

## SKAGIT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA

Meetings are held at 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon unless noted otherwise  
Access for some meetings is provided [through Zoom](#) or by Telephone: 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, JANUARY 26, 2026:**

- a) 8:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Briefing – Public Works, Planning and Development Services, Public Health, Emergency Medical Services, and Parks, Recreation and Fair
- b) 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Briefing – Human Resources/Risk Management
- c) 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Legislative Update from Columbia Policy Advisors
- d) \*1:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance
- e) \*1:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. Facilities Management – Ken Hansen, Director:
  - 1. Public Hearing: To Consider Testimony Regarding the Intent to Lease Approximately 1,578 Square Feet of a County-Owned Building Identified as 508 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Suite 101 in Mount Vernon, commonly known as the GTE Telephone Building
  - 2. Miscellaneous
- f) \*1:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Public Comment/Possible Action: 2026 Committee Assignments
- g) \*1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Consent Agenda, Vouchers, Warrants and Miscellaneous Items:
  - 1. Public Comment (Specifically related to the agenda item)
- h) 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 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
- i) 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 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, JANUARY 27, 2026:**

- a) 8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. Work Session with Public Works
- b) \*9:30 a.m. Pledge of Allegiance
- c) \*9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Planning and Development Services – Jack Moore, Director:
  - 1. Discussion/Possible Action: Minor Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan Related to the Settlement of the Growth Management Hearings Board Appeal with Evergreen Islands to Remove Policy 7A-1.2
  - 2. Miscellaneous
- d) \*10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Washington State University Cooperative Extension Center Quarterly Update

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- e) \*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.)
- f) 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.      Board of Health Work Session with Public Health

**III. WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2026:**

- a) 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.      Guemes Island Virtual Community Meeting hosted by Skagit County Public Works

**IV. THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2026:**

- a) •1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.      Social Event – Retirement Celebration for Environmental Health Specialist Matt Kaufman (Public Health, 301 Valley Mall Way, Suite 110, Mount Vernon)

**V. FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 2026:**

- a) 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.      Skagit Transit – Review Class and Compensation Study (Skagit Transit Maintenance, Operations, and Administration Building, 600 County Shop Lane, Burlington)
- b) 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.      Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC) Virtual Legislative Update hosted by WSAC
- c) 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.      Commissioners Briefing

**VI. SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 2026:**

- a) •5:30 p.m.      Social Event – Mount Vernon Rotary Auction (St. Joseph Center, 215 North 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Mount Vernon)

**FUTURE BID OPENING:**

Monday, March 9, 2026, 1:15 p.m.      County Legal Printing for 2026 through 2027

**FUTURE PUBLIC HEARING:**

Tuesday, February 10, 2026, 8:30 a.m.      To Consider Testimony Regarding the Proposed Re-Establishment of Lake Management District No. 4 (Clear Lake and Beaver Lake)

**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**

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](http://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](http://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, JANUARY 26, 2026 (items 1 through 23):**

a) COMMISSIONERS:

1. Record of the Proceedings for Tuesday, January 20, 2026.
2. Record of the Proceedings for Friday, January 23, 2026.
3. Resolution to appoint Jan Robinson to the Skagit County Ferry Advisory Committee for Washington State. Jan Robinson's term shall expire on December 31, 2029.

b) BUDGET AND FINANCE:

4. Funding Agreement with Northwest Agriculture Business Center (NABC) to award \$23,000 of Lodging Tax funds to support marketing and advertising for the Skagit Farm Tours and Tasting as authorized by Resolution No. R20250246. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue until December 31, 2026.
5. Funding Agreement with Northwest Agriculture Business Center (NABC) to award \$33,000 of Lodging Tax funds to support marketing and advertising for the Skagit Farm to Pint Fest + Skagit Tidewater Boil as authorized by Resolution No. R20250246. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue until December 31, 2026.

c) FACILITIES MANAGEMENT:

6. Vendor Services Agreement with LSM Heating, Plumbing, Electric, Inc. to fabricate and install two sets of ADA Railing at the front exterior steps of the Skagit County Courthouse located at 205 West Kincaid Street in Mount Vernon. Total compensation shall not exceed \$10,646.08. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and shall not continue past December 31, 2026.

d) HUMAN RESOURCES:

7. Labor Agreement with the Skagit County Sheriff and Skagit County Sheriff's Office Staff Guild/Washington State Fraternal Order of Police effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

e) PARKS, RECREATION AND FAIR:

8. Personal Services Agreement with Pacific Surveying & Engineering, Inc. to prepare and assist with bid documents and construction management for the Hilt Creek Park Project. Compensation shall not exceed \$30,000 and is based on a fee schedule. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until December 31, 2026.
9. Resolution Amending the Skagit County Fairgrounds Advisory Board Bylaws.

f) PROSECUTING ATTORNEY:

10. Resolution to provide legal defense to Skagit County Clerk Melissa Beaton and Skagit County employee Rosanna Wadkins in a lawsuit filed under Case Number 26-cv-00104-SKV.
11. Resolution to provide legal defense to Skagit County District Court Commissioner Patrick Eason and Skagit County Auditor Sandra Perkins in a lawsuit filed under Case Number 26-cv-00103-SKV.

g) PUBLIC HEALTH:

12. Resolution to authorize Skagit County Behavioral Health 0.1% Sales Tax Fund Allocations for 2026.
13. Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with Eastern Washington University to maintain the Skagit Trends data indicator website, a project of the Population Health Trust, and other Responsibilities per paragraph two of the Agreement. Compensation shall not exceed \$9,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue through June 30, 2026.
14. Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with the City of Anacortes to provide nutrition programming at the Anacortes Senior Activity Center. The City will oversee and provide comprehensive programming and operational support to the Anacortes Senior Activity Center for all Senior Center programs and activities, other than those provided by the County as part of the nutrition program. The County will pay the City an amount not to exceed \$52,402. The City will pay the County an amount not to exceed \$22,634. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue through June 30, 2026.

15. Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with City of Burlington to provide funding for Skagit County to operate a senior services program at the Burlington Senior Center. Compensation to Skagit County shall not exceed \$7,816. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue through June 30, 2026.
16. Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with the Town of La Conner to provide funding for staffing and program supplies to operate a Senior Services Program. Compensation shall not exceed \$3,483. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue through June 30, 2026.
17. Amendment No. 4 to Contract No. C20250121 with Northwest Regional Council (Contract No. 281012-NUTR) to provide meals and nutritional support through Congregate and Home-Delivered Meals. This Amendment extends the term of the Agreement to June 30, 2026 and increases compensation by \$304,667. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement and prior Amendments shall remain in effect.

h) **PUBLIC WORKS:**

18. Resolution for the approval of contract provisions and plans and calling for bids for the Stevens Creek Fish Passage Improvement Project #ES07000-15. The bid opening is scheduled to take place on Monday, February 23, 2026, at 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible in the Skagit County Commissioners Hearing Room located at 1800 Continental Place in Mount Vernon. Attendance will be in-person, remote at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87180001980?pwd=eEVGUGkxZ3NkQkhYSnhBMEo2RTQrdz09> or by phone: 1 (253) 215-8782 Meeting ID: 871 8000 1980.
19. Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with the City of Mount Vernon for the County to provide reimbursable services to the City for the stormwater source control program intended to satisfy the requirements of the City's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Western Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit. Compensation to Skagit County shall not exceed \$50,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue until December 31, 2027.
20. Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with the City of Sedro-Woolley for the County to provide reimbursable services to the City for the stormwater source control program intended to satisfy the requirements of the City's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Western Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit. Compensation to Skagit County shall not exceed \$45,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue until December 31, 2027.
21. Vendor Services Agreement with Cherry Valley Logging, Co. to supply and deliver large woody debris that will be utilized in in-water habitat, restoration, and stormwater projects completed by Skagit County. Compensation shall not exceed \$49,956. The Agreement is ratified to commence on December 15, 2025 and shall continue for one year.
22. Vendor Services Agreement with Simply Yards Landscape and Design to provide landscaping maintenance services for the Guemes Ferry Parking Lot. Compensation shall not exceed \$7,692.16. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until November 1, 2026.
23. Amendment No. 1 to Personal Services Agreement No. C20250631 with Blake Vanfield to provide event facilitation and pre-meeting event work related to farmland succession and land access for Skagit County's Farmland Legacy Program. This Amendment changes the start date of the Agreement from the date of mutual execution to December 1, 2025. Compensation remains the same, shall not exceed \$21,000, and is based on a fee schedule. The Agreement will remain in effect until September 30, 2027. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect.

**2. MISCELLANEOUS AGENDA (items 1 through 5):**

a) **PROSECUTING ATTORNEY:**

1. Resolution to provide legal defense to Skagit County Commissioner Ronald Wesen, Skagit County Commissioner Peter Browning, and Skagit County employee Jack Moore in a lawsuit filed under Case Number 26-cv-00102-KKE.

b) **PUBLIC HEALTH:**

2. Personal Services Agreement with Community Action of Skagit County to process mileage reimbursement requests for Skagit Meals on Wheels volunteers. Compensation shall not exceed \$10,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue until June 30, 2026.
3. Subaward Agreement with Opportunity Council to provide Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) in Island County for qualifying low-income households. Compensation shall not exceed \$66,739.29 and is funded with Federal HOME Funding through the Skagit HOME Consortium. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue until December 31, 2027.

4. Personal Services Agreement with Community Action of Skagit County to provide management, staffing, and operations for the following programs: access to dental care, adult education, and the East County Resource Center. Compensation shall not exceed \$104,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue until December 31, 2026.
5. Personal Services Agreement with Community Action of Skagit County to manage and offer programming at the Concrete Community Center to provide meals and a place of connection as a community hub and outlet for a variety of activities and programs that meet community needs and interests. Compensation shall not exceed \$167,400. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026 and shall continue until December 31, 2026.