# Northwest Regional Council - Regular (Remote) Meeting 10:00 AM December 10, 2020

## **Zoom Meeting**

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Phone: 253 215 8782

### **AGENDA**

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	Agenda Topic	Pages	Action Required
1.	Call to Order Public Comment		
2.	Consent Agenda All matters listed with the Consent Agenda have been distributed to estudy, are considered to be routine, and will be enacted by one motion with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, that its Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda by request of a Council Matter and the consent agenda by request of a Council Matter agenda.	n of the Nort em may be re	hwest Regional Council
	<ul> <li>a) Approval of the Minutes, July 23, 2020 Regular (Remote) Meeting</li> <li>b) Approval of June, July, August, September and October 2020 Disbursement Listings enclose</li> <li>c) 2020 Budget to Actual Report (January thru October)</li> <li>d) Cancellation of Warrants, Resolution #20-02</li> <li>e) Annual Internal Fiscal System Review</li> </ul>	1 - 3 ure & 4 - 8 9 - 16 17 - 18 19 - 25	Motion to Approve Motion to Approve Motion to Approve Motion to Approve Information
3.	Regular Agenda a) Reclassifications and Market Rate Salary Adjustments b) NWRC 2021 Budget, Resolution #20-03 (Previously Mailed) c) Proposed 2021 Meeting Schedule d) Legislative and Agency Updates	26 - 27 28 29 Verbal	Motion to Approve Motion to Approve Motion to Approve Information
4.	<ul> <li>Other Issues</li> <li>Executive Session – Executive Director Performance Pending Litigation</li> <li>County Information Sharing</li> </ul>	Verbal	Information

### 5. Announcements

# 6. Adjournment

# **Proposed Future NWRC Meetings**

April 22, 2021, July 22, 2021 and December 9, 2021

Location TBD

For more information, please contact the NWRC office at (360) 676-6749 or 1-800-585-6749, 600 Lakeway Drive, Bellingham, WA 98225.

# MINUTES OF THE NORTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL

**JULY 23, 2020** 

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**BOARD MEMBERS:** Island County Commissioner Helen Price Johnson, San Juan County

Councilmembers Jamie Stephens and Rick Hughes, Skagit County Commissioner Ron Wesen, Whatcom County Councilmember Carol

Frazey and Whatcom County Council Executive Satpal Sidhu

STAFF: Dan Murphy, Aly Horry, Amanda McDade, Cindy Madigan, Kristine

Glasgow, Melody Woodrich-Fernando, Pat Elwell, Ryan Blackwell,

PUBLIC: Barb Pesola, San Juan County, NWSSB Chair

The meeting was called to order at 10:AM.

There was no public comment.

### **Consent Agenda**

Approval of the Minutes, Regular Meeting April 23, 2020

Skagit County Commissioner Wesen moved and San Juan County Councilmember Hughes seconded to approve Consent Agenda (items 2a through 2e) as presented: Minutes of the April 23, 2020 Regular Meeting; November 2019 Voucher Listings Nos. 1096318 through Nos. 1096471 and 2002 to 2201 in the amount of \$1,698,241.98; December 2019 Expenditure Listings Nos. 2202 through 2426 in the amount of \$1,520,273,73; January 2020 Expenditure Listings Nos. 2427 through 2681 in the amount of \$1,553,100.83; February 2020 Expenditure Listings Nos. 2682 through 2905 in the amount of \$1,608,532.77; March 2020 Expenditure Listings Nos. 2906 through 3141 in the amount of \$1,519,146.93; April 2020 Expenditure Listings Nos. 3142 through 3357 in the amount of \$1,572,741.74; May 2020 Expenditure Listings Nos. 3358 through 3514 in the amount of \$1,363,892.01; the January through December 2019 Budget to Actual Report; and, Routine Contracts and Amendments. The Motion carried.

#### Regular Agenda

# a) NWRC COVID-19 Responses

Dan Murphy, Executive Director presented on NWRC's allocation of COVID-19 Older American's Act Emergency Funding to community partners; Skagit Community Action Volunteer Services, Opportunity Council Volunteer Services, Skagit Public Health, Whatcom Council on Aging, Island Senior Resources, San Juan Health and Community Resources. Allocations were based on input from providers and staff. Discussion followed.

### b) 2020 Supplemental Budget, Resolution #20-01

The 2020 Supplemental Budget was presented. Major changes from the 2020 budget were

highlighted and preparation for anticipated downturn due to pandemic were outlined. Discussion followed.

Island County Commissioner Price Johnson moved and San Juan County Councilmember Hughes seconded that the Northwest Regional Council hereby approves and adopts Resolution #20-01, Supplemental Budget #1. The Motion passed.

### c) COVID Related Postponement of Bid Process

With current providers focusing on navigating the COVID pandemic and to facilitate continuity of services during this crisis, NWRC proposes delaying by a year the bid process that would have occurred in 2020 for 2021 contracts. It was noted that the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) has indicated no issue with this delay. Discussion followed.

Whatcom County Executive Sidhu moved and Whatcom County Councilmember Frazey seconded that the Northwest Regional Council authorizes postponing the open bid process for grant-funded programs by one year, to be completed in time for 2022 contracts. Staff will negotiate contracts with current providers for 2021 using 2020 funding amounts. The Motion passed.

## d) NWLEARN Transition Plan

The NW LEARN Transition Plan was presented. Correction was noted for Transition Steps #3, that the date should be January 1, 2021, not January 1, 2020. Discussion followed.

Island County Commissioner Price Johnson moved and San Juan County Councilmember Hughes seconded that the Northwest Regional Council approves the transition plan to dissolve NW LEARN by December 2020, with the date correction of January 1 2021 for Transition Step 3. The Motion passed.

Due to technical difficulties Chair Stephens was experiencing, Vice-Chair Price-Johnson assumed chairing the meeting. Whatcom County Executive Sidhu excused himself to attend to another matter.

### e) County Contribution Request for 2021

The 2021 Contribution Request from member counties was presented. Discussion followed.

Whatcom County Councilmember Frazey moved and San Juan County Councilmember Hughes seconded that the Northwest Regional Council approves the submittal of requests for the presented amounts for fees and contributions to member counties for 2021. The Motion passed.

# f) Legislative and Agency Updates

Executive Director Murphy described steps agency staff are taking to address the pandemic and the effect the pandemic has had on various programs. A lengthy discussion

followed around impacts of the pandemic in service delivery in member counties.

San Juan County Councilmember Hughes moved and Whatcom County Councilmember Frazey seconded that NWRC draft a letter to be shared with local and state legislators stressing the importance of maintaining Long Term Care funding and Caregiver Support programs. Discussion followed. The Motion passed.

### Other Issues

<u>County Info Sharing</u> - Board members shared highlights of activities of import occurring within their community.

#### **Announcements**

There were no announcements.

Prepared and submitted by:

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:56 AM.

Patricia F	Flwell	HR/Office Manager	

We, the undersigned Northwest Regional Council, do hereby approve payments in the amount of \$1,421,948.26 this 10th day of December, 2020.

June 2020 Month of Expenditures	Dan Murphy Executive Director
Helen Price Johnson, Vice-Chair Island County Commissioner	Jill Johnson Island County Commissioner
Jamie Stephens, Chair	Rick Hughes
San Juan County Council Member	San Juan County Council Member
Lisa Janicki	Ron Wesen
Skagit County Commissioner	Skagit County Commissioner
Satpal Sidhu	Carol Frazey
Whatcom County Executive	Whatcom County Council Member

We, the undersigned Northwest Regional Council, do hereby approve payments in the amount of \$1,632,322.11 this 10th day of December, 2020.

July 2020	Dan Murphy
Month of Expenditures	Executive Director
Helen Price Johnson, Vice-Chair Island County Commissioner	Jill Johnson Island County Commissioner
Jamie Stephens, Chair San Juan County Council Member	Rick Hughes San Juan County Council Member
Lisa Janicki	Ron Wesen
Skagit County Commissioner	Skagit County Commissioner
Satpal Sidhu	Carol Frazey
Whatcom County Executive	Whatcom County Council Member

We, the undersigned Northwest Regional Council, do hereby approve payments in the amount of \$1,733,110.16 this 10th day of December, 2020.

August 2020 Month of Expenditures	Dan Murphy Executive Director
Helen Price Johnson, Vice-Chair Island County Commissioner	Jill Johnson Island County Commissioner
Jamie Stephens, Chair San Juan County Council Member	Rick Hughes San Juan County Council Member
Lisa Janicki Skagit County Commissioner	Ron Wesen Skagit County Commissioner
Satpal Sidhu Whatcom County Executive	Carol Frazey Whatcom County Council Member

We, the undersigned Northwest Regional Council, do hereby approve payments in the amount of \$1,723,269.24 this 10th day of December, 2020.

