



City of Bellingham
City Council Regular Meeting Agenda
December 13, 2021, 7:00 PM

Mayor Seth Fleetwood
Council Members Hannah Stone, Gene Knutson, Daniel Hammill,
Pinky Vargas, Lisa Anderson, Michael Lilliquist and
Hollie Huthman
Legislative Assistant, Nalini Margaitis

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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 not required at this time.

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

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

- by mail (210 Lottie Street, Bellingham, WA 98225)
- online
 - for a public hearing: <https://cob.org/gov/public/public-hearing-testimony>
 - for general public comment:
<https://engagebellingham.org/council-public-comment>
- by telephone (360-778-8200)

Members of the public are also invited to provide live testimony during any Public Hearing. Pre-registration through the sign-up link (<https://cob.org/ccsignup>) is encouraged but not required. To testify live during the meeting, speakers can join the remote meeting at the following link: <https://cob.org/cczoom>

Meeting ID: **941 9601 5179**

Meeting Password: **9**

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. The next two City Council public comment sessions will be held at 7:00 PM on December 20 and December 27. Public comment sessions may be accessed via Zoom at: <https://cob.org/commentzoom> (Meeting ID: 923 0705 9297 Password: 018602)
2. The 2022 City Council Reorganization meeting will occur at 1:00 PM on January 03, 2022 and may be accessed via Zoom at: <https://cob.org/cczoom> (Meeting ID: 933 2687 3296 Passcode: 9)
3. The Swearing-In Ceremony for Hollie Huthman, Michael Lilliquist, Skip Williams, and Kristina Martens will occur at 7:00 PM on January 03, 2022 and may be accessed via Zoom at: <https://cob.org/cczoom> (Meeting ID: 919 5742 8832 Passcode: 9)

Roll Call

Public Hearing

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| 23146 | 1. | Public Hearing to Review an Ordinance Extending the Moratorium on the Processing of Development Applications and Permits Relating to the Redevelopment of Existing Mobile Home Parks | p. 8 |
| 23193 | 2. | Public Hearing to Consider Amendments to BMC Chapter 17.10 and the Washington State Energy Code - Commercial, Requiring Electrification and Efficiency Standards for Certain Multi-Family and Commercial Buildings | p. 17 |

Mayor's Report

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

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| 23194 | 1. | Mayor's Reappointment of Robin Williams to the Civil Service Commission (Approval) | p. 321 |
| 23195 | 2. | Mayor's Reappointment of Garrett Leque to the Lake Whatcom Watershed Advisory Board (Approval) | p. 322 |
| 23196 | 3. | Mayor's Appointments to the Greenway Advisory Committee (Approval) | p. 323 |

23197	4.	Mayor's Appointments to the Immigration Advisory Board (Approval)	p. 338
23198	5.	Mayor's Appointment of Katy Scherrer to the Transportation Commission (Approval)	p. 346
23199	6.	Mayor's Reappointment of Mary Hooker to the Bellingham Sister Cities Board (Information)	p. 350
23200	7.	Mayor's Reappointment of Sara Holliday and Appointment of Marc Blake to the Tourism Commission (Information)	p. 351
23201	8.	Mayor's Appointments to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board (Information)	p. 355

Public Comment Report

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 10:00 AM

Michael Lilliquist, Chair

Gene Knutson, Lisa Anderson

23202	1.	Donation of Real Property for City Ownership and Maintenance of Stormwater Facilities Located Thereon	p. 360
23203	2.	Post Point Sludge Pumping System Replacement	p. 370
23204	3.	Report from the December 1, 2021 Lake Whatcom Policy Group Meeting	p. 374
23205	4.	Emergency Repairs Resulting from November Flood	p. 377
23069	5.	Broadband Advisory Workgroup Update #2	p. 380

Public Health, Safety, and Justice 11:15 AM

Daniel Hammill, Chair

Gene Knutson, Hollie Huthman

23206 1. Inter-Agency Agreement for Paramedic Training Class p. 390

23207 2. Inter-Agency Agreement for Lateral Paramedic Training p. 401

Community and Economic Development 1:00 PM

Hollie Huthman, Chair

Pinky Vargas, Michael Lilliquist

23208 1. A Presentation of the Whatcom County Community & Economic Development Strategy p. 409

23209 2. Update on a New Pathway for Families with Children that are Experiencing Homelessness p. 410

23210 3. Assessment of Downtown Services and Description of New Initiatives Underway p. 413

23211 4. Update on Outdoor Dining Areas in the Public Right-of-Way p. 422

Committee Of The Whole 2:15 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.

23212 1. Return to City Facilities Planning p. 439

23213 2. Adoption of the 2021 Whatcom County Multi-jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan p. 442

23180 3. Continued Review of an Ordinance Amending the Infill Housing Toolkit Provisions of the Bellingham Municipal Code p. 446

23214 4. Resource Recovery Project Update and Loan Application p. 510

5. Approval of Minutes

6. Old/New Business

Executive Session 4:15 PM

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

- 1. Litigation: Hanlon v. City of Bellingham (Miller, approx. 15 min)**
- 2. Labor Relations: Discuss 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.

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| 23215 | 1. | Authorization of A/P Transactions Issued November 25, 2021 through December 02, 2021 | p. 552 |
| 23216 | 2. | 2022 Interlocal Agreement with Whatcom County for Use of Bellingham's Vactor Waste Transfer Facility | p. 553 |
| 23217 | 3. | Term Extension of United States Geological Survey Collaborative Agreement for the Coastal Storm Surge Modeling System Project | p. 562 |

Final Consideration of Ordinances

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| 23179 | 1. | An Ordinance Extending a Franchise to Comcast Cable Communications Management, LLC to Operate and Maintain a Cable System in the City of Bellingham; Setting forth Conditions Accompanying the Grant of Franchise; and Providing for City Regulation and Administration of the Cable System | p. 565 |
| 23183 | 2. | An Ordinance Relating to Land Use and Zoning, Amending Bellingham Municipal Code Sections 20.08.020, 20.10.030, 20.10.036, 20.10.037, and 20.12.040, and Chapter 20.52 to Improve the City's Code Enforcement Procedures by Making Violation of the City's Short-Term Rental, Accessory Dwelling Unit, and Sign Ordinances and Other Sections of Title 20 A Civil Infraction and by Authorizing the City to Record a Notice of Violation Against a Property that is in Violation of the Bellingham Municipal Code | p. 632 |
| 23145 | 3. | An Ordinance Amending the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget, Providing for Adoption of the Mid-Biennium Adjustments to the Biennial Budget Pursuant to the Terms of RCW 35.34.130 | p. 640 |

Presentation

23191 1. Resolution Honoring Councilmember Pinky Vargas p. 648

23192 2. Resolution Honoring Councilmember Gene Knutson p. 652

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.

Upcoming meetings:

2022 Reorganization Meeting*
Monday, January 03, 2022, at 1:00 PM

Swearing-In Ceremony
Monday, January 03, 2022, at 7:00 PM

Next City Council Meeting
Monday, January 10, 2022

* As in past years, the Reorganization meeting is not streamed live to YouTube, nor broadcast by BTV. Members of the public will have live access via Zoom (please refer to the information provided on page 2 of this packet), and a recording will be available on demand at www.cob.org/meetings. For additional accommodations, please contact the City Council Office at 360-778-8200. Thank you.

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.