COUNCIL AGENDA
FOR JUNE 18, 2013

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.

ACCESSIBLE PARKING IS AVAILABLE NEAR THE COURTHOUSE SOUTH ENTRANCE.

OUR REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE TELEVENED 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:

- JUNE 25, 2013
  SURFACE WATER WORK SESSION
  10:30 A.M., GARDEN LEVEL CONFERENCE ROOM
  322 N. COMMERCIAL

- JULY 1, 2013
  LAKE WHATCOM POLICY GROUP
  9:30 A.M., MUNICIPAL COURT FIREPLACE ROOM
  625 HALLECK STREET

- JULY 4, 2013
  HOLIDAY – OFFICE CLOSED

MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR TODAY:

- 9:30 A.M. – NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
- 11 A.M. – FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE
- 1 P.M. – SPECIAL MEETING IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS – LID BRIEFING
- 2:30 P.M. – PUBLIC WORKS, HEALTH, AND SAFETY COMMITTEE
- 3 P.M. – SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
- 6:15 P.M. – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
COUNCIL COMMITTEE SCHEDULES

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
Members: Sam Crawford, Bill Knutzen, Carl Weimer
9:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 18, 2013
Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue

Committee Discussion

1. Birch Bay Watershed and Aquatic Resources Management District Program update (AB2013-215)
   Pages 1

2. Discussion regarding requested changes to Whatcom County Code 2.27A, Aquatic Invasive Species (AB2013-146A)
   Pages 2 - 4

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   Pages 5 - 60

Other Business

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE
Members: Sam Crawford, Ken Mann, Carl Weimer
11 a.m. Tuesday, June 18, 2013
Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue

Special Presentation

1. Washington Counties Risk Pool annual presentation (AB2013-183)
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    Pages 226 - 229

**Council "Consent Agenda" Items**

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**Pages 471 - 519**

**Other Business**

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**SPECIAL MEETING – LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT BRIEFING**

1 p.m., Tuesday, June 18, 2013  
Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue

1. Washington State Department of Ecology to host a regional briefing on the role that low impact development (LID) practices will have in reissued NPDES Municipal Stormwater Permits (AB2013-189)  
**Pages 520 - 522**

Planned topics for this briefing include:

~ Impetus behind the new permit requirements  
~ Changes in the newly reissued NPDES stormwater permits related to LID  
~ Timeline for various actions by permittees  
~ What the new changes will mean for new development, and actions that can be taken to prepare  
~ Training and other resources that are currently available or that Ecology intends to offer

Local and regional elected officials, appointed officials and management staff (e.g., council members, planning commissioners, city/county administrators, public works directors, etc.) are encouraged to attend.
PUBLIC WORKS, HEALTH, AND SAFETY COMMITTEE
Members: Barbara Brenner, Pete Kremen, Ken Mann
2:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 18, 2013
Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue

Committee Discussion

1. Discussion regarding a proposed ordinance closing a portion of Boundary Road (AB2013-202) (ordinance scheduled for introduction this evening) Pages 523 - 528

Other Business

SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
3 p.m. Tuesday, June 18, 2013
Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue

Committee Discussion

1. Discussion of a proposed ordinance adopting amendments to the Whatcom County Code to allow agricultural parcel reconfiguration and other changes affecting the Agriculture Zone (AB2013-128A) Pages 529 - 590

2. Discussion of a proposed ordinance adopting amendments to the Whatcom County Code to allow packinghouses in the Agriculture Zoning District (AB2012-300B) (ordinance scheduled for introduction this evening) Pages 591 - 612

3. Discussion regarding ongoing issues associated with tubing on the south fork of the Nooksack River (AB2013-236) Page 613

Other Business

COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
6:15 p.m. Tuesday, June 18, 2013
Council Conference Room, 311 Grand Avenue

Committee Discussion

1. Discussion with Senior Deputy Prosecutor Karen Frakes regarding pending litigation, Hirst et al v. Whatcom County, GMHB Case No. 12-2-0013 (AB2013-018) [Discussion of this item may take place in executive session (closed to the public) pursuant to RCW42.30.110 (1) (i)]
No Paper

Other Business
COUNCIL AGENDA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
7 p.m. Tuesday, June 18, 2013
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 May 14, 2013 [Pages 614 - 621]
2. Special Committee of the Whole (executive session) for May 21, 2013 [Pages 622 - 623]
3. Committee of the Whole for May 21, 2013 [Pages 624 - 625]
4. Special Committee of the Whole (9:15 a.m.) for June 4, 2013 [Pages 626 - 627]
5. Committee of the Whole for June 4, 2013 [Pages 628 - 629]

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 amending the Whatcom County Zoning Code Title 20 to create Chapter 20.51, Lake Whatcom Watershed Overlay District, and related Comprehensive Plan amendments (AB2013-102A) [Pages 630 - 672]
2. Ordinance establishing the Superior Court fourth judge courtroom renovation project and establishing a project based budget for the fourth Judge courtroom renovation project (AB2013-208) [Pages 673 - 675]
3. Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code Title 20, the official Whatcom County zoning maps, and the Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan and maps to implement changes related to rural land use planning (AB2013-180) [Pages 676 - 720]

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.

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**Pages 721 - 724**

(No Committee Assignment)

12. Appointment of County Executive Jack Louws to serve as Whatcom County’s representative on the Washington State Association of Counties Board of Directors, with Council Chair Kathy Kershner serving as alternate (AB2013-214)
13. Request confirmation of the County Executive’s appointment of Richard Sturgill to the Parks and Recreation Commission (AB2013-232)  

14. Request confirmation of the County Executive’s appointment of Larry Collier to the Whatcom County Appeals Board (AB2013-233)

**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 closing a portion of Boundary Road (AB2013-202) *(proposed schedule – July 9 public hearing)*  
   Pages 732 - 737

2. Ordinance to enter into a development agreement to mitigate for wetland buffer fill in order to create additional parking pursuant to Conditional Use Permit (CUP) 2012-00001 (AB2013-234) *(proposed schedule – July 9 Planning and Development Committee and Council)*  
   Pages 738 - 833

3. Ordinance ordering the closure of Limestone Road east of Tilbury Road (AB2013-235) *(proposed schedule – July 9 Public Works, Health, and Safety Committee and public hearing)*  
   Pages 834 - 838

4. Ordinance amending the Whatcom County Code to allow packinghouses in the Agriculture Zoning District (AB2012-300B) *(proposed schedule – July 9 public hearing)*  
   Pages 839 - 860

5. Ordinance finalizing a revised system of assessment for Drainage Improvement District No. 6 (AB2013-237) *(proposed schedule – July 23 public hearing)*  
   Pages 861 - 871

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**REPORTS AND OTHER ITEMS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS**

**ADJOURN**

The next regular council meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 9, 2013, in the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue.