

COUNCIL AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 16, 2014

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UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

SEPTEMBER 23, 2014
SURFACE WATER WORK SESSION
10:30 A.M., GARDEN LEVEL CONFERENCE ROOM
322 N. COMMERCIAL STREET

SEPTEMBER 30, 2014
REGULAR COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 311 GRAND AVENUE

OCTOBER 6, 2014
LAKE WHATCOM POLICY GROUP
1:30 P.M., FIREPLACE ROOM
625 HALLECK STREET

OCTOBER 7, 2014
HEALTH BOARD
10:30 A.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS
311 GRAND AVENUE

COUNCIL COMMITTEE SCHEDULES

COUNCIL NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Members: Barry Buchanan, Sam Crawford, Carl Weimer

9:30 a.m. Tuesday, September 16, 2014

Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue

Committee Discussion and Recommendations to Council

1. Resolution approving recommendations on applications for open space current use assessment for lands located within unincorporated Whatcom County (AB2014-272) (from 8/5)
Pages 1 - 92
2. Resolution affirming the PDR Oversight Committee ranking and authorizing Whatcom County Purchase of Development Rights Administration and Whatcom County Executive to proceed with the acquisition process for 2014 applications (AB2014-288)
Pages 93 - 104

Committee Discussion

1. Discussion of a proposed ordinance adopting 2009 amendments to Whatcom County Code, Title 23 – Shoreline Management Program (AB2014-287) (ordinance scheduled for introduction this evening)
Pages 105 - 159

Other Business

COUNCIL FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

Members: Rud Browne, Barry Buchanan, Sam Crawford

11 a.m. Tuesday, September 16, 2014

Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue

Executive Reports

Special Presentation – Whatcom County Business

Business presentations are hosted quarterly by the Finance and Administrative Services Committee to gain greater awareness and understanding of a variety of **Whatcom County businesses** and their impact on our local economy. **Presentations from each business representative** will be 10-15 minutes in length and have been scheduled and facilitated with the assistance of the Port of Bellingham Economic Development Division.

1. Informational briefing from Cason VanDriel, TriVan Truck Body (AB2014-132)
Page 160

Committee Discussion

1. Discussion of outreach options for the update of the Comprehensive Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan (AB2014-266A)
Pages 161 - 164

Committee Discussion and Recommendations to Council

1. Request approval for the County Executive to enter into a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Van Ness Feldman, LLP, to provide legal assistance in Growth Management Hearings Board cases, in the amount of \$10,000, for a total amended contract in the amount of \$140,000 (AB2014-136A)
Pages 165 - 168
2. Request approval of an insurance policy extension for the Whatcom Chief Ferry (AB2014-289)
Pages 169 - 172

3. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and Icon Enterprises, Inc. (d/b/a CivicPlus), for professional services to redesign and migrate the main Whatcom County website to their hosted web Content Management System in the amount of \$143,840 (AB2014-293)
Pages 173 - 199

Council "Consent Agenda" Items

1. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a residential lease agreement between Whatcom County and Ted Sellers for the Silver Lake apartment, in the amount of \$670 per month (AB2014-290)
Pages 200 - 208
2. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a grant agreement between Whatcom County and Thrive by Five Washington to implement the Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) program, in the amount of \$176,799 (AB2014-291)
Pages 209 - 231
3. Request authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County and ELEMENT Solutions to satisfy Mineral Resource Action Plan Item #10 of the Comprehensive Plan, which is to budget for and update the Aggregate Resource Inventory Study to document short and long range availability and location of quality mineral resources, in the amount of \$25,000 (AB2014-292)
Pages 232 - 246

Other Business

PUBLIC WORKS, HEALTH, AND SAFETY COMMITTEE
Members: Barbara Brenner, Pete Kremen, Ken Mann
1:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 16, 2014
Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue

Committee Discussion

1. Discussion of proposed resolution approving the Whatcom County Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program for the years 2015 through 2020 (AB2014-294) (resolution scheduled for introduction this evening or a later date)
Pages 247 - 361
2. Discussion regarding the Council's desire for additional information related to the County's herbicide spray program (AB2014-221)
Page 362

Other Business

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Members: Barbara Brenner, Rud Browne, Ken Mann
3 p.m. Tuesday, September 16, 2014
Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue

Committee Discussion

1. Discussion of possible options for regulation of vacation rental uses in Whatcom County (AB2014-295)
Pages 363 - 407

Other Business

COUNCIL AGENDA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

7 p.m. Tuesday, September 16, 2014
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. Surface Water Work Session for June 24, 2014
Pages 408 - 415
2. Regular County Council for July 8, 2014
Pages 416 - 431

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 authorizing the installation of stop signs on Northwest Drive at Slater Road (AB2014-283)
Pages 432 - 435
2. Ordinance authorizing the installation of stop signs on Airport Drive (AB2014-284)
Pages 436 - 439
3. Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 8.13, to transfer Solid Waste operations management from Public Works to the Health Department (AB2014-285)
Pages 440 - 454
4. Resolution accepting petition and poll book, establishing boundaries, officially naming, and ordering an election to determine formation of a proposed irrigation district to be known as the Drayton Watershed Improvement District (AB2014-224B)
Pages 455 - 459
5. Resolution accepting petition and poll book, establishing boundaries, officially naming, and ordering an election to determine formation of a proposed irrigation district to be known as the Laurel Watershed Improvement District (AB2014-225B)
Pages 460 - 464
6. Resolution accepting petition and poll book, establishing boundaries, officially naming, and ordering an election to determine formation of a proposed irrigation district to be known as the South Lynden Watershed Improvement District (AB2014-226B)
Pages 465 - 469
7. Resolution accepting petition and poll book, establishing boundaries, officially naming, and ordering an election to determine formation of a proposed irrigation district to be known as the Sumas Watershed Improvement District (AB2014-227B)
Pages 470 - 474

OPEN SESSION (20 MINUTES)

During open session, audience members can speak to the council on any issue not scheduled for public hearing or related to the proposed Gateway Pacific Terminal project (GPT). 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.

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.

(From Finance and Administrative Services Committee)

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OTHER ITEMS

(From Natural Resources Committee)

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(No Committee Assignment)

6. Appointment of one councilmember to the Bellingham/Whatcom Chamber of Commerce and Industry Board of Directors as a liaison (AB2014-286)
Pages 475 - 476

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 John Lesow to the Point Roberts Community Advisory Committee (AB2014-296)
Pages 477 - 478
2. Request confirmation of the County Executive's appointments to the Whatcom County Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials, in accordance with WCC Chapter 2.22 (AB2014-297)
Pages 479 - 489

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. Ordinance adopting 2009 amendments to Whatcom County Code, Title 23 – Shoreline Management Program (AB2014-287) **(proposed schedule – September 30 public hearing)**
Pages 105 – 159
2. Resolution adopting the Six-Year Water Resources Improvement Plan (WRIP) for the years 2015 through 2020 (AB2014-299) (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) **(proposed schedule – September 30 public hearing)**
Pages 490 - 497
3. Resolution declaring the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District's intention to lease property on River Road (AB2014-298) (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) **(proposed schedule – September 30 public hearing)**
Pages 498 - 531
4. Ordinance terminating open space timber land classification and consolidating timber land classification with designated forest land classification and declaring land previously classified as timber land to be designated forest land (AB2014-300) **(proposed schedule – September 30 public hearing)**
Pages 532 - 540
5. Ordinance amending the 2014 Whatcom County Budget, fifteenth request, in the amount of \$349,100 (AB2014-301) **(proposed schedule – September 30 Finance and Administrative Services Committee and Council)**
Pages 541 - 559
6. Resolution approving the Whatcom County Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the years 2015 through 2020 (AB2014-294) **(proposed schedule – September 30 public hearing)**
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COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

ADJOURN

The next regular council meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 30, 2014, in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue.