



City of Bellingham City Council Regular Meeting Agenda June 7, 2021, 7:00 PM

Mayor Seth Fleetwood

Council Members Hannah Stone, Gene Knutson, Daniel Hammill,

Pinky Vargas, Lisa Anderson, Michael Lilliquist and

Hollie Huthman

Deputy City Clerk Elisabeth Oakes

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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.

Council members will participate in this meeting remotely through an online web-based meeting platform. Per Washington State Proclamation 20-28, in-person attendance at meetings is prohibited at this time.

Council meetings are streamed live via the City's website at meetings.cob.org and on the [City's YouTube channel](#). Meetings are broadcast in high definition on BTV on Comcast channel 321, and in standard definition on Comcast channel 10.

Anyone wishing to comment during the regular public comment period is invited to do so.

Advance written public hearing testimony is encouraged and can be presented to the Council by mail (210 Lottie Street, Bellingham, WA 98225), online <https://engagebellingham.org/council-public-comment>, or by telephone (360-778-8200).

To present live testimony during the 15-minute public comment period, pre-registration through the meeting link (<https://cob.org/ccsignup>) is encouraged but not required. Anyone wishing to testify live during the meeting may join remotely via <https://cob.org/cczoom>.

Those who would like to listen in by phone can do so using any of the following phone numbers:

- (253) 215-8782
- (346) 248-7799
- (669) 900-6833
- (301) 715-8592
- (312) 626-6799
- (929) 205-6099

Meeting ID: **941 9601 5179**

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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 June 21, 2021 at 7:00 PM there will be a Public Hearing to consider City Council's May 10, 2021 approval of an extension of a moratorium on the redevelopment of any of the ten manufactured home parks in Bellingham.**

Roll Call

Mayor's Report

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

23007	1.	Mayor's Appointment of Rachel Jewell to the Community Development Advisory Board (Information)	p. 6
23008	2.	Mayor's Appointments of Tourism Commission Members (Information)	p. 9
23009	3.	Mayor's Reappointment and Appointment to the Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Commission (Information)	p. 24
23010	4.	Mayor's Appointment of Mary Hooker to the Bellingham Sister Cities Board (Information)	p. 27

Public Comment Period

City Council Special Meeting 1:00 PM

23011	1.	Closed Record Hearing to Consider a Street Vacation for a Portion of Queen Street North of Lakeway Drive, East of Puget Street and South of the Civic Field Open Space	p. 30
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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 1:10 PM

Michael Lilliquist, Chair

Gene Knutson, Lisa Anderson

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| 23012 | 1. | Update on Middle Fork Nooksack River Fish Passage Project (EN-0047) | p. 91 |
| 22994 | 2. | Adoption of Draft 2022-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) | p. 108 |

Planning 1:40 PM

Lisa Anderson, Chair

Daniel Hammill, Hollie Huthman

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| 23013 | 1. | An Ordinance Amending the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget Adding a Plans Examiner Position in the Development Services Fund | p. 142 |
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Parks and Recreation 1:45 PM

Gene Knutson, Chair

Pinky Vargas, Lisa Anderson

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| 23014 | 1. | Third Modification to Lease Agreement – Craft Studio at Boulevard Park (Woods Coffee) | p. 146 |
| 22982 | 2. | An Ordinance Amending BMC Chapter 8.04 Regarding Parks and Trails and Providing New Rules for Electric-Assisted Bicycles on Trails, Prohibiting Smoking, Reducing Speed Limits, and Other Updates | p. 154 |

Committee Of The Whole 2:00 PM

Hannah Stone, Chair

Gene Knutson, Daniel Hammill, Pinky Vargas, Lisa Anderson, Michael Lilliquist, Hollie Huthman

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.

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| 22971 | 1. | Fire Department Strategic Plan | p. 165 |
| 23015 | 2. | Discussion of Options for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement in Bellingham | p. 318 |
| | 3. | Approval of Minutes | |
| | 4. | Old/New Business | |

Executive Session 3:30 PM

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

- 1. Potential Property Acquisition (Stamps approx. 3 min)**
- 2. Potential Property Acquisition (Stamps approx. 3 min)**
- 3. Potential Property Acquisition (Stamps approx. 3 min)**
- 4. Potential Property Acquisition (Stamps approx. 3 min)**
- 5. Litigation: Eldard v. City of Bellingham et al. (Brady approx. 10 min)**
- 6. Litigation: Fox v. City of Bellingham (Brady approx. 10 min)**
- 7. Litigation: Young v. City of Bellingham (Brady approx. 15 min)**
- 8. Litigation: Lev vs. City of Bellingham and Seth Fleetwood (Marriner approx. 30 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.

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| 23016 | 1. | Authorization of Payroll Labor Cost Payments Dated May 01, 2021 to May 15, 2021 | p. 354 |
| 23017 | 2. | Authorization of A/P Transactions Issued May 07, 2021 through May 13, 2021 | p. 355 |
| 23018 | 3. | Authorization of A/P Transactions Issued May 14, 2021 through May 20, 2021 | p. 356 |
| 23019 | 4. | Authorize the Mayor to Enter Into an Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Bellingham and Whatcom County for Whatcom Unified Command COVID-19 Support Services | p. 357 |
| 23020 | 5. | A Resolution Setting the Date and Time for a Public Hearing Before the Hearing Examiner for Consideration of a Street Vacation Petition for "Center Street" Located Between D, E, Astor and Bancroft Streets in Old Town | p. 363 |

Final Consideration of Ordinances

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| 22979 | 1. | James Street Preferred Arterial Standard Ordinance | p. 367 |
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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://meetings.cob.org>. 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:

The Bellingham City Council Committee Meetings are broadcast live on BTV Bellingham at the times listed on the Agenda. Committee session start times between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM are estimated. A specific Committee may start later than the time published but will not begin earlier than its published time.

BTV can be found on cable systems as follows: Comcast channels 10 (standard) and 321 (high definition), and CenturyLink channels 40 (standard) and 1040 (high definition).

The meetings are also [streamed live](#) on the internet as they occur. Online viewers will see exactly what cable customers would see.

The Bellingham Public Library also has DVD's available for checkout. Video and audio files are available on the Internet at <https://meetings.cob.org> within 5 business days following each meeting.

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, June 21, 2021**

Deadline to submit material for any public hearing for inclusion in the published agenda packet is 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday prior to the meeting.