

CLEARANCES	Initial	Date	Date Received in Council Office	Agenda Date	Assigned to:	
Originator: Debbie Hayes	<i>DH</i>	7/27/99	<b>RECEIVED</b>  <b>AUG 03 1999</b>  <b>WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL</b>	8.10.99	Introduction	
Division Head:				9.21.99	Finance / Council	
Dept. Head: Barbara J. Cory, Treasurer	<i>bjc</i>	7/27/99				
Prosecutor	<i>KNF</i>	7/28/99				
Purchasing/Budget:						
Executive:	<i>PK</i>	8.2.99				

**SUBJECT: Ordinance revising Whatcom County Code 1.10, adding a new section, 1.10.395, entitled "Worthless County-Owned Structures" Req. #99-3**

**ATTACHMENTS: Ordinance and Exhibit A**

Related County Contract #:

Should Clerk schedule a hearing:  NO /  YES /  Requested Date:

**SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

*This ordinance adds clarification for the disposal of real property.*

**Ordinance & Resolution Distribution Request**

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Jail	
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Parks	
Planning	
Prosecutor	
Public Works	
Sheriff	
Superior Court	
Treasurer	Debbie Hayes
Other	

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Treasurer recommends that the Council adopt the ordinance.**

**COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN:**

1999 - 314 8/10/99: Introduced,  
9/21/99: Adopted 5-0, Dawson, Nelson absent Ord. #99-047

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Ordinance or Resolution Number  
(this item):

ORD. # 99-047

SPONSORED BY: Consent  
PROPOSED BY: Treasurer  
INTRODUCTION DATE: 8/10/99

ORDINANCE NO. 99-047

REVISING WHATCOM COUNTY CODE 1.10,  
CLARIFICATION FOR DISPOSAL OF REAL PROPERTY

1 WHEREAS, RCW 36.34.005 authorizes counties to establish comprehensive procedures for  
2 the management of county property;

3 WHEREAS, Whatcom County has established comprehensive procedures for the  
4 management of county property in accordance with RCW 36.34.005;

5 WHEREAS, the established procedures do not provide for the demolition of county-owned  
6 structures determined to be worthless;

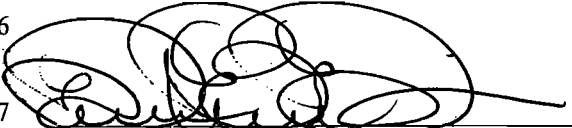
7 WHEREAS, the need for such procedure has become apparent due to the existence of such  
8 structures, one of which posed an immediate threat to the public;

9 WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the public to establish a procedure for demolition of  
10 worthless county-owned structures;


11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that a new  
12 section, Whatcom County Code Section 1.10.395, entitled "Worthless County-Owned Structures," be  
13 added to chapter 1.10 of the Whatcom County Code as set forth in the attached Exhibit A.

14 APPROVED this 28 day of September, 1999.

15 ATTEST:


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18 Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

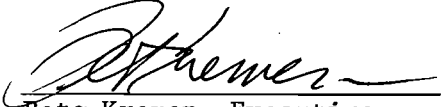
WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
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Tom Brown, Acting Council Chair

Approved  Denied

19 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

  
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Pete Kremen, Executive

10-1-99  
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Date

## **EXHIBIT A**

### **WORTHLESS COUNTY-OWNED STRUCTURES**

All county department heads shall notify the director of administrative services of county-owned structures deemed to be worthless. If the director determines a county-owned structure to be worthless and immediately hazardous to the public, the director shall notify the county executive. If the county executive concurs with the determination of the director, the structure shall be demolished. The county executive shall notify the county treasurer, the county assessor, and the county council of the demolition. If the director determines a county-owned structure to be worthless, but not immediately hazardous to the public, the director shall refer the matter to the county executive for review. Upon a determination by the county executive that the property is in fact worthless and without value, the matter shall be referred to the county council for its approval prior to demolition.