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WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
**Special Committee of the Whole**

November 7, 2018

**CALL TO ORDER**

Council Chair Rud Browne called the meeting to order at 3:37 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, Washington.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Tim Ballew, Barbara Brenner, Rud Browne, Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, Todd Donovan, and Satpal Sidhu.

**Absent:** None.

**COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

**1. BUDGET WORK SESSION – CONTINUED DISCUSSION AND FORMULATION OF 2019-2020 BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS (AB2018-305)**

The following staff answered questions throughout the meeting:

- Jack Louws, Executive
- Tyler Schroeder, Deputy Executive
- Jeff Parks, Sheriff's Office
- Brad Bennett, Administrative Services Department

Louws submitted his recommendation for the Council's budget request (*on file*) and gave a staff report on potential alternative sources of funds for the changes the councilmembers approved at its meeting on November 6:

- Behavioral Health fund for Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services (DVSAS) offender treatment
- Low-Income Housing fund for the Sean Humphrey House
- A grant for shorelines could offset the cost for the Climate Advisory Committee in an amount of \$50,000
- Conservation futures for the Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) Advisory Committee
- Homeless Housing fund for the outdoor storage project
- Behavioral Health fund for youth and homeless identification
- Encourage the Sheriff to assign a deputy to east county with existing allocated full-time equivalent (FTE) employees
- The remaining changes would be funded from the general fund

Councilmembers and staff discussed additional sheriff deputies; a grant to update the shoreline management plan (SMP); alternative funding for the Climate Advisory Committee; the possibility of incorporating the Parks Department into the Public Works Department, eliminating Parks Department upper management, and retaining front line

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1 staff; funding Sheriff deputies from the parks fund, behavioral health fund, and solid waste  
2 fund; funding for outdoor storage for the homeless; additional investments in public safety;  
3 increasing property tax by a half percent; potential alternative funding for a Sheriff deputy;  
4 and the process for an area to become incorporated to a city.

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6 **Donovan moved** to approve the change in funding source to the DVSAS.

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8 The motion was seconded.

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10 The motion carried by the following vote:

11 **Ayes:** Ballew, Buchanan, Brenner, Browne, Donovan and Sidhu (6)

12 **Nays:** Byrd (1)

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14 **Donovan moved** to fund the Climate Committee in the amount of \$50,000 with the  
15 understanding it may go to \$75,000 from the general fund, with the offset of a \$75,000  
16 grant from the Department of Ecology.

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18 The motion was seconded.

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20 The motion carried by the following vote:

21 **Ayes:** Ballew, Buchanan, Brenner, Browne, Donovan and Sidhu (6)

22 **Nays:** Byrd (1)

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24 *(Clerk's Note: Councilmember Buchanan left the meeting.)*

25  
26 **Brenner moved** to amend the Community Wildfire program to \$25,000 per year.

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28 The motion was seconded.

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30 The motion carried by the following vote:

31 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, and Donovan (4)

32 **Nays:** Byrd and Sidhu (2)

33 **Absent:** Buchanan (1)

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35 **Browne moved** to fund outdoor storage from the homeless housing fund in the  
36 amount of \$20,000 for 2019.

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38 The motion was seconded.

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40 The motion carried by the following vote:

41 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Donovan, Byrd and Sidhu (6)

42 **Nays:** None (0)

43 **Absent:** Buchanan (1)

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45 **Browne** submitted a handout *(on file)* and **moved** to remove the additional Sheriff's  
46 deputy.

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48 The motion was seconded.

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50 The motion failed by the following vote:



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WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
**Committee Of The Whole**

November 15, 2018

**CALL TO ORDER**

Council Chair Rud Browne called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. in the Council Conference Room, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, Washington.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Tim Ballew, Barbara Brenner, Rud Browne, Todd Donovan, and Satpal Sidhu

**Absent:** Tyler Byrd and Barry Buchanan

**COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

1. **UPDATE ON NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING (AB2018-018)**  
**Attorney Present: None**

Browne stated that discussion of agenda item one may take place in executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.410(4)(a). Executive session will conclude no later than 12:30 p.m. If the meeting extends beyond the stated conclusion time, he will step out of the meeting to make a public announcement.

**Brenner moved** to go into executive session until no later than 12:30 p.m. to discuss the agenda items pursuant to RCW citations as announced by the Council Chair. The motion was seconded.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, and Donovan (4)

**Nays:** None (0)

**Absent:** Sidhu (out of the room) and Tyler Byrd and Barry Buchanan (3)

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

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ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

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Rud Browne, Council Chair

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WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
**Special Committee of the Whole**

November 15, 2018

**CALL TO ORDER**

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**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Tim Ballew, Barbara Brenner, Rud Browne, Barry Buchanan, Todd Donovan, and Satpal Sidhu.

