

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN – January 29, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

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

Absent: None

FLAG SALUTE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. AB2019-032 Resolution to sell tax-title property by public auction
Approved 7-0
2. AB2019-064 Ordinance imposing an interim moratorium on the acceptance and processing of applications and permits for new or expanded facilities in the Cherry Point UGA, the primary purpose of which would be the shipment of unrefined fossil fuels not to be processed at Cherry Point
Adopted 5-2, Brenner and Byrd opposed

OPEN SESSION

CONSENT AGENDA

(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. AB2019-024 Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Marvin Wayne, M.D., P.S. in the amount of \$160,000
Approved Consent 6-0, Buchanan absent
2. AB2019-025 Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Whatcom Humane Society to extend the term of the Agreement to April 30, 2019
Approved Consent 6-0, Buchanan absent
3. AB2019-081 Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Office of Crime Victims Advocacy to increase advocacy for child victims of abuse or neglect in dependency Court Appointed Special Advocates program, in the amount of \$95,173.00
Approved Consent 6-0, Buchanan absent
4. AB2019-068 Resolution to approve annual petition for refunds paid list consistent with RCW 84.69.020
Approved Consent 6-0, Buchanan absent

OTHER ITEMS

(From Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

1. AB2019-033 Ordinance amending the 2019-2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 1, in the amount of \$778,500
Adopted 5-1, Byrd opposed, Buchanan absent
2. AB2019-036 Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 2.108, Bellingham-Whatcom County Commission Against Domestic Violence, expanding the scope of the Commission and referring to interlocal agreement with the City of Bellingham
Approved 6-0, Buchanan absent
3. AB2019-040 Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Chapter 2.128, Business and Commerce Advisory Committee, to add one additional member
Failed 3-2, Byrd and Brenner opposed, Donovan abstained, and Buchanan absent

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4. AB2019-082 Request for County Council to approve the Criminal Justice Treatment Account Plan
Approved 6-0, Buchanan absent
5. AB2019-087 Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an EDI Interlocal Loan and Grant Agreement between Whatcom County and Port of Bellingham in the amount of \$250,000
Held in Committee
6. AB2019-089 Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Washington State University to continue the jointly shared costs for faculty positions and program support for WSU Extension in the amount of \$215,951 for a total amended contract amount of \$1,999,276.90
Approved 6-0, Buchanan absent
7. AB2019-037 Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Bellingham regarding the City of Bellingham-Whatcom County Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence
Approved 6-0, Buchanan absent
8. AB2019-034 Resolution amending the 2019 Flood Control Zone District and Subzones Budget, request no. 1, in the amount of \$35,000 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)
Approved 5-1, Byrd opposed and Buchanan absent
9. AB2019-049 Resolution cancelling uncollectible personal property taxes
Approved 6-0, Buchanan absent
10. AB2019-108 Resolution allowing appointment of one Councilmember to serve as an optional alternate member of the Washington State Association of Counties Board of Directors (AB2019-108)
Approved 6-0, Buchanan absent.

COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

1. AB2019-052 Appointments to fill vacancies on the Flood Control Zone District Advisory Committee - Applicants: Geographic Area - Dale Blok, Albert DeBoer, Scott Hulse, Kent Roorda. Special Districts - Ron Bronsema, Jeff DeJong. Impacted Cities - Kyle Christensen, John Perry. Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone Board of Supervisors
Appointed: Geographic Area - Dale Blok, Albert DeBoer, Scott Hulse, Kent Roorda. Special Districts - Ron Bronsema, Jeff DeJong. Impacted Cities - Kyle Christensen, John Perry.
2. AB2019-092 Appointment to fill vacancy on Portage Bay Shellfish Protection District Advisory Committee. Applicant: Alan Chapman
Appointed 6-0, Buchanan absent
3. AB2019-093 Appointment to fill vacancy on the Sumas/Everson/Nooksack Flood Control Sub-Zone Advisory Committee. Applicant: Jerry Juergens
Appointed 6-0, Buchanan absent

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

1. AB2019-086 County Executive Jack Louws requests confirmation of his new appointments and reappointments to Executive boards and committees; appointments to take effect on February 1, 2019
Confirmed 6-0, Buchanan absent

INTRODUCTION ITEMS

1. AB2019-073 Ordinance regarding temporary installation of stop signs on certain County roads
Introduced 6-0, Buchanan absent
2. AB2019-074 Ordinance Establishing a Temporary Speed Limit Change for Birch Bay Drive
Introduced 6-0, Buchanan absent
3. AB2019-075 Ordinance Establishing Temporary One-Way Traffic on Birch Bay Drive
Introduced 6-0, Buchanan absent
4. AB2019-076 Ordinance Authorizing the Temporary Re-Opening of Cottonwood Drive at Morgan Drive to Vehicular Traffic
Introduced 6-0, Buchanan absent
5. AB2019-018 Ordinance adopting various minor amendments to Whatcom County Code Titles 20 (Zoning), 21 (Land Division)

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Regulations), and 22 (Land Use and Development Procedures), making corrections, updates, and clarifications
Introduced 6-0, Buchanan absent

COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

(From Natural Resources Committee)

Discussion/Approval of Water Resources Inventory Area 1 Watershed Management Plan Update

Motion carried 5-1, Brenner opposed and Buchanan absent, to recommend that the County Council support the vote of the Planning Unit at its last meeting on January 23, to send the letters and the catalog of materials to Ecology and State legislators.

(From Special Committee of the Whole)

Resolution requesting the County Executive provide staff resources and funding to allow Cascadia Law Group to complete contract No. 201708008 related to legal ways the County may choose to limit the negative impacts on public safety, transportation, the economy, and environment from crude oil, coal, liquefied petroleum gases, and natural gas transshipments from the Cherry Point UGA.

Amended and approved 4-2, Brenner and Byrd opposed and Buchanan absent.

ADJOURN

The next regular Council meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 12, 2019 in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham