

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FRIDAY, JANUARY 8, 2021**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Friday, January 8, 2021, with Chair Lisa Janicki, Commissioner Peter Browning, and Commissioner Ron Wesen present.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Janicki called the telephonic proceedings to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chair Janicki led the virtual gallery in the salute to the flag.

III. AGENDA:

- a) *10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Community Justice Center Policy Discussion Group Meeting (Watch the meeting live on Skagit21 Television, streamed online at www.skagitcounty.net/Skagit21 or listen to the meeting by calling: 1 (669) 224-3412 Access Code: 946 084 165 or join by computer: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/946084165>).

Attendees:

City of Anacortes Mayor Laurie Gere
City of Anacortes Finance Director Steve Hoglund
City of Burlington Mayor Steve Sexton
City of Burlington Police Chief Mike Luvera
City of Burlington Attorney Leif Johnson
City of Burlington Finance Director Joe Stewart
City of Mount Vernon Mayor Jill Boudreau
City of Sedro-Woolley Mayor Julia Johnson
City of Sedro-Woolley Supervisor Doug Merriman
Town of Concrete Mayor Jason Miller
Town of La Conner representing Mayor Ramon Hayes, Scott Thomas
Skagit County Prosecuting Attorney Rich Weyrich
Skagit County Chair Lisa Janicki
Skagit County Commissioner Peter Browning
Skagit County Commissioner Ron Wesen
Skagit County Sheriff Don McDermott
Skagit County Chief of Corrections Don Marlow
Skagit County Administrator/Finance Director Trisha Logue
Financial Advisor Susan Musselman
Skagit County Jail Accountant Elizabeth Christensen

Signers (Policy Makers) to the Facility Use Agreements/Interlocal Include:

City of Anacortes Mayor Laurie Gere, City of Burlington Mayor Steve Sexton, City of Mount Vernon Mayor Jill Boudreau, City of Sedro-Woolley Mayor Julia Johnson, Town of Concrete Mayor Jason Miller, Town of Hamilton Mayor Carla Vandiver, Town of La Conner Mayor Ramon Hayes, Town of Lyman Mayor Eddie Hills, Skagit County Commissioners Lisa Janicki, Peter Browning, and Ron Wesen.

Chair Janicki welcomed the city and town signers to the Facility Use Agreement/Interlocal Agreement who were meeting as policy makers to discuss the financial situation of the Community Justice Center and Agreements.

Financial Advisor Susan Musselman provided background information included in the Interlocal Agreement regarding the impact of additional financial contributions and discussed the possibility of amending the Interlocal Agreement. She discussed the challenge of the current Interlocal Agreement language regarding Additional Financial Contributions; the wide difference between Actual Operating shortfalls and the defined term of the Jail Fund Revenue Stabilization Account (RSA) "RSA

Shortfalls". She noted that the RSA Shortfall showed the difference between the required \$3.9 million RSA balance and the projected RSA balance. Due to the defined calculation of the RSA Shortfalls, volatility in annual payments increased significantly.

A discussion ensued about maintaining the \$3.9 million RSA balance; the annual debt services; reducing the volatility in annual payments; amending the Interlocal Agreement to reflect actual or expected amounts of Additional Financial Consideration the partners would need to contribute; the population of the jail; the percentage of usage; reducing expenses, increasing revenues, how COVID-19 has impacted expenses and the timeframe for drafting amendments to the Interlocal Agreement.

Chair Janicki suggested that the group should meet on the 2nd Friday in March to provide an update.

Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 11:05 a.m.

Link to meeting materials:
<ftp://ftp.skagitcounty.net/countycommissioners/documents/agendapackets/01042021/>

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Janicki adjourned the proceedings at 11:05 a.m.

*Note, to obtain an audio or video recording of this meeting; please contact the Skagit County Commissioners' office.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Ron Wesen, Chair

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

Lisa Janicki, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board