**Absent:** Tyler Byrd.

**COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

**1. BUDGET WORK SESSION – CONTINUED DISCUSSION AND FORMULATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE PROPOSED 2019-2020 WHATCOM COUNTY BUDGET (AB2018-305)**

The following staff answered questions throughout the meeting:

- Jack Louws, Executive
- Tyler Schroeder, Deputy Executive
- Jeff Parks, Sheriff's Office

Louws submitted a handout of the Council's 2019/2020 budget requests so far (*on file*). He reported on the specific funds other than the General fund from which some of the requests can be funded, potential cuts in other areas from the general fund, and the potential for raising property tax.

Schroeder continued the report on potential cuts in other areas from the general fund.

Staff and councilmembers discussed the proposed changes from the Executive, salaries for councilmembers and the Executive, transparently tracking the costs of jail repairs, additional full-time equivalent (FTE) deputies in the Sheriff's Office, maintaining capital funds through a .5 or 1 percent tax increase, and the possibility of creating a ten-year capital projects plan that is updated every year or two.

**Brenner moved** to incorporate the Parks Department into the Public Works Department, eliminate Parks Department upper management, and retain front line staff.

The motion was seconded.

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1 Councilmembers and staff discussed the timing of and process for eliminating an  
2 entire department and creating a Parks division within the Public Works Department.  
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4 The motion failed by the following vote:

5 **Ayes:** Brenner (1)

6 **Nays:** Ballew, Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Sidhu (5)

7 **Absent:** Byrd (1)  
8

9 **Brenner moved** to not create another solid waste fund staff person in the Health  
10 Department, do not purchase a solid waste companion vehicle for staff since it won't be  
11 necessary, and do create a yearly solid waste exemption fine on people who are not  
12 following the exemption process.  
13

14 The motion was seconded.  
15

16 Councilmembers and staff discussed a solid waste exemption process and  
17 enforcement and fines for noncompliance.  
18

19 The motion failed by the following vote:

20 **Ayes:** Brenner (1)

21 **Nays:** Ballew, Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Sidhu (5)

22 **Absent:** Byrd (1)  
23

24 Brenner moved to not reinstate the Assessor Drafter/GIS Technician position unless  
25 and until the county is confident the budget can afford it. The motion was not seconded.  
26

27 Staff and councilmembers discussed the cost of the new Vector truck and equipment  
28 storage building; the addition of the community wildfire risk reduction line item; and the  
29 Treasurer's Request for software maintenance costs and postage.  
30

31 **Brenner moved** to approve software maintenance contracts increases for the  
32 Treasurer in the amount of \$9,140 in 2020 and \$12,300 in 2020.  
33

34 The motion was seconded.  
35

36 The motion carried by the following vote:

37 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Donovan, Buchanan and Sidhu (6)

38 **Nays:** None (0)

39 **Absent:** Byrd (1)  
40

41 Councilmembers and staff discussed tracking solid waste exemptions, the impact of  
42 wage increases and the Sheriff's deputy position, and measuring improvements.  
43

44 Buchanan moved to recommend the changes as discussed as submitted with the one  
45 approved amendment from today's meeting. Browne seconded the motion, and then  
46 withdrew his second to the motion.  
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48 **Browne moved** to approve the additional Sheriff's deputy in 2020 only in the  
49 amount of \$193,100.  
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1 The motion was seconded.  
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3 Councilmembers and staff discussed the Sheriff's Office ability to add a deputy to the  
4 east County area to improve Sheriff's coverage.  
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6 **Browne withdrew** his motion until they get more information from the Sheriff's  
7 Office.  
8

9 **Browne moved** to recommend the changes as discussed as submitted with the one  
10 approved amendment from today's meeting.  
11

12 The motion was seconded.  
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14 The motion carried by the following vote:

15 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Donovan, Buchanan and Sidhu (6)

16 **Nays:** None (0)

17 **Absent:** Byrd (1)  
18

19 **Donovan moved** to approve a .5 percent increase in the property tax.  
20

21 The motion was seconded.  
22

23 Councilmembers discussed whether they should fund operations with a tax increase.  
24

25 The motion failed by the following vote:

26 **Ayes:** Donovan and Buchanan (2)

27 **Nays:** Ballew, Browne, Brenner and Sidhu (4)

28 **Absent:** Byrd (1)  
29

30 **Browne moved** to request the administration to create a supplemental to the  
31 proposed budget to be distributed before next week's public hearing as a substitute  
32 ordinance.  
33

34 The motion was seconded.  
35

36 The motion carried by the following vote:

37 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Donovan, Buchanan and Sidhu (6)

38 **Nays:** None (0)

39 **Absent:** Byrd (1)  
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#### 41 **OTHER BUSINESS**

42 There was no other business.  
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#### 44 **ADJOURN**

45 The meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.  
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ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
**Committee Of The Whole**

November 20, 2018

**CALL TO ORDER**

Council Chair Rud Browne called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Conference Room, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, Washington.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Barbara Brenner, Rud Browne, Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, Todd Donovan, and Satpal Sidhu

**Absent:** Tim Ballew

**COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

**1. DISCUSSION WITH PUBLIC WORKS STAFF REGARDING A POTENTIAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION FOR THE FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT (COUNCIL ACTING AS THE WHATCOM COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS) (AB2018-018)**

**Attorney Present: None**

Browne stated that discussion of agenda item one may take place in executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1) (b). Executive session will conclude no later than 1:30 p.m. If the meeting extends beyond the stated conclusion time, he will step out of the meeting to make a public announcement.

**Brenner moved** to go into executive session until no later than 1:30 p.m. to discuss the agenda items pursuant to RCW citations as announced by the Council Chair. The motion was seconded.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (6)

**Nays:** None (0)

**Absent:** Ballew (1)

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

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ATTEST:

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1 WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
2 **Regular County Council Meeting**  
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4 November 20, 2018  
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6 **CALL TO ORDER**  
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8 Council Chair Rud Browne called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council  
9 Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, Washington.  
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12 **ROLL CALL**  
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14 **Present:** Tim Ballew, Barbara Brenner, Rud Browne, Barry Buchanan, Tyler  
15 Byrd, Todd Donovan, and Satpal Sidhu.

16 **Absent:** None.  
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19 **FLAG SALUTE**  
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22 **ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
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24 Councilmembers thanked Councilmember Ballew for his service on the Whatcom  
25 County Council.  
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28 **MINUTES CONSENT**  
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30 ***Buchanan moved*** to approve the Minutes Consent items.  
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32 The motion was seconded.  
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34 The motion carried by the following vote:

35 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

36 **Nays:** None (0)  
37

- 38 1. **SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (BUDGET) FOR OCTOBER 30, 2018**  
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40 2. **SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (BUDGET) FOR NOVEMBER 6, 2018**  
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42 3. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOR NOVEMBER 7, 2018**  
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44 4. **COUNTY COUNCIL FOR NOVEMBER 7, 2018**  
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47 **PUBLIC HEARINGS**  
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- 49 1. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR THE WHATCOM**  
50 **COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT FOR 2019 (COUNCIL ACTING AS**

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1           **THE WHATCOM COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT BOARD OF**  
2           **SUPERVISORS) (AB2018-315)**

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4           Browne opened the public hearing, and hearing no one, closed the public hearing.

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6           ***Donovan moved*** to approve the resolution.

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8           The motion was seconded.

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10          The motion carried by the following vote:

11         **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

12         **Nays:**     None (0)

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14         **2.     RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2019 BUDGET FOR THE WHATCOM COUNTY**  
15         **FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT AND SUBZONES (COUNCIL ACTING AS THE**  
16         **WHATCOM COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT BOARD OF**  
17         **SUPERVISORS) (AB2018-316)**

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19          Browne opened the public hearing, and the following person spoke:

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21          Karlee Deatherage, Planning Unit Environmental Caucus Representative, spoke about  
22 funding for a water use efficiency and conservation program.

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24          Hearing no one else, Browne closed the public hearing.

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26         ***Brenner moved*** to approve the resolution.

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28         The motion was seconded.

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30         Jack Louws, County Executive, answered questions.

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32         Councilmembers and staff discussed the budget request, how to give direction to the  
33 Planning Unit to prioritize conservation efficiency, and the expenses exceeding the revenue.

34  
35         The motion carried by the following vote:

36         **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Sidhu (6)

37         **Nays:**     Byrd (1)

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39         **3.     RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FINAL 2019 BUDGET OF THE POINT ROBERTS**  
40         **TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT (AB2018-317)**

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42         Browne opened the public hearing, and hearing no one, closed the public hearing.

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44         ***Brenner moved*** to approve the resolution.

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46         The motion was seconded.

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48         The motion carried by the following vote:

49         **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

50         **Nays:**     None (0)

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4. **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR CONSERVATION FUTURES PURPOSES FOR 2019 (AB2018-327)**
- Browne opened the public hearing, and hearing no one, closed the public hearing.
- Donovan moved* to adopt the ordinance.
- The motion was seconded.
- The motion carried by the following vote:  
**Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)  
**Nays:** None (0)
5. **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF 2019 PROPERTY TAXES FOR COUNTY ROAD PURPOSES (AB2018-328)**
- Browne opened the public hearing, and hearing no one, closed the public hearing.
- Brenner moved* to adopt the ordinance.
- The motion was seconded.
- Councilmembers discussed the revenue challenges.
- The motion carried by the following vote:  
**Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, and Sidhu (6)  
**Nays:** Donovan (1)
6. **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR COUNTYWIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL PURPOSES FOR 2019 (AB2018-329)**
- Browne opened the public hearing, and hearing no one, closed the public hearing.
- Brenner moved* to adopt the ordinance.
- The motion was seconded.
- The motion carried by the following vote:  
**Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)  
**Nays:** None (0)
7. **ORDINANCE LIMITING THE 2019 GENERAL FUND PROPERTY TAX LEVY (AB2018-330)**
- Browne opened the public hearing, and hearing no one, closed the public hearing.
- Brenner moved* to adopt the ordinance.
- The motion was seconded.

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2 Councilmembers discussed the property tax levy rate.  
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4 The motion carried by the following vote:

5 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, and Sidhu (6)

6 **Nays:** Donovan (1)  
7

8 **8. ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR COUNTY AND STATE**  
9 **PURPOSES IN WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON FOR THE YEAR 2019**  
10 **(AB2018-331)**

11  
12 Browne opened the public hearing, and hearing no one, closed the public hearing.

13 ***Buchanan moved*** to adopt the ordinance.  
14

15 The motion was seconded.  
16

17 The motion carried by the following vote:

18 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

19 **Nays:** None (0)  
20

21 **9. ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE 2019 WHATCOM COUNTY UNIFIED FEE**  
22 **SCHEDULE (AB2018-332)**

23  
24 Browne opened the public hearing, and hearing no one, closed the public hearing.

25 ***Donovan moved*** to adopt the ordinance.  
26

27 The motion was seconded.  
28

29 Jack Louws, County Executive, answered questions.  
30

31 Councilmembers and staff discussed fee increases; the process for amending the  
32 schedule; and reviewing the schedule, including the jail fees, early in 2019.  
33

34 ***Byrd moved*** to refer to committee.  
35

36 The motion was seconded.  
37

38 The motion carried by the following vote:

39 **Ayes:** Brenner, Ballew, Byrd, and Sidhu (4)

40 **Nays:** Buchanan, Donovan, and Browne (3)  
41

42 Councilmembers and staff discussed the timeline for reviewing the schedule.  
43

44 **10. ORDINANCE ADOPTING OF THE FINAL 2019-2020 WHATCOM COUNTY**  
45 **BUDGET (AB2018-305A)**

46 Jack Louws, County Executive, gave a staff report on the substitute ordinance with  
47 technical corrections.  
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2           Browne opened the public hearing, and hearing no one, closed the public hearing.  
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4           **Donovan moved** to adopt the substitute ordinance, including the technical  
5 corrections.  
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7           The motion was seconded.  
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9           **Brenner moved** to amend to dissolve the Parks Department and incorporate the  
10 Parks Department as a division of the Public Works Department.  
11

12           The motion was seconded.  
13

14           The motion to amend failed by the following vote:

15           **Ayes:**     Brenner and Byrd (2)

16           **Nays:**     Ballew, Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Sidhu (5)  
17

18           Councilmembers thanked the administration for collaborating with the Council on its  
19 amendments and spoke on whether an additional staff person for the solid waste program is  
20 necessary and escalating costs due to staff expenses.  
21

22           **Brenner moved** to amend to cut the additional solid waste staff position.  
23

24           The motion was seconded.  
25

26           The motion to amend failed by the following vote:

27           **Ayes:**     Brenner and Byrd (2)

28           **Nays:**     Ballew, Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Sidhu (5)  
29

30           Councilmembers discussed tracking all the money that will be spent on repairing the  
31 jail, including additional staffing costs.  
32

33           **Brenner moved** to remove the recommended additional personnel in the Assessor's  
34 Office.  
35

36           The motion was seconded.  
37

38           The motion to amend failed by the following vote:

39           **Ayes:**     Brenner and Byrd (2)

40           **Nays:**     Ballew, Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Sidhu (5)  
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42           Councilmembers discussed making cuts to the budget and whether the current  
43 spending level is sustainable.  
44

45           The motion to adopt the substitute ordinance carried by the following vote:

46           **Ayes:**     Ballew, Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Sidhu (5)

47           **Nays:**     Brenner and Byrd (2)  
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1 **OPEN SESSION**  
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The following people spoke:

- 4 • Theresa Sygitowicz submitted a handout (*on file*) and spoke about the Sheriff's Office budget and staffing level.
- 5 • Hanna Holt, Laborer's Local 292, spoke about protecting Cherry Point businesses.
- 6 • Alison Calder spoke about garbage service in Point Roberts.
- 7 • DeeDee Wilson spoke about protecting Cherry Point businesses.
- 8 • Louise Cassidy spoke about garbage service in Point Roberts.
- 9 • Ken Calder spoke about garbage service in Point Roberts.
- 10 • Rochelle Hollowell spoke about increasing law enforcement presence in Kendall through an additional deputy in the County budget.
- 11 • Ivy Little spoke about increasing law enforcement presence in Kendall.
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17 **CONSENT AGENDA**  
18

19 **Sidhu** reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and ***moved***  
20 to approve Consent Agenda items one through eight.

21  
22 The motion carried by the following vote:

23 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Sidhu (6)

24 **Nays:** None (0)

25 **Absent:** Byrd (out of the room) (1)  
26

- 27 **1. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**  
28 **CONTRACT AMENDMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND LYDIA PLACE TO**  
29 **PROVIDE FUNDING FOR CASE MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES**  
30 **TO THOSE INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING RENTAL SUBSIDIES THROUGH THE**  
31 **WHATCOM HOMELESS SERVICE CENTER IN ORDER TO IMPROVE HOUSING**  
32 **STABILITY AND REDUCE HOMELESSNESS IN WHATCOM COUNTY, IN THE**  
33 **AMOUNT OF \$18,700, FOR A TOTAL AMENDED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF**  
34 **\$343,120 (AB2018-336)**  
35
- 36 **2. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**  
37 **CONTRACT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND NORTHWEST YOUTH**  
38 **SERVICES TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR PERSONNEL COSTS ESSENTIAL TO**  
39 **FACILITY OPERATIONS OF THE NORTHWEST YOUTH SERVICES POSITIVE**  
40 **ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM EMERGENCY SHELTER, IN THE**  
41 **AMOUNT OF \$115,000 (AB2018-337)**  
42
- 43 **3. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO AWARD BID**  
44 **#18-37 AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH LOW BIDDER BLYTHE**  
45 **PLUMBING & HEATING FOR THE CENTRAL SHOP NORTH END EXHAUST**  
46 **SYSTEM UPGRADE PROJECT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$113,228.43 (AB2018-**  
47 **338)**  
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- 49 **4. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO AN**  
50 **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND THE CITY OF**

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1           **BELLINGHAM FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS OF THE CRISIS TRIAGE**  
2           **FACILITY, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$59,000 (AB2018-339)**  
3

4   **5.    REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ACCEPT SUN**  
5           **LIFE STOP-LOSS POLICY RENEWAL OPTION 1 FOR INSURANCE PROTECTION**  
6           **FOR THE SELF-INSURED MEDICAL PROGRAM FOR 2019 (AB2018-342)**  
7

8   **6.    REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**  
9           **LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND SANITARY SERVICE**  
10           **COMPANY FOR ACCESS EASEMENTS AND THE USE AND OCCUPANCY OF THE**  
11           **CLOSED CEDARVILLE AND BIRCH BAY LANDFILL SITES TO PROVIDE**  
12           **CITIZENS OF THE COUNTY THE OPPORTUNITY TO RECYCLE AND DISPOSE OF**  
13           **SELF-HAULED WASTE, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,000 OVER FIVE YEARS PLUS**  
14           **STATE LEASEHOLD TAX OF 12.84% (AB2018-343)**  
15

16   **7.    REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**  
17           **CONTRACT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND SKAGIT COUNTY TO PROVIDE**  
18           **FUNDING TO SKAGIT COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH TO SUPPORT THEIR**  
19           **PARTICIPATION IN PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTING REGIONAL YOUTH**  
20           **MARIJUANA PREVENTION STRATEGIES AND ACTIVITIES, IN THE AMOUNT**  
21           **OF \$26,000 (AB2018-345)**  
22

23   **8.    REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**  
24           **LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND PEACE HEALTH FOR**  
25           **THE PROVISION OF OFFICE SPACE FOR EMS ADMINISTRATION STAFF**  
26           **(AB2018-346)**  
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29   **OTHER ITEMS**  
30

31   **1.    ORDINANCE ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT**  
32           **RIGHTS (PDR) PROGRAM (FROM 9/11) (AB2018-235)**  
33

34            *Donovan* reported for the Natural Resources Committee and *moved* to adopt the  
35 ordinance.  
36

37            The motion carried by the following vote:

38            **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Sidhu (6)

39            **Nays:**     Byrd (1)  
40

41   **2.    ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2018 WHATCOM COUNTY BUDGET,**  
42           **FOURTEENTH REQUEST, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,501,518 (AB2018-318)**  
43

44            *Sidhu* reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and *moved*  
45 to adopt the ordinance.  
46

47            The motion carried by the following vote:

48            **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

49            **Nays:**     None (0)  
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1    **3.    ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE LAW LIBRARY/ELECTIONS REMODEL FUND**  
2    **AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT BASED BUDGET TO REMODEL THE LAW**  
3    **LIBRARY/ELECTIONS SPACE (AB2018-319)**

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5        *Sidhu* reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and *moved*  
6 to adopt the ordinance.

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8        The motion carried by the following vote:

9        **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Sidhu (6)

10       **Nays:**    Byrd (1)

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12    **4.    ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TRIAGE CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT BUDGET**  
13    **(AS ESTABLISHED THROUGH ORDINANCE 2017-046), SECOND REQUEST**  
14    **(AB2018-320)**

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16        *Sidhu* reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and *moved*  
17 to adopt the ordinance.

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19        The motion carried by the following vote:

20        **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

21        **Nays:**     None (0)

22  
23    **5.    ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE NORTH LAKE SAMISH ROAD BRIDGE NO.**  
24    **107 REPLACEMENT FUND AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT BASED BUDGET**  
25    **FOR THE NORTH LAKE SAMISH ROAD BRIDGE NO. 107 REPLACEMENT FUND,**  
26    **CRP #913006 (AB2018-321)**

27  
28        *Sidhu* reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and *moved*  
29 to adopt the ordinance.

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31        The motion carried by the following vote:

32        **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

33        **Nays:**     None (0)

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35    **6.    ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE MARINE DRIVE/LOCUST AVE. TO**  
36    **ALDERWOOD AVE. RECONSTRUCTION FUND AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT**  
37    **BASED BUDGET FOR THE MARINE DRIVE/LOCUST AVE. TO ALDERWOOD**  
38    **AVE. RECONSTRUCTION FUND, CRP #917001 (AB2018-322)**

39  
40        *Sidhu* reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and *moved*  
41 to adopt the ordinance.

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43        The motion carried by the following vote:

44        **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

45        **Nays:**     None (0)

46  
47    **7.    ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SILVER LAKE PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**  
48    **BUDGET (ESTABLISHED THROUGH ORDINANCE 2014-077), FIRST REQUEST**  
49    **(AB2018-324)**

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1           **Sidhu** reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and *moved*  
2 to adopt the ordinance.  
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4           The motion carried by the following vote:

5           **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

6           **Nays:**     None (0)  
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8   **8.     ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE VACTOR TRUCK STORAGE BUILDING FUND**  
9   **AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT BASED BUDGET FOR THE VACTOR TRUCK**  
10 **AND EQUIPMENT STORAGE BUILDING (AB2018-325)**  
11

12           **Sidhu** reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and *moved*  
13 to adopt the ordinance.  
14

15           The motion carried by the following vote:

16           **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

17           **Nays:**     None (0)  
18

19   **9.     ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO SYSTEM FUND AND**  
20 **ESTABLISHING A PROJECT BASED BUDGET TO REPLACE THE CURRENT**  
21 **PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO SYSTEM (AB2018-326)**  
22

23           **Sidhu** reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and *moved*  
24 to adopt the ordinance.  
25

26           The motion carried by the following vote:

27           **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

28           **Nays:**     None (0)  
29

30   **10.    RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (THROUGH PARKS**  
31 **DIRECTOR MICHAEL MCFARLANE) TO MAKE APPLICATION AND ENTER INTO**  
32 **A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE WASHINGTON STATE RECREATION AND**  
33 **CONSERVATION OFFICE FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE NONHIGHWAY AND**  
34 **OFF-ROAD VEHICLE ACTIVITIES PROGRAM FOR TRAIL DEVELOPMENT AT**  
35 **SOUTH FORK PARK, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000 (AB2018-334)**  
36

37           **Sidhu** reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and *moved*  
38 to approve the resolution.  
39

40           The motion carried by the following vote:

41           **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

42           **Nays:**     None (0)  
43

44   **11.    REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO AN**  
45 **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL**  
46 **ZONE DISTRICT AND THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND**  
47 **WILDLIFE TO ESTABLISH AND DEFINE THE OBLIGATIONS AND**  
48 **RESPONSIBILITIES RELATED TO ONGOING MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF**  
49 **THE MARINE DRIVE LEVEE AND TO SECURE A COST SHARE FOR THE MARINE**  
50 **DRIVE LEVEE REPAIR PROJECT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000 (COUNCIL**

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1           **ACTING AS THE WHATCOM COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT**  
2           **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS) (AB2018-335)**  
3

4           **Sidhu** reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and **moved**  
5 to approve the request.  
6

7           The motion carried by the following vote:

8           **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

9           **Nays:**     None (0)

10  
11   **12.    REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**  
12    **GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND WASHINGTON**  
13    **STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR THE ACUTE DETOX FACILITY**  
14    **PROJECT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,950,000 (AB2018-340)**  
15

16           **Sidhu** reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and **moved**  
17 to approve the request.  
18

19           The motion carried by the following vote:

20           **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

21           **Nays:**     None (0)

22  
23   **13.    REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**  
24    **GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND WASHINGTON**  
25    **STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH VOLUNTARY**  
26    **TRIAGE CENTER CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,950,000**  
27    **(AB2018-341)**  
28

