

RESOLUTION NO.

**CALL FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER TESTIMONY FOR AMENDING THE
GUEMES ISLAND FERRY RATE SCHEDULE AND FARE REVENUE TARGET
METHODOLOGY**

WHEREAS, Skagit County operates the Guemes Island vehicle and passenger ferry between Anacortes, Washington and Guemes Island, Washington; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Skagit County Commissioners (Board) desires to consider amending and/or superseding the current ferry fare schedule established per Skagit County Resolution #R20230152, in order to establish a revised Guemes Island Ferry fare structure; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to receive public comment regarding the recommended changes to the fare schedule including, but not limited to, higher fares to increase system revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the Board of Skagit County Commissioners shall hold a Public Hearing on December 20, 2024, at 1:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible to consider public comment regarding the above-described proposed revisions to the Guemes Island Ferry fare structure.

PASSED this 2 day of December, 2024.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Peter Browning, Chair

Lisa Janicki, Commissioner

Ron Wesen, Commissioner

Attest:

Amber Eys
Clerk of the Board

Approved as to Form: 11/25/24

[Signature]
Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Approved as to Content:

[Signature]
Department Head

**LEGAL NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing in the Commissioners Hearing Room, County Administration Building, 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon, WA, on Friday, December 20, 2024, at 1:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, for the purpose of considering public comment on the proposed 2025 Guemes Island Ferry fare schedule amending and/or superseding Skagit County Resolution Number R20230152, including, but not limited to, higher fares to increase system revenue.

Participation in the public hearing will be in person in the Commissioners Hearing Room or by computer, tablet or smartphone:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87180001980?pwd=eEVGUGkxZ3NkQkhYSnhBMEo2RTQrdz09> Call-In: 1 (253) 215-8782 Meeting ID: 871 8000 1980.

The public hearing will provide an opportunity to hear from Skagit County staff and for members of the public to provide public comment. A draft of the proposed rate schedule will be posted to the ferry webpage in advance of the public hearing:

<https://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/publicworksferry/main.htm>

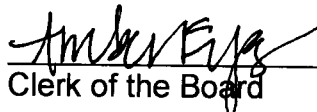
Public comment will close at the end of the public hearing on December 20, 2024.

Public comment can be submitted any time beforehand by email at ferrycomments@co.skagit.wa.us or by mail to 1800 Continental Place, Suite 100, Mount Vernon, WA 98273. The subject line shall read, "2025 Fare Proposal Comments" and the body of the email should contain the comments.

This proposal may be approved, modified, or rejected by the Board of Skagit County Commissioners. Your views for or against this matter are invited by attendance, representation, or letter. For questions regarding this proposal, please contact Ferry Division Manager, Captain Rachel Rowe at (360) 293-6433.

Skagit County ensures full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by prohibiting discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin or sex in the provision of benefits and services resulting from the federally assisted programs and activities. For questions regarding Skagit County's Title VI Program, you may contact the Public Works Department's Title VI Coordinator, Michael See, at (360) 416-1400.

Notice given by order of the Board of Skagit County Commissioners this 2 day of December 2024.


Clerk of the Board

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