



# Whatcom County

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## Agenda Bill Master Report

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### TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Resolution establishing the existing Whatcom County Ferry Advisory Committee as the Ferry Advisory Committee for the Ferry District [Council acting as the Whatcom County Ferry District Board of Supervisors]

### SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

See Memo

### HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

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<b>Date:</b>	<b>Acting Body:</b>	<b>Action:</b>	<b>Sent To:</b>
05/26/2026	Council Public Works & Health Committee	RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL	
		Aye: 7 Boyle, Buchanan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Rienstra, Scanlon, and Stremier	
		Nay: 0	
05/26/2026	Council	APPROVED	
		Aye: 7 Boyle, Buchanan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Rienstra, Scanlon, and Stremier	
		Nay: 0	

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**Attachments:** Staff Memo, Proposed Resolution

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-021**

**DESIGNATE THE WHATCOM COUNTY FERRY ADVISORY COMMITTEE AS THE  
INITIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE WHATCOM COUNTY FERRY DISTRICT  
(Council acting as the Whatcom County Ferry District Board of Supervisors)**

**WHEREAS**, The Lummi Island Ferry Advisory Committee was established in 2012;  
and

**WHEREAS**, The Lummi Island Ferry Advisory Committee membership requirements  
and name were amended in 2023 to be the Whatcom County Ferry Advisory Committee;  
and

**WHEREAS**, Engrossed House bill 2588/RCW 36.54 states the legislative authority  
shall promptly appoint a county ferry district advisory committee; and

**WHEREAS**, Engrossed House bill 2588/RCW 36.54 also states "If a county  
transitioning from a county-owned ferry system to a county ferry district has an existing,  
locally established ferry advisory committee, the governing body of the ferry district shall  
designate the existing committee to fulfill the requirements of this section."; and

**WHEREAS**, the Whatcom County Council has resolved to form a county ferry district  
pursuant to Engrossed House Bill 2588/RCW Chapter 36.54; and


**WHEREAS**, the current Whatcom County Ferry District Board of Supervisors  
(WCFDBS) is the Whatcom County Council; and

**WHEREAS**, Future amendments may be necessary to ensure full representation of  
the new county-wide ferry district.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Whatcom County Ferry District Board  
of Supervisors (WCFDBS) that the current existing Whatcom County Ferry Advisory  
Committee shall fulfill the duties of the Whatcom County Ferry District Advisory Committee  
until the membership requirements of the committee are amended to ensure representation  
of the new county-wide district.

**APPROVED** this 26th day of May, 2026


ATTEST

  
Cathy Halka, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Tom Sequine, approved by email 5/8/26  
Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor

WHATCOM COUNTY FERRY DISTRICT  
BOARD of SUPERVISORS (WCFDBS)  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
Kaylee Galloway, WCFDBS Chair