

SKAGIT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA

Meetings are held at 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon unless noted otherwise. Access for some meetings provided [through Zoom](#) or 1 (253) 215-8782 #871 8000 1980

Public comments prior to final action per RCW 42.30.20(4) must relate to the specific agenda item.

I. MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026:

- a) 8:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Briefing - Public Works and Department of Emergency Management
- b) 9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Briefing - Planning and Development Services
- c) *1:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance
- d) *1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Consent Agenda, Vouchers, Warrants and Miscellaneous Items
 - 1. Public Comment (Specifically related to the agenda item)
- e) 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Work Session - Human Resources
- f) 2:45 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Executive Session (Potential Litigation - RCW 42.30.110(1)(i))
 - 1. Call Public Meeting to Order
 - 2. Executive Session
 - 3. Reconvene Public Meeting for the sole purpose of Adjournment
- g) 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Executive Session (Potential Litigation - RCW 42.30.110(1)(i))
 - 1. Call Public Meeting to Order
 - 2. Executive Session
 - 3. Reconvene Public Meeting for the sole purpose of Adjournment
- h) 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Executive Session (Potential Litigation - RCW 42.30.110(1)(i))
 - 1. Call Public Meeting to Order
 - 2. Executive Session
 - 3. Reconvene Public Meeting for the sole purpose of Adjournment

II. TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2026:

- a) *9:00 a.m. Pledge of Allegiance
- b) *9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Parks, Recreation, and Fair - Brian Adams, Director:
 - 1. Yudwasta Big Rock Park Commemoration
 - 2. Miscellaneous
- c) 10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Briefing - Public Defender and Office of Assigned Counsel
- d) *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.)
- e) 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Special Joint Meeting with Cities of Anacortes, Burlington, Mount Vernon and Sedro-Woolley Regarding North Star (Public Health, Chinook Conference Room, 301 Valley Mall Way, Suite 110, Mount Vernon)

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III. WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2026:

- a) 9:00 a.m. Skagit Council of Governments (SCOG) - Transportation Policy Board Meeting (Burlington City Council Chambers, 833 South Spruce Street, Burlington with remote option hosted by SCOG)
- b) 9:30 a.m. Skagit Council of Governments (SCOG) Growth Management Act Steering Committee (GMASC) Meeting (Burlington City Council Chambers, 833 South Spruce Street, Burlington with remote option hosted by SCOG)
- c) 11:00 a.m. Skagit Transit (SKAT) Board of Directors Meeting (Burlington City Council Chambers, 833 South Spruce Street, Burlington with remote option hosted by SKAT)

IV. THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2026:

- a) 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. San Juan County, Whatcom County, Island County, Snohomish County, and Skagit County (SWISS) Quarterly Meeting hosted by Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC)
- b) 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Commissioners Briefing
- c) •5:00 p.m. Social Event - Community Action of Skagit County Annual Spirit of Hope Fundraising Event (Swinomish Casino and Resort, 12885 Casino Drive, Anacortes)

V. FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2026:

- a) •1:30 p.m. Social Event - City of Sedro-Woolley Ribbon Cutting Event for Olmstead Park (1451 North Fruitdale Road, Sedro-Woolley)
- b) •3:00 p.m. Social Event - Stabilization, Treatment, and Recovery (STAR) Center Ribbon Cutting Event (STAR Center, 1420 State Route 20, Sedro-Woolley)

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026:

BID OPENING (Clerk of the Board and Public Works Staff)

*11:45 a.m. (or soon thereafter)

2026 M/V Guemes Pierside Maintenance Project #FEHO26-1

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

Sessions marked with an asterisk * will be televised live on Comcast Channel 21, WAVE cable channel 21 (La Conner and surrounding areas,) and in Anacortes on Comcast channel 26 and streamed online live at www.skagitcounty.net/skagit21. Recorded meetings are re-broadcast daily at 3:00, 6:00, 9:00, 12:00 am and pm and can also be viewed ON DEMAND online at www.skagitcounty.net/Skagit21. •Social event – This is a social event only and no county business or action will be taken at this event.

1. CONSENT AGENDA FOR MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026 (items 1 through 22):

a) COMMISSIONERS:

1. Record of the Proceedings for Monday, March 9, 2026.
2. Record of the Proceedings for Tuesday, March 10, 2026.
3. Record of the Proceedings for Friday, March 13, 2026.
4. Resolution to appoint Marlena White to the Upper Skagit Library District Board of Trustees. Marlena White's term shall be effective on March 16, 2026, and shall expire on December 31, 2029.
5. Resolution to reappoint Stephanie Parsons to the Upper Skagit Library District Board of Trustees. Stephanie Parsons' term shall be effective January 1, 2026, and shall expire on December 31, 2030.

b) AUDITOR:

6. Personal Services Agreement with Dowell Consulting, PLLC for support in the preparation of Skagit County's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for FY2025. Compensation is based on an hourly rate schedule and shall not exceed \$25,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 18, 2026, and shall continue until December 31, 2026.
7. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with North Sound Accountable Community of Health (ACH) for collaboration with external agencies for the translation of voting materials. North Sound ACH will reimburse the Auditor's Office/Elections Department for expenses incurred. Compensation shall not exceed \$75,000. The MOU is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026, and shall continue until December 31, 2028.

c) BUDGET AND FINANCE:

8. Resolution to call for a public hearing to consider testimony regarding amending the 2026 Skagit County Budget. The public hearing is scheduled to take place on Monday, March 30, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible in the Skagit County Commissioners Hearing Room located at 1800 Continental in Mount Vernon. Attendance will be in-person, by phone: 1 (253) 215-8782 Meeting ID: 871 8000 1980, or remote at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87180001980?pwd=eEVGUGkxZ3NkQkhYSnhBMEo2RTQrdz09>.

d) FACILITIES MANAGEMENT:

9. Resolution to call for a public hearing to consider testimony regarding the final project performance related to tenant improvements at the Concrete Community Center located at 45821 Railroad Street in Concrete. The public hearing is scheduled to take place on Monday, March 30, 2026, at 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible in the Skagit County Commissioners Hearing Room located at 1800 Continental in Mount Vernon. Attendance will be in-person, by phone: 1 (253) 215-8782 Meeting ID: 871 8000 1980, or remote at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87180001980?pwd=eEVGUGkxZ3NkQkhYSnhBMEo2RTQrdz09>.

e) PARKS, RECREATION AND FAIR:

10. Notice of Land Trust Participation and Funding Restriction Agreement between Skagit County (Grantor) and Skagit Land Trust (Grantee) to ensure that the conditions outlined in the Deed of Right (Skagit Contract No. C20260061) with the State of Washington, through the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) and Recreation and Conservation Funding Board, to use the land for public outdoor recreation purposes for the Big Rock Park Acquisition, RCO Project No. 24-1350, are met. The Deed of Right is for the Yudwasta (Of the Heart) Skagit Land Trust property identified by parcel numbers P27651, P27655, P27660, and P27661. The Agreement will continue in perpetuity.

f) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES:

11. Personal Services Agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. to provide consultant services for Skagit County's Clean Energy Grant and assist with meeting grant requirements. Compensation is funded through Agreement No. C20260057 with Washington State Department of Commerce and shall not exceed \$515,000 and is based on a task schedule. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until June 30, 2027.
12. Personal Services Agreement with PDSA Consulting to provide facilitation services for Skagit County's Clean Energy Grant and assist with community engagement and meeting management. Compensation is funded through Agreement No. C20260057 with Washington State Department of Commerce and shall not exceed \$70,000. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until June 30, 2027.
13. Amendment No. 1 to Professional Services Agreement No. C20250255 with Gray & Osborne Inc. to provide engineering services for the Edison Clean Water District Subarea UV Disinfection System Improvements. This Amendment extends the term of the Agreement from April 30, 2026, to September 30, 2027. Compensation

remains the same and shall not exceed \$118,900 and is funded through Interlocal Agreement No. C20240330 with Washington State Department of Health. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect.

g) PUBLIC WORKS:

14. Amendment No. 1 to Personal Services Agreement No. C20240679 with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. to provide Guemes Ferry Design Services Support, including Ferry System Planning and Facility Design, Marina and Coastal Engineering, and Marine Engineering, on an as-needed, task-order basis for capital projects that are not federally funded. This Amendment increases compensation by an additional \$100,000, for a new total compensation amount not to exceed \$300,000. The term remains the same and commenced for an initial period of two (2) years on December 16, 2024, with the option to extend for an additional two (2) years. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect.
15. Personal Services Agreement with Urban SDK, LLC to provide comprehensive speed, congestion, and volume data for every roadway in Skagit County. Compensation is based on rate schedule and shall not exceed \$25,000. The Agreement shall commence on the date of mutual execution and continue for one year.
16. Amendment No. 2 to Escrow Agreement No. C20200725 with U.S. Bank National Association to establish an escrow account to serve as the account for the Whitmarsh Landfill Settlement (Contract No. C20200013) funds from Shell Oil Company, Texaco, and the State of Washington Department of Natural Resources to be used to pay for the remediation of the Whitmarsh Landfill Site located in Anacortes. This Amendment updates Schedule A to revise the annual fee from \$1,650 to \$1,900 and updates the authorized signers in Section 6. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement and prior Amendment shall remain in effect.
17. Personal Services Agreement with River Oaks Communications Corporation to provide consulting assistance services in the negotiation and drafting of a telecommunications franchise agreement with Lumen (a/k/a Qwest and/or Centurylink). Compensation is based on an hourly rate schedule and shall not exceed \$5,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on February 19, 2026, and continue for one (1) year.
18. Personal Services Agreement with Cowling & Co., LLC dba Widener & Associates to assist with the completion of the required procedures and documentation for the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Emergency Relief (ER) Program funds for the December 2025 Flood Event. Compensation is based on a rate schedule and shall not exceed \$48,008.52. The Agreement is ratified to commence on December 20, 2025, and continue for an initial term of two (2) years with the option to extend for an additional two (2) year term.
19. Resolution initiating County Road Projects (CRP) and assigning CRP numbers.

h) SHERIFF:

20. Personal Services Agreement with Police Training Solutions, LLC to provide the Skagit County Sheriff's Office with training, management, and consultation services to review current practices, policies, procedures, and to create a five-year strategic training plan. Compensation is based on a rate schedule and shall not exceed \$30,000. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until December 31, 2026.
21. Resolution authorizing Skagit County Administrator Trisha Logue to approve the authentication required under Subsection 5 of the Criminal Justice Training Commission (CJTC) grant application on behalf of the Skagit County Board of Commissioners, related to the imposition a 0.1% Sales and Use Tax to fund certain public safety efforts.

i) SUPERIOR COURT:

22. Amendment No. 1 to Interagency Agreement No. IAA26788 (Skagit County Contract No. C20250349) with Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) to improve and support family and juvenile court operations as set forth in the Family and Juvenile Court Improvement Plan (FJCIP) pursuant to RCW 2.56.220-230. This Amendment decreases reimbursement to Skagit County by \$51,404.06 for the period from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, due to an FJCIP coordinator position vacancy that occurred in August 2025. The new compensation amount shall not exceed \$66,845.94. 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.

2. MISCELLANEOUS AGENDA (items 1 and 2):

a) PUBLIC HEALTH:

1. Personal Services Agreement with Community Action of Skagit County to provide administration of the Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) Program in Skagit County for individuals who have behavioral health

disorders. Compensation shall not exceed \$30,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026, and continue until December 31, 2026.

2. Resolution to call for a public hearing to consider testimony regarding the HOME Investment Partnerships Program's 2026 Annual Action Plan. The public hearing is scheduled to take place on Monday, April 27, 2026, at 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible in the Skagit County Commissioners Hearing Room located at 1800 Continental in Mount Vernon. Attendance will be in-person, by phone: 1 (253) 215-8782 Meeting ID: 871 8000 1980, or remote at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87180001980?pwd=eEVGUGkxZ3NkQkhYSnhBMEo2RTQrdz09>.