



City of Bellingham City Council Regular Meeting Agenda November 21, 2022, 7:00 PM

Mayor: Seth Fleetwood

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All meetings are held in the City Hall Council Chambers at
210 Lottie Street, Bellingham, WA, unless otherwise noted.
Please note the doors to City Hall unlock at 6:30 PM.

The City Council Regular meeting will be conducted in a hybrid setting: both in-person and remote access will be available.

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Meeting ID: **919 5742 8832**

Password: **9**

Advance Public Hearing testimony, and general Public Comment, can be presented to the Council:

- by mail
 - 210 Lottie Street, Bellingham, WA 98225
- online
 - for a public hearing: <https://cob.org/publichearing>
 - for general public comment: <https://cob.org/ccpubliccomment>
- by telephone
 - 360-778-8200

Members of the public are also invited to provide live testimony during all Public Hearings.

Testimony provided by members of the public must be on topic.

The topic of each Public Hearing is published in advance. Pre-registration through the sign-up link (<https://cob.org/ccsignup>) is encouraged but not required.

To testify live during a Public Hearing:

- attend the hearing in Council Chambers: City Hall, 210 Lottie Street, Bellingham, WA 98225
- join the remote meeting at the following link: <https://cob.org/cczoom>

join by phone (see phone numbers above): raise hand by entering *9 on phone keypad, and use *6 to mute and un-mute

The following items are heard in the Regular Meeting only:

Call to Order

Announcements & Upcoming Meetings:

Bellingham City Council meets all requirements of the State of Washington Open Meetings Act.

1. **On December 12, 2022 at 7:00 PM, there will be a Public Hearing to consider the proposed updates to the design review program as it currently applies to the Downtown, Old Town, Waterfront, Fairhaven, Fountain, Samish and Barkley urban villages. The proposal includes modification of design review standards in Bellingham Municipal Code sections 20.25, 20.35 and 20.37, adoption of unified urban village and historic preservation design guidelines and updates to review procedures**

Roll Call

Public Hearing

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| 23531 | 1. Public Hearing on Proposed Ordinance Authorizing Condemnation of Property for the James/Bakerview Intersection Reconstruction Project | p. 7 |
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Mayor's Report

Standing time for briefings, updates and reports to Council by the Mayor, if needed.
Information only.

The following are heard in both Committee sessions and Regular Meeting in order below:

Council Standing Committee Meetings:

Open to the public to attend. Note: there is generally no public comment period for Committee sessions. Standing Committee Members receive reports and information, ask questions and, when appropriate, vote on a recommended action for consideration by the full Council at the Regular Meeting. The notice of Committee Meetings identified below also serves as notice of Special Meetings of the City Council at the times identified as Council Members who are not members of the committee routinely attend and participate in the Committee Meetings. Committee Chairs give a report of the Committee Meeting at the Regular Meeting in the evening prior to deliberation and formal vote in the order shown below:

Public Works and Natural Resources 1:00 PM

Michael Lilliquist, Chair

Lisa Anderson, Kristina Michele Martens

- 22889 1. Update on the City of Bellingham Urban Forestry Management Plan, Conclusion of Phase 2 p. 36**

Planning 1:45 PM

Lisa Anderson, Chair

Daniel Hammill, Edwin H. "Skip" Williams

- 23532 1. Exempt a Temporary Shelter from Compliance from State Building Code Requirements p. 171**

Parks and Recreation 2:00 PM

Edwin H. "Skip" Williams, Chair

Hollie Huthman, Lisa Anderson

- 23533 1. Third Modification to Lease Agreement for Sportsplex Facility - Contract #2004-0053 p. 181**

- 23534 2. Greenways Strategic Plan 2022-2026 p. 191**

Committee Of The Whole 2:45 PM

Hannah Stone, Chair

Hollie Huthman, Daniel Hammill, Edwin H. "Skip" Williams, Lisa Anderson, Michael Lilliquist, Kristina Michele Martens

Please be advised that if the City Council is ahead of schedule, they may start with old/new business before the official Committee of the Whole meeting time.

23535	1.	Resolution in Support of Abortion Rights, in Opposition to the U.S. Supreme Court Opinion in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, and Stating that it is City Policy that No City Employee Within the Scope of their Duties Interfere with the Rights of an Individual to Access Abortion Services	p. 230
23536	2.	Discussion Regarding Resolution 2007-18 (Proposed Charter Review)	p. 236
23391	3.	Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes	p. 248
23537	4.	Approval of Special Meeting Minutes - Council Retreat	p. 268
23538	5.	Approval of Special Meeting Minutes	p. 270
	6.	Old/New Business	

Executive Session 3:30 PM

Closed to the public. Report in the Regular Meeting only:

- 1. Potential Property Acquisition (Marriner, approx. 5 min)**
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- 3. Labor Relations – Discussion of Collective Bargaining Strategy (Monahan, approx. 10 min)**

Consent Agenda

All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and/or non-controversial items and may be approved in a single motion. A member of the Council may ask that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

23539	1.	Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Bellingham and Whatcom County for Economic Development Investment Program Funding of the Meridian-Birchwood Roundabout Project	p. 273
23540	2.	Authorize the Mayor to Enter into an Inter-Agency Agreement with the Department of Ecology for Grant Funding for the Padden Creek 24th - 30th Streets Restoration Project, Phase 2	p. 284
23541	3.	Authorize the Mayor to Enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Whatcom County to Utilize Offender Work Crews to Perform Clean-up and Vegetation Management as Needed	p. 301

- 23542 4. Authorization of A/P Transactions Issued November 04, 2022 through November 10, 2022 p. 312
- 23543 5. Authorization of A/P Transactions Issued October 27, 2022 through November 04, 2022 p. 313

Final Consideration of Ordinances

- 23510 1. An Ordinance of the City of Bellingham Amending the Bellingham Comprehensive Plan to Rezone Area 1 of the Cordata Neighborhood to Modify the “Town Center” Designation in the Bellingham Municipal Code (BMC) as Governed by the Cordata Planned Unit Development (PUD) Amendment No. 2 p. 314
- 23321 2. An Ordinance of the City of Bellingham Amending the Bellingham Comprehensive Plan to Rezone a Property Located at 2948 James St. in Area 1A of the Sunnyland Neighborhood from Residential, Single to Residential Multi, Planned (High Density) p. 331
- 23519 3. An Ordinance of the City of Bellingham, Washington Relating to Public Electric Vehicle Charging Stations in Parking Facilities Owned or Controlled by the City of Bellingham, Adding a New Chapter 11.37 to the Bellingham Municipal Code p. 345
- 23521 4. An Ordinance Amending the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget Increasing Revenues and Expenditures and Authorizing an Interfund Loan of up to \$1,500,000 from the General Fund to the Medic One Fund p. 350
- 23522 5. An Ordinance of the City of Bellingham, Washington Relating to the Levying of Taxes and Establishing the Amount to be Raised in 2023 on the Assessed Valuation of the Property Within the City p. 357

Adjournment

Agenda Information:

Council Committee and Regular Meeting agendas and agenda packets, which contain the supporting documentation for agenda items, are available to the public Wednesday afternoon prior to the meeting. They are posted at <https://cob.org/meetings>. A hard copy of the agenda packet is available for review from the reference desk at the Central Library or the Finance office at City Hall.

Live Broadcast Information:

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BTV Council Meeting Rebroadcast Schedule:

Tues. 12 PM: Repeat broadcast of Monday afternoon Committee meetings
Tues. 7 PM: Repeat broadcast of Monday night regular meeting
Wed. 8 AM: Repeat broadcast of Monday night regular meeting
Sat. 12 PM: Repeat broadcast of Monday afternoon Committee meetings
Sat. 7 PM: Repeat broadcast of Monday night regular meeting

Accessibility:

The Council Chambers is fully accessible. Elevator access to the second floor is available at City Hall's west entrance. Hearing assistance is available, and a receiver may be checked out through the Deputy City Clerk prior to the evening session. For additional accommodations, contact the Legislative Assistant at 778-8200 in advance of the meeting. Thank you.

**Next City Council Meeting
Monday, December 5, 2022**

Deadline to submit material for any public hearing for inclusion in the published agenda packet is 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday prior to the meeting.