

Whatcom County Business and Commerce Committee

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January 21, 2021, 11-1230pm

Agenda

Call meeting to order (5 min)

Introductions / Comments from the Public (5 min)

Administrative business (15 min)

- Approve minutes from prior meeting (December 2020)
- Return via email contact information for proxy/representative form (name, title, email, phone number)
- Open applications for two positions: manufacturing and food processing
- Introduce new committee member, Gail Buce, Alabama Hill Soap and Honey

Whatcom County Representative Briefing (15 min)

Advisory board representative to County Council, Councilmember assigned at 1/12/2021 meeting

1. Update on AB2021-018: Ordinance amending the 2021 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 2, in the amount of \$5,839,516
2. Update on AB2020-345: Discussion of proposed Cherry Point amendments
3. Update on AB2020-219: Discussion and update on strategies and other items related to COVID-19 (Council and Health Board)

POB Regional Economic Partnership Staff Briefing (5 min)

Business and Commerce in 2021 (25 mins)

- Purpose: to get committee priorities aligned for 2021 in order to create a committee work plan and to get important CEDS stakeholder input from committee
- Debbie Ahl to lead discussion on: Where are we going? What do we want to focus our efforts on? How can we work to strengthen our community and our economy?
- Jennifer Noveck to discuss Whatcom County Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) update and BAC committee stakeholder engagement re: sectoral opportunities and threats assessment

Sector Updates (25 min)

Comments from the Public (5 min)

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Next meeting: Thursday, February 18, 2021 11-1230 via Zoom