29           **Sidhu** reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and **moved**  
30 to approve the request.  
31

32           The motion carried by the following vote:

33           **Ayes:**     Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

34           **Nays:**     None (0)

35  
36   **14.    REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**  
37    **CONTRACT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND CANDO RECYCLING TO**  
38    **IMPLEMENT REQUIREMENTS TO COLLECT A FEE FOR SERVICE ON THE POINT**  
39    **ROBERTS PROPERTY TAX BILLS AND REMIT THE FEE FOR SERVICE TO THE**  
40    **SERVICE PROVIDER AS INVOICED ON AN EVERY OTHER MONTH BASIS, IN**  
41    **AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$475,000 (AB2018-344)**  
42

43           **Sidhu** reported for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee and **moved**  
44 to approve the request.  
45

46           Councilmembers discussed recycling incentives.

47           **Brenner moved** to hold in Council.  
48

49           The motion was seconded.  
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2 The motion to hold in Council failed by the following vote:

3 **Ayes:** Brenner and Byrd (2)

4 **Nays:** Ballew, Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Sidhu (5)

5  
6 Jeff Hegedus, Health Department, answered questions.

7  
8 Councilmembers and staff discussed a 60-day comment period from the Utilities and  
9 Transportation Commission (UTC) and the frequency of required pickup.

10  
11 Allison Calder answered questions about comment periods and public notices.

12  
13 Karen Frakes, Prosecutor's Office, answered questions.

14  
15 The motion to approve the request carried by the following vote:

16 **Ayes:** Ballew, Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Sidhu (5)

17 **Nays:** Brenner and Byrd (2)

18  
19 **15. RESOLUTION APPROVING RECOMMENDATIONS ON APPLICATIONS FOR**  
20 **OPEN SPACE CURRENT USE ASSESSMENT (AB2018-313) (FROM 11/7)**

21  
22 **Byrd** reported for the Planning and Development Committee and **moved** to approve  
23 the substitute resolution.

24  
25 The motion carried by the following vote:

26 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

27 **Nays:** None (0)

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30 **COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES**

31  
32 **1. APPOINTMENT TO FILL VACANCY ON THE WHATCOM COUNTY PLANNING**  
33 **COMMISSION, PARTIAL TERM EXPIRES 1/31/2021 (APPLICANT MUST**  
34 **RESIDE IN WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 OR 2), APPLICANTS:**  
35 **STEPHEN JACKSON, NICK MOSS (AB2018-306)**

36  
37 Donovan nominated both applicants.

38  
39 Councilmembers discussed the qualifications of the applicants.

40  
41 Ballew voted for Nick Moss.

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43 Brenner voted for Moss.

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45 Browne voted for Stephen Jackson.

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47 Buchanan voted for Jackson.

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49 Byrd voted for Moss.

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1 Donovan voted for Jackson.

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3 Sidhu voted for Jackson.

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5 The Council appointed Stephen Jackson.

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7 **2. APPOINTMENT TO FILL VACANCY ON THE WHATCOM COUNTY LUMMI**  
8 **ISLAND FERRY ADVISORY COMMITTEE, VACANCY IS FOR A RESIDENT OR**  
9 **PROPERTY OWNER ON LUMMI ISLAND OR COUNTY RESIDENT WHO DOES**  
10 **NOT LIVE OR OWN PROPERTY ON LUMMI ISLAND (PARTIAL TERM ENDING**  
11 **1/31/2019), APPLICANT: JUDY OLSEN (AB2018-308)**

12  
13 *Donovan moved* to appoint Judy Olsen.

14  
15 The motion was seconded.

16  
17 The motion carried by the following vote:

18 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

19 **Nays:** None (0)

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22 **EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES**

- 23  
24 **1. REQUEST CONFIRMATION OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S APPOINTMENT OF**  
25 **SARAH SPRITZER TO THE WHATCOM COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENSE ADVISORY**  
26 **COMMITTEE (AB2018-349)**

27  
28 *Brenner moved* to confirm the appointment.

29  
30 The motion was seconded.

31  
32 The motion carried by the following vote:

33 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

34 **Nays:** None (0)

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36  
37 **APPROVAL OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT**

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39 **1. ORDINANCE ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE WHATCOM COUNTY**  
40 **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN RELATING TO CAPITAL FACILITIES (AB2018-282)**

41  
42 *Buchanan moved* to adopt the ordinance.

43  
44 The motion was seconded.

45  
46 The motion carried by the following vote:

47 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

48 **Nays:** None (0)

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1 **INTRODUCTION ITEMS**

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3 ***Buchanan moved*** to accept the Introduction Items.

4  
5 The motion was seconded.

6  
7 The motion carried by the following vote:

8 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

9 **Nays:** None (0)

- 10  
11 1. **RECEIPT OF APPLICATION FOR THE WHATCOM COUNTY DRAYTON HARBOR**  
12 **SHELLFISH PROTECTION DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE, APPLICANT:**  
13 **HEATHER CHRISTIANSON (APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR ANY OTHER**  
14 **APPLICANTS TO THIS VACANCY IS 10 A.M., NOVEMBER 27, 2018) (AB2018-**  
15 **333)**  
16  
17 2. **ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2018 WHATCOM COUNTY BUDGET, FIFTEENTH**  
18 **REQUEST, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$314,598 (AB2018-347)**  
19  
20 3. **ORDINANCE AMENDING WHATCOM COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 2.78, SOLID**  
21 **WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (AB2018-351)**  
22  
23 4. **ORDINANCE AMENDING WHATCOM COUNTY CODE 2.03, BOARDS AND**  
24 **COMMISSIONS (AB2018-350)**

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26  
27 **COMMITTEE REPORTS, OTHER ITEMS, AND COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES**

28  
29 Committee chairs reported for the committee meetings.

30  
31 Browne announced there was **discussion with Public Works staff regarding a**  
32 **potential property acquisition for the Flood Control Zone District (Council acting as**  
33 **the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors) (AB2018-**  
34 **018)** in executive session during the Committee of the Whole meeting.

35  
36 ***Donovan moved*** to authorize the County Executive, acting on behalf of the  
37 Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors, to execute an extension  
38 to an existing option agreement to purchase property as discussed in executive session.

39  
40 The motion was seconded.

41  
42 The motion carried by the following vote:

43 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

44 **Nays:** None (0)

45  
46 ***Donovan moved*** to authorize the County Executive, acting on behalf of the  
47 Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors, to move forward with  
48 and complete acquisition of the property as long as the purchase price of property does not  
49 exceed the amount discussed in executive session.



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1 The motion was seconded.

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3 The motion carried by the following vote:

4 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Sidhu (6)

5 **Nays:** Byrd (1)

6  
7 **Brenner** reported for the Public Works and Health Committee on the **regulatory**  
8 **update from Puget Sound Energy (AB2018-348)**. She **moved** to approve a letter of  
9 support to the Utilities and Transportation Commission (*on file*) supporting Puget Sound  
10 Energy's Electric Vehicle Outreach and Pilot Project Plan.

11  
12 The motion was seconded.

13  
14 The motion carried by the following vote:

15 **Ayes:** Ballew, Brenner, Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (7)

16 **Nays:** None (0)

17  
18 Councilmembers discussed the **Public Health Advisory Board seeking support to**  
19 **move forward with a proposal for a resolution to stand in support of immigrant**  
20 **families in Whatcom County (AB2018-312)**.

21  
22 **Browne moved** to send of letter of support from the Council to respond to the  
23 federal government comment period to support continuation of providing benefits to  
24 everyone, regardless of legal immigration status.

25  
26 The motion was seconded.

27  
28 The motion carried by the following vote:

29 **Ayes:** Ballew, Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, and Sidhu (5)

30 **Nays:** Brenner (1)

31 **Absent:** Byrd (out of the room) (1)

32  
33 Councilmembers gave updates on recent activities and upcoming events, spoke  
34 about setting a fishing harvest goal, and thanked Councilmember Ballew for his service on  
35 the County Council.

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38 **ADJOURN**

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40 The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

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42 The County Council approved these minutes on \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

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45 ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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1 Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

Rud Browne, Council Chair

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WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
**Special Committee of the Whole**

November 27, 2018

**CALL TO ORDER**

Council Chair Rud Browne called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, Washington.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Rud Browne, Barry Buchanan, Todd Donovan, Tyler Byrd, and Satpal Sidhu  
**Absent:** Tim Ballew and Barbara Brenner

**COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

**1. REQUEST FOR COUNCIL SUPPORT OF DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY'S CAPITAL BUDGET REQUEST FOR THE FLOODPLAINS BY DESIGN PROGRAM (AB2018-015)**

*Buchanan moved* to approve the request.

The motion was seconded.

Paula Harris, Public Works Department, answered questions.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, and Sidhu (5)  
**Nays:** None (0)  
**Absent:** Ballew and Brenner (2)

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Public Health Advisory Board seeking support to move forward with a proposal for a resolution to stand in support of immigrant families in Whatcom County (AB2018-312)**

Browne stated he will bring forward a proposed letter on behalf of the Board of Health to the next meeting.

Councilmembers discussed the benefits and detriments of the letter and immigration policy in the United States.

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1 **ADJOURN**

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3 The meeting adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

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5 The Council approved these minutes on \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

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7 ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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13 Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

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18 Jill Nixon, Minutes Transcription