

SKAGIT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA

Meetings are held at 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon unless noted otherwise
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Public comments prior to final action per RCW 42.30.20(4) must relate to the specific agenda item

I. MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2026:

- a) 8:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Briefing – Planning and Development Services, Facilities Management, and Public Health
- b) 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Briefing – Public Works
- c) 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Briefing – Central Services
- d) 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Legislative Update from Columbia Policy Advisors
- e) *1:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance
- f) *1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Presentation from the Skagit Tourism Bureau on the 2026 Workplan
- g) *1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Consent Agenda, Vouchers, Warrants and Miscellaneous Items:
 - 1. Public Comment (Specifically related to the agenda item)
- h) 2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Executive Session (None Scheduled as of the Date of this Notice)

II. TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2026:

- a) 9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Work Session with Public Health
- b) *11:30 a.m. Pledge of Allegiance
- c) *11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Board of County Commissioners:
 - 1. Public Comment Period
 - 2. County and Individual Success Stories
 - 3. Miscellaneous (announcements, letters, etc.)
- d) 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Superior Court Judge Mary K. Crandall Investiture (Skagit County Superior Court, 205 West Kincaid Street, Mount Vernon)

III. THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2026:

- a) 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Commissioners Briefing
- b) *4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Swearing-In Ceremony of Joe Burns for the Office of Skagit County Commissioner District 3

IV. FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2026:

- a) 8:00 a.m. Leadership Skagit Challenge Day – Communicating as a Leader (Celtic Arts Foundation, 1124 Cleveland Avenue, Mount Vernon)
- b) 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC) Virtual Legislative Update hosted by WSAC

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c) •1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Social Event – Retirement Celebration for Prevention and Community Health Manager Jennifer Sass-Walton (Public Health, 301 Valley Mall Way, Suite 110, Mount Vernon)

FUTURE BID OPENING:

Tuesday, January 20, 2026, 11:45 a.m. Procurement of Maintenance Materials (Liquid Asphalt, Mixed Asphalt, Gravel, and Rock Products) with Annual Purchases Expected to Exceed \$25,000

FUTURE PUBLIC HEARING:

Monday, January 26, 2026, 1:00 p.m. To Consider Testimony Regarding an Intent to Lease Approximately 1,578 square feet of a County-owned Building Identified as 508 South 2nd Street, Suite 101 in Mount Vernon, Commonly known as the GTE Telephone Building

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP):

Thursday, February 19, 2026, 2:00 p.m. Jail Food Services and Commissary Provider

NOTE: ALL TIMES ARE ESTIMATES TO ASSIST IN SCHEDULING AND MAY BE CHANGED SUBJECT TO THE BUSINESS OF THE DAY AT THE BOARD'S DISCRETION

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1. CONSENT AGENDA FOR MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2026 (items 1 through 17):

a) COMMISSIONERS:

1. Record of the Proceedings for Monday, January 5, 2026.
2. Record of the Proceedings for Tuesday, January 6, 2026.
3. Record of the Proceedings for Wednesday, January 7, 2026.

b) ASSIGNED COUNSEL:

4. Personal Services Agreement with the Law Office of Parker Palmer to provide indigent defense representation to defendants referred by the Office of Assigned Counsel, Skagit County Superior Court, Juvenile Court, and District Court who have been deemed conflict of interest for the Skagit County Public Defender's Office. Compensation shall not exceed \$150,000 and is based on a rate schedule. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue until December 31 2026.

c) BUDGET AND FINANCE:

5. Funding Agreement with Anacortes Arts Festival to award \$7,000 of Lodging Tax funds to support marketing and advertising for the Nautical Treasure Hunt as authorized by Resolution No. R20250246. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue until December 31, 2026.
6. Funding Agreement with Anacortes Arts Festival to award \$5,000 of Lodging Tax funds to support marketing and advertising for the Tulip Festival Art Exhibition as authorized by Resolution No. R20250246. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue until December 31, 2026.
7. Funding Agreement with Anacortes Arts Festival to award \$5,000 of Lodging Tax funds to support marketing and advertising as authorized by Resolution No. R20250246. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue until December 31, 2026.
8. Funding Agreement with Children's Museum of Skagit County to award \$10,000 of Lodging Tax funds to support marketing and advertising as authorized by Resolution No. R20250246. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue until December 31, 2026.

d) HUMAN RESOURCES:

9. Memorandum of Agreement with the Skagit County Corrections Deputy Guild regarding Harborview Medical Center work assignments.
10. Resolution establishing the 2026 employee retirement and resignation incentive program.

e) PARKS AND RECREATION:

11. Amendment No. 2 to Funding Agreement No. C20230003 with Skagit Land Trust to secure additional lands through easements or acquisitions to expand open space corridors on Fidalgo Island for the "Fidalgo Open Space Corridors" project. This Amendment increases compensation by \$13,000 for additional expenses in securing property interests. Total compensation shall not exceed \$38,000. The term remains the same and shall continue until December 31, 2026. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement and prior Amendment shall remain in effect.

f) PUBLIC HEALTH:

12. Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with the Town of Concrete to facilitate a Community Services Program and provide congregate and home-delivered meals to the Concrete community. Compensation to Skagit County shall not exceed \$4,683. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026, and continue until June 30, 2026.
13. Resolution authorizing Chair Ron Wesen to electronically sign the submission of Amendment No. 10 to Consolidated Contract No. C20240672 with Washington State Department of Health (DOH Contract No. CLH32065) to amend Statements of Work to certain programs and increase funding.
14. Amendment No. 10 to Consolidated Contract No. C20240672 with Washington State Department of Health (DOH Contract No. CLH32065) for the delivery of public health services in Skagit County. This Amendment amends Statements of Work to certain programs and increases funding from \$7,713,414 to an amount not to exceed \$7,863,697. The term remains the same and shall continue until December 31, 2027. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement and prior Amendments shall remain in effect.

15. Amendment No. 1 to Personal Services Agreement No. C20250395 with Helping Hands Food Bank of Skagit Valley to provide diversion services to households who qualify for homeless services but can be diverted away from shelter and the homeless services system with immediate financial assistance. This Amendment reflects the transfer title of a County-owned 2015 Chevy StarTrans Senator vehicle, valued at approximately \$8,500 to Helping Hands Food Bank. Compensation remains the same and shall not exceed \$73,908, which is based on a reimbursement for services basis. The term remains the same and shall continue until June 30, 2026. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect.

g) **PUBLIC WORKS:**

16. Amendment No. 3 to Personal Services Agreement No. C20230241 with Herrera Environmental Consultants to develop a plan that brings the Transfer Station located at 14158 Ovenell Road, Mount Vernon into compliance with the Industrial Stormwater General Permit. This Amendment revises the Scope of Work to reflect additional tasks and extends the term to December 31, 2026. Compensation remains the same and shall not exceed \$260,000. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement and prior Amendments shall remain in effect.
17. Amendment No. 1 to Local Agency A&E Professional Services Negotiated Hourly Rate Consultant Agreement No. C20250530 with David Evans and Associates, Inc. to provide consultant services and preparation of an alternatives analysis report identifying feasible repair options and recommending a preferred method of repair for the Fonk Road Culvert Repair Project. This Amendment updates and supersedes Task 6 of the original Scope of Work to maintain scope consistency. Compensation remains the same and shall not exceed \$282,562. The term remains the same and shall continue until December 31, 2026. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect.