

# WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN

April 13, 2010

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Discussion regarding the proposed ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 2.02, County Council (AB2010-143A) (ordinance scheduled for introduction this evening) **Discussed**
2. Discussion regarding the proposed ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 2.03, Boards and Commissions (AB2010-143B) (ordinance scheduled for introduction this evening) **Discussed**

## SPECIAL PRESENTATION

1. Quarterly report from the Behavioral Health Review Advisory Committee (AB2010-017) **Presented**

## OPEN SESSION

### PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Ordinance imposing an interim moratorium on the acceptance of new applications for Wind Energy Systems (WES) greater than 500 kilowatts, or multiple WES per parcel with a cumulative rated output above 100 kilowatts (AB2010-116A) **Amended & Adopted 4-3**  
**Kershner, Mann & Weimer Opposed**  
**Ord#2010-018**
2. Ordinance amending the Whatcom County Code, Title 20, to clarify and revise the definition and standards of home occupations (AB2010-047) **Introduce revised version on**  
**April 27 for Public Hearing on May 11**
3. Resolution amending the 2010 Annual Construction Program to include potential federally grant funded structural rehabilitation of various county high volume roadways (AB2010-160) **Approved 6-0**  
**Nelson out of room, Res#2010-013**

### CONSENT AGENDA

1. Request approval for the County Executive to enter into a lease agreement with David and Sharon McCarthy to lease the house at 811 Marine Drive, Point Roberts (at Lighthouse Marine Park), in the amount of \$975 per month (AB2010-174) **Approved 7-0**

2. Request approval for the County Executive to award bid #10-15 for on-call contractor/equipment for labor and rental of construction equipment to all bidders, with the intent of obtaining firm pricing and to ensure prevailing wages are paid on all on-call projects, in an annual amount that could be more than \$35,000 for a single vendor (AB2010-175) **(requires two motions, one for Council approval and one for approval by the Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)** **Approved 7-0 as Council**  
**Approved 7-0 as FCZDBOS**
3. Request approval for the County Executive to award bid #10-16 for on-call rental equipment to all bidders, when needed, the County will select from the rental list based on equipment availability and suitability with preference to low bidders, in an annual amount that could be more than \$35,000 for a single vendor (AB2010-176) **Approved 7-0**
4. Request approval for the County Executive to award bid #10-22 for the supply of bridge girders to low bidder Bellingham Marine Industries for the replacement of the Noon Road Ten Mile Creek Bridge #210, in the amount of \$71,306.22 (AB2010-177) **Approved 7-0**

### OTHER ITEMS

1. Request approval for the County Executive to enter into a contract between Whatcom County (Sheriff's Office Department of Emergency Management) and Snohomish County for the purpose of allocating grant funds from the Department of Homeland Security to enhance the capability of local units of government to prevent, deter, respond to and recover from catastrophic and/or terrorist events in the amount of \$272,825 (AB2010-173) **Approved 7-0**
2. Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 20.80.210, Minimum Setbacks, to implement a ten foot setback for properties along the US-Canada border (AB2010-166) **Adopted 7-0**  
**Ord#2010-019**
3. Nomination and appointment to fill vacancy on the Whatcom County Address and Road Name Citizen Appeals Committee, Applicant: Robert Ewing (AB2010-168) **Ewing Appointed 7-0**

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4. Nomination and appointment to fill vacancy on the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Advisory Committee, representing Impacted Cities, Applicant: John Perry (AB2010-169) **(Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)**  
**Perry Appointed 7-0**
  5. Resolution requesting the Executive to have proposed legislation prepared amending the Comprehensive Plan, zoning code and maps to alter the designations of various Urban Grown Areas (AB2010-183) **Approved 4-3**  
**Brenner, Mann & Weimer Opposed**  
**Res#2010-014**
  5. Ordinance amending, on an interim basis WCC 20.84 and WCC 21.01 to allow for the Planning and Development Services Director or Whatcom County Hearing Examiner to grant a one-time two year economic hardship extension to issued planned unit developments, conditional use, variance, administrative approval, short subdivision or binding site plat, and critical area and geologic assessment reports (AB2010-180) (hearing to be scheduled) **Introduced**
  6. Ordinance amending, on an interim basis, Whatcom County Code 10.44, Horses on Certain Roads (AB2010-145A) (hearing to be scheduled) **Introduced**

## **CORRESPONDENCE APPROVAL**

1. Approval of a letter to the Army Corp of Engineers regarding proposed changes to levee vegetation policies (AB2010-126)  
**Amended & Approved 7-0**
7. Ordinance amending the 2010 Whatcom County Project Budget, second request, in the amount of \$250,000 (AB2010-181) **Introduced**

## **INTRODUCTION ITEMS**

1. ~~Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 2.02, County Council (AB2010-143A) (hearing to be scheduled)~~ **Withdrawn**
2. ~~Ordinance amending Whatcom County Code 2.03, Boards and Commissions (AB2010-143B) (hearing to be scheduled)~~ **Withdrawn**
3. Resolution declaring the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District's intention to lease property at 7495 Emmerson Road and authorize the County Executive to enter into a lease agreement with the highest responsible bidder, subject to a public hearing (AB2010-178) **(Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)** (hearing to be scheduled) **Introduced**
8. Ordinance limiting total annual real estate property tax increases, including the use of banked capacity, to one percent per year unless a non-binding advisory ballot measure with any proposed additional increases is placed before Whatcom County voters (AB2010-182) **(hearing to be scheduled)** **Introduced**
9. Resolution limiting total annual real estate property tax increases for the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District, including the use of banked capacity, to one percent per year unless a non-binding advisory ballot measure with any proposed additional increases is placed before Whatcom County voters (AB2010-182A) **(Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)** (hearing to be scheduled) **Introduced**
4. Ordinance amending the 2010 Whatcom County Budget, ninth request, in the amount of \$71,451 (AB2010-179) **Introduced**

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

## **REPORTS AND OTHER ITEMS FROM COUNCILMEMBERS**

## **ADJOURN**

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS (PLEASE CALL TO CONFIRM):

April 20, 2010	-Health Committee, 9:00 a.m., Civic Center Building -Surface Water Work Session, 10:30 a.m., Civic Center Building -Joint Lake Management Committee meeting, City Council Chambers (evening meeting, time to be announced)
April 27, 2010	-Regular council and committee meetings, Council Chambers
May 11, 2010	-Regular council and committee meetings, Council Chambers
May 18, 2010	-Surface Water Work Session, 10:30 a.m., Civic Center Building
May 25, 2010	-Regular council and committee meetings, Council Chambers
May 31, 2010	HOLIDAY