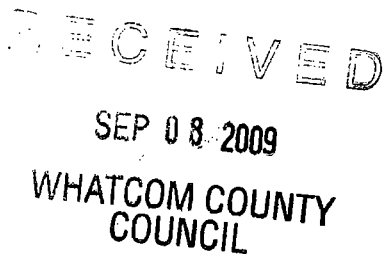


WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL AGENDA BILL

NO. 2009-366

CLEARANCES	Initial	Date	Date Received in Council Office	Agenda Date	Assigned to:
Originator: Brenner, Kelly, Weimer	BB, BK, CW	9/8/09		9/15/2009	Council
Division Head:				9/15/2009	Finance
Dept. Head:					
Prosecutor:					
Purchasing/Budget:					
Executive:					

TITLE OF DOCUMENT:
A RESOLUTION REQUESTING INFORMATION FROM THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE FOR THE MID-BIENNIUM 2009 – 2010 BUDGET REVIEW

ATTACHMENTS:
Resolution and Exhibit A

SEPA review required? () Yes (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) NO	Should Clerk schedule a hearing? () Yes (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) NO
SEPA review completed? () Yes () NO	Requested Date:

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE: *(If this item is an ordinance or requires a public hearing, you must provide the language for use in the required public notice. Be specific and cite RCW or WCC as appropriate. Be clear in explaining the intent of the action.)*

A resolution requesting certain materials from the County Executive by October 19, 2009 to aid in the 2009-2010 mid-biennium review.

COMMITTEE ACTION:
 9/15/2009: Failed in Committee

COUNCIL ACTION:
 9/15/2009: Council Amended & Approved 5-2
 Nelson & Crawford opposed
 Res. 2009-047

Related County Contract #:	Related File Numbers:	Ordinance or Resolution Number: Res. 2009-047
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Please Note: *Once adopted and signed, ordinances and resolutions are available for viewing and printing on the County's website at: www.co.whatcom.wa.us/council.*

SPONSORED BY: Consent
PROPOSED BY: BRENNER, KELLY, WEIMER
INTRODUCTION DATE: SEPTEMBER 15, 2009

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-047

REQUESTING INFORMATION FROM THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE FOR THE MID-BIENNIUM 2009 – 2010 BUDGET REVIEW

WHEREAS, the citizens of Whatcom County voted on November 4, 1997, in favor of adding Section 6.05 regarding the adoption of a biennial budget cycle with a mid-biennium review to the Whatcom County Home Rule Charter (Article 6); and

WHEREAS, on November 25, 2008, the Whatcom County Council adopted a biennial budget for 2009-2010; and

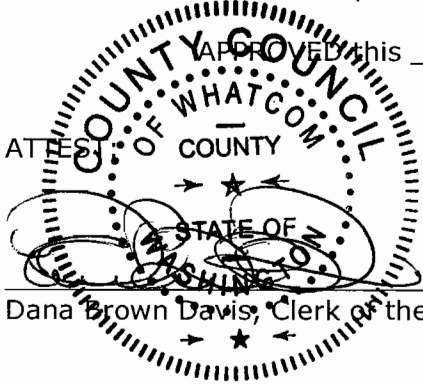
WHEREAS, on July 8, 2008, the Whatcom County Council adopted Ordinance 2008-026 adopting a biennial budget process including how the mid-biennium review will be undertaken; and

WHEREAS, a significant economic downturn has had a serious negative effect on County revenues and caused the need to significantly adjust the 2009-2010 budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Whatcom County Council requests the County Executive provide the information shown on attached Exhibit A on or before October 19th to help in an efficient mid-biennium review.

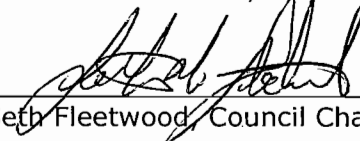
APPROVED this 15th day of September 2009

ATTEST



Dana Brown Davis, Clerk of the Council

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Seth Fleetwood, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Karen J. Fahn
Civil Deputy Prosecutor

EXHIBIT A

Information requested of the County Executive for the mid-biennium review.

1. The status of the administration's proposed budget stabilization efforts for the 2009 budget through the end of August 2009 and identification of any remaining or additional proposed adjustments;
2. The budgeted and actual revenues and expenditures for all funds through the end of August 2009;
3. The budgeted and actual fee revenues identified by department and types, and an explanation for any collection shortfalls.
4. A full list of FTEs authorized in the 2009-2010 budget identifying vacancies, department or administrative hiring holds or freezes, and presentations of any proposals for staff reductions to meet reduced 2009-2010 expenditure levels in any fund.
5. Proposed revised revenue projections for 2010 and any associated expenditure increases or reductions for all county funds, including which programs/purchases the administration proposes to increase or reduce.
6. Five year revenue projections for REET I, REET II, and the Conservation Futures Funds, three year expenditure forecasts with as much specificity as possible, along with a 2009-2010 budget for each fund.
7. Presentation on the purpose and use of all the different parts of the Administrative Services Fund including a full explanation of how the various cost allocations (administrative, space rental, etc) charged to other funds or General Fund departments are calculated.
8. The administration's plan to meet increasing compliance and enforcement obligations associated with the protection of Lake Whatcom, critical areas, and shorelines.
9. Proposed property tax levy ordinances for 2010