

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

NO. 1996 - 293

CLEARANCES	Date	Date Received in Council Office	Agenda Date	Assigned To
Orig. Dept.: County Council	7/31/96		8/6/96	Council - Introduction
Division Head:			9/3/96	Finance / Council
Dept. Head:				
Prosecutor: <i>Rdw</i>	<i>7/31/96</i>			
/Budget:				
Executive:				

SUBJECT:

Exercise of Contract Options Without Council Review

ATTACHMENTS

Ordinance

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Related County Contract #:	Should the Clerk schedule a hearing? (Y/N)	Requested Date:
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This ordinance would allow the Administration to exercise options contained in contracts, which have already been approved by Council vote, from having to go through the Council again. Currently, the Council reviews the exercise of options even though they already had previously approved the inclusion of the option. This results in a duplication of effort and uses valuable Council time.

RECOMMENDED MOTION (for final action):

I move to approve the ordinance.

COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN

1996 - 293 8/6/96: Introduced
 9/3/96: Amended & Adopted 6 - 0. Ord. #96-034

Related File Numbers:

Ordinance or Resolution Number (this item only):

Ord. 96-034

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ORDINANCE NO. 96-034

ALLOWING EXERCISE OF CONTRACT OPTIONS WITHOUT FURTHER COUNCIL REVIEW

WHEREAS, Whatcom County Code Section 3.08.100 requires Council approval of certain contracts, bids and leases; and

WHEREAS, the County on occasion negotiates contracts and leases with options to extend such instruments for an additional term; and

WHEREAS, when the Council provides approval for such contracts and leases they are aware of the options contained in them and the costs that will be incurred; and

WHEREAS, the subsequent review of the same contract or lease by the Council merely because of the exercise of an option already contained in the previously approved contract results in an unnecessary duplication of effort on the part of the Council and staff;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that WCC 3.08.100 is hereby amended as follows:

3.08.100 Council approval required.

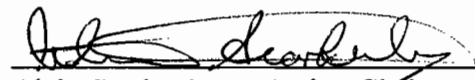
Contracts for professional services exceeding \$15,000, bids exceeding \$35,000 and all real property leases must be submitted to the county council for approval, except when made in the exercise of an option contained in a contract or lease previously approved by the council

ADOPTED this 3 day of September, 1996.

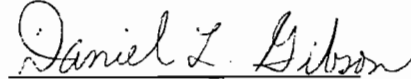
ATTEST:


Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

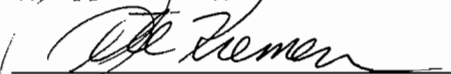
WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Alvin Starkenburg, Acting Chair

APPROVED as to form:


Civil Deputy Prosecutor

Approved Vetoed


Pete Kremen, Executive

Date: 9-6-96