

COUNCIL AGENDA
FOR MAY 30, 2017

MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY WHO REQUIRE SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR MEETINGS ARE ASKED TO CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT LEAST 96 HOURS IN ADVANCE

AS A COURTESY TO ALL MEETING ATTENDEES, CELLULAR PHONE USE IS PROHIBITED IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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OUR REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS CAN BE VIEWED LIVE AT https://www.youtube.com/user/WhatcomCountyGov AND ARE ALSO BROADCAST ON BTV10 (COMCAST CHANNEL 10) AT 7 P.M. ON THE TWO WEDNESDAYS FOLLOWING EACH TUESDAY EVENING COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

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UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

MAY 29, 2017
HOLIDAY – OFFICE CLOSED

JUNE 13, 2017
REGULAR COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 311 GRAND AVENUE

TODAY’S SCHEDULE

10 A.M. – NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE – FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE
2 P.M. – SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
COUNCIL COMMITTEE SCHEDULES

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
Members: Todd Donovan, Satpal Sidhu, Carl Weimer
10 a.m. Tuesday, May 30, 2017 (meeting to adjourn no later than 11 a.m.)
Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue

Special Presentation
1. Whatcom County Parks and Recreation Director Michael McFarlane to present semiannual report (AB2017-068)  
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Other Business

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE
Members: Rud Browne, Ken Mann, Satpal Sidhu
Immediately Following Natural Resources Committee
Tuesday, May 30, 2017 (meeting to adjourn no later than 1 p.m.)
Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue

County Executive’s Report

Committee Discussion
1. Discussion with Whatcom County Sheriff Bill Elfo on expansion of the Electronic Home Monitoring Program and increased access to other jail alternative programs (AB2017-183)  
   Page 2
2. Discussion regarding the creation of a Capital Facility Reserve Fund (AB2017-170)  
   Pages 3 - 4
3. Discussion of proposed ordinance establishing Whatcom County Code 2.126, creating the Whatcom County Business and Commerce Committee (AB2017-182)  
   Pages 5 - 8

Committee Discussion and Recommendations to Council
1. Resolution authorizing and approving the interlocal Jail Facility Financing and Use Agreement between Whatcom County and the cities of Bellingham, Blaine, Everson, Ferndale, Lynden, Nooksack, and Sumas (AB2017-107A)  
   Pages 9 - 52
2. Resolution identifying 2018 and 2019 salaries and benefits for elected officials (AB2017-171)  
   Pages 53 - 60
3. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interagency grant agreement between Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Washington State Department of Health to support implementation of the Whatcom County Pollution Identification and Correction Program, in the amount of $715,000 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2017-172)  
   Pages 61 - 108
4. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Whatcom County Public Utility District No. 1 to provide partial funding for Phase 4 of a groundwater flow model of the Lynden-Everson-Nooksack-Sumas area of Whatcom County (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2017-173)  
   Pages 109 - 116
5. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Associated Earth Sciences, Inc. for Phase 4 of a groundwater model of the Lynden-Everson-Nooksack-Sumas area of Whatcom County (numerical model analysis and documentation), in the amount of $336,526 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2017-174) Pages 117 - 162

6. Request approval for the County Executive to award bid #17-09 for maintenance and construction equipment (without operators) to all bidders, in an amount not to exceed $100,000 per vendor (AB2017-175) Pages 163 - 187

Other Business

SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
2 p.m. Tuesday, May 30, 2017
Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue

Committee Discussion

1. Continuation of Council’s review of the 2016 Critical Areas Ordinance Update (AB2016-276K) Pages 188 - 239

Review of certain questions, comments, and suggestions by staff and Councilmembers related to:
- Article 5 – Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas
- Article 8 – Conservation Program on Agriculture Lands
- Article 9 – Definitions

Other Business
COUNCIL AGENDA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
7 p.m. Tuesday, May 30, 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 for April 18, 2017
   Pages 240 - 250
2. Regular County Council for April 18, 2017
   Pages 251 - 261
3. Special Committee of the Whole (Executive Session) for May 2, 2017
   Pages 262 - 263
4. Special Committee of the Whole (Open Meeting) for May 2, 2017
   Pages 264 - 268
5. Regular County Council for May 2, 2017
   Pages 269 - 274

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

1. County Executive Jack Louws to present the “State of the County” address (AB2017-017B)
   Page 275

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. Resolution granting a quit claim deed to the City of Bellingham (AB2017-167)
   Pages 276 - 283
2. Ordinance adopting various minor amendments to Whatcom County Code Title 20 Zoning, making corrections, updates, and clarifications (AB2017-169)
   Pages 284 - 371
3. Resolution authorizing the sale of Whatcom County surplus property pursuant to Whatcom County Code 1.10 (AB2017-162A)
   Pages 372 - 375

OPEN SESSION (20 MINUTES)

During open session, audience members can speak to the council on any issue not scheduled for public hearing. 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.
OTHER ITEMS

(From Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

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EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

Per Whatcom County Code 2.03.070(B), the council must confirm or reject executive appointments within 30 days of submission to the council. County code deems the appointee confirmed if council does not take action within this time.

1. Request confirmation of the County Executive’s appointment of Sandra Ward to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (AB2017-176)  
   Pages 376 - 378

2. Request confirmation of the County Executive’s reappointment of David Warren and Daniel Larner to the Bellingham-Whatcom Public Facilities District (AB2017-177)  
   Pages 379 - 380

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.

1. Resolution approving the sale of a conservation easement (AB2017-178)  
   Pages 381 - 395

2. Ordinance to establish speed limits on certain county roads (AB2017-179)  
   Pages 396 - 400
3. Ordinance regarding establishment of speed limit on a portion of Slater Road (AB2017-180)  
   Pages 401 - 404

4. Ordinance repealing and replacing Whatcom County Code Chapter 1.18, Court Fines and Costs  
   (AB2017-181)  
   Pages 405 - 409

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

ADJOURN
The next regular council meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. June 13, 2017 in the County Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue.
WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL

AGENDA REVISION NOTICE
FOR MAY 30, 2017
(DISTRIBUTED AT 1:45 P.M. ON MAY 25, 2017)

THE FOLLOWING ITEM HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING AGENDA:

2. Discussion of the proposed ordinance adopting various minor amendments to Whatcom County Code Title 20 Zoning, making corrections, updates, and clarifications (AB2017-169)*

*Ordinance is scheduled for public hearing at the May 30 evening meeting - paperwork is located here: http://www.co.whatcom.wa.us/DocumentCenter/View/28797
THE FOLLOWING ITEM HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE EVENING MEETING AGENDA:

**OTHER ITEMS**

(no committee assignment)

7. Resolution expressing support for efforts to reduce homelessness by investing in vocational programs for homeless youth and requesting the County Executive provide financial support for a pilot project to create opportunities for low-barrier employment for homeless youth (AB2017-184)

**Paperwork Attached Below**