September 2020	Dan Murphy
Month of Expenditures	Executive Director
Helen Price Johnson, Vice-Chair Island County Commissioner	Jill Johnson Island County Commissioner
Jamie Stephens, Chair	Rick Hughes
San Juan County Council Member	San Juan County Council Member
Lisa Janicki	Ron Wesen
Skagit County Commissioner	Skagit County Commissioner
Satpal Sidhu	Carol Frazey
Whatcom County Executive	Whatcom County Council Member

We, the undersigned Northwest Regional Council, do hereby approve payments in the amount of \$1,728,730.74 this 10th day of December, 2020.

October 2020 Month of Expenditures	Dan Murphy Executive Director
Helen Price Johnson, Vice-Chair Island County Commissioner	Jill Johnson Island County Commissioner
Jamie Stephens, Chair San Juan County Council Member	Rick Hughes San Juan County Council Member
Lisa Janicki Skagit County Commissioner	Ron Wesen Skagit County Commissioner
Satpal Sidhu Whatcom County Executive	Carol Frazey Whatcom County Council Member



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TO: Northwest Regional Council

FROM: Dan Murphy, Executive Director

DATE: December 1, 2020

SUBJECT: January through October, 2020 Budget to Actual Report

We are pleased to present you with the Budget to Actual Reports for the period January through October 2020. Through that period we earned 79% of projected revenues with 83% of the year elapsed. Overall expenditures for the year were 78% of projections.

Please let me know if you have questions.

Proposed Motion: The Northwest Regional Council approves the January through October 2020 Budget to Actual Report.

An Association of County Governments Serving the People of Island, San Juan, Skagit and Whatcom Counties

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	NORTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL		TOTAL	
	BUDGET TO ACTUAL REPORT (ACCRUAL BASIS)	Revised	% of Year	83%
	JANUARY - OCTOBER 2020	Budget	Actual	% of Budget
Fundi	ing			
1	DSHS - ALTSA - TXIX Medicaid	4,260,880	3,561,512	84%
2	DSHS - ALTSA - All Other	4,825,247	3,773,459	78%
3	Disaster Relief Funding - COVID	666,680	337,271	51%
4	Health Care Authority	7,455,140	5,932,664	80%
5	Local Funds	125,228	121,291	97%
6	Other Contracted	3,116,524	2,524,203	81%
Subto	otal Current Year Funding	20,449,699	16,250,400	79%
7	Fund Balance Reserves	102,347	-	0%
Subto	otal Funding (including reserves)	20,552,046	16,250,400	79%
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8	Salaries & Wages Taxes & Benefits	6,889,800	5,613,280	81%
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	Personnel Office / Operating Complian	9,966,780	8,173,209	82%
10	Office/Operating Supplies	64,947	34,261	53%
11	Small Tools/Capital Equipment	69,164	51,820	75%
12	Professional Services	437,957	330,851	76%
13	Communication	203,480	139,892	69%
14	Travel	219,870	57,637	26%
15	Occupancy/Insurance	550,823	389,535	71%
16	Disaster Relief	225,799	129,033	57%
17	Miscellaneous	199,216	91,322	46%
Total	Operating Expenditures	1,971,256	1,224,351	62%
Total	Direct Service and Administration	11,938,036	9,397,560	79%
Subc	ontractor Expenditures			
18	I&A/Case Management/FCSP			
19	ISR/Island County	668,585	574,479	86%
20	San Juan County Senior Services	192,395	156,904	82%
21	Legal Services	54,072	46,508	86%
22	Nutrition		,	
23	ISR/Island County	250,195	221,892	89%
24	Skagit County	342,648	330,262	96%
25	WCOA/Whatcom and San Juan Counties	598,717	477,294	80%
26	Disaster Relief	440,882	208,238	47%
27	Volunteer Services	110,000		
28	ISR/Island County	31,858	34,052	107%
29	CASC/Skagit County	35,514	17,310	49%
30	Opportunity Council/Whatcom County	41,987	32,546	78%
31	Long Term Care Ombudsman Program	3,959	3,959	100%
32	Medicaid Transportation Brokerage		2,540,596	76%
33	Family Caregiver Support Project & Respite Services	3,360,000		
34	Dementia Partnerships Project	462,440	375,042	81%
	Kinship Caregivers Support Program/Kinship Navigator	64,385	8,655	13%
35		112,652	85,068	76%
36	Caregiver Training/Agency Workers Health Insurance	299,800	155,676	52%
37	Chronic Disease Self Management Program	4,000	2,000	50%
38	Health Homes	1,496,315	1,247,491	83%
I Otal	Subcontractor Expenditures	8,460,404	6,517,972	77%
39	Total Expenditures	20,398,440	15,915,532	78%

	NORTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL	Con	nmunity Progra	ms
	BUDGET TO ACTUAL REPORT (ACCRUAL BASIS)	Revised	% of Year	83%
	JANUARY - OCTOBER 2020	Budget	Actual	% of Budget
Fundi	ing			
1	DSHS - ALTSA - TXIX Medicaid	159,000	95,494	60%
2	DSHS - ALTSA - All Other	2,370,419	1,934,129	82%
3	Disaster Relief Funding - COVID			
4	Health Care Authority			
5	Local Funds			
6	Other Contracted	82,404	66,160	80%
Subto	otal Current Year Funding	2,611,823	2,095,783	80%
7	Fund Balance Reserves	-	,,	
Subto	otal Funding (including reserves)	2,611,823	2,095,783	80%
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8	Salaries & Wages	900,769	711,191	79%
9	Taxes & Benefits	416,087	339,869	82%
	Personnel	1,316,856	1,051,060	80%
10	Office/Operating Supplies	6,161	3,931	64%
11	Small Tools/Capital Equipment	4,844	770	16%
12	Professional Services	3,510	1,514	43%
13	Communication	40,682	26,045	64%
14	Travel	18,871	8,052	43%
15	Occupancy/Insurance	104,415	72,549	69%
16	Disaster Relief	-		
17	Miscellaneous	23,172	9,597	41%
Total	Operating Expenditures	201,655	122,458	61%
Total	Direct Service and Administration	1,518,511	1,173,518	77%
Subc	ontractor Expenditures			
18	I&A/Case Management/FCSP			
19	ISR/Island County	243.092	231,300	95%
20	San Juan County Senior Services	192,395	156,904	82%
21	Legal Services	192,393	130,304	02 /0
22	Nutrition			
23	ISR/Island County			
24	Skagit County			
	WCOA/Whatcom and San Juan Counties			
25 26	Disaster Relief			
27	Volunteer Services			
28	ISR/Island County			
29	CASC/Skagit County			
30	Opportunity Council/Whatcom County			
31	Long Term Care Ombudsman Program			
32	Medicaid Transportation Brokerage			
33	Family Caregiver Support Project & Respite Services	462,440	375,042	81%
34	Dementia Partnerships Project	64,385	8,655	13%
35	Kinship Caregivers Support Program/Kinship Navigator			
36	Caregiver Training/Agency Workers Health Insurance			
37	Chronic Disease Self Management Program			
38	Health Homes			
Total	Subcontractor Expenditures	962,312	771,901	80%
39	Total Expenditures	2,480,823	1,945,419	78%
40	Difference Between Revenue and Expenditures	131,000	150,364	

	NORTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL	Care Management		
	BUDGET TO ACTUAL REPORT (ACCRUAL BASIS)	Revised	% of Year	83%
	JANUARY - OCTOBER 2020	Budget	Actual	% of Budget
Fund	ing			
1	DSHS - ALTSA - TXIX Medicaid	3,721,422	3,153,170	85%
2	DSHS - ALTSA - All Other	175,434	74,611	43%
3	Disaster Relief Funding - COVID			
4	Health Care Authority	1,577,805	1,330,371	84%
5	Local Funds			
6	Other Contracted	999,017	766,556	77%
Subto	otal Current Year Funding	6,473,678	5,324,708	82%
7	Fund Balance Reserves	28,099		0%
Subto	otal Funding (including reserves)	6,501,777	5,324,708	82%
Opera	ating Expenditures			
8	Salaries & Wages	3,566,884	2,918,770	82%
9	Taxes & Benefits	1,586,883	1,294,081	82%
	Personnel	5,153,767	4,212,851	82%
10	Office/Operating Supplies	31,471	17,558	56%
11	Small Tools/Capital Equipment	44,641	39,530	89%
12	Professional Services			55%
13	Communication	171,910	94,164	
14	Travel	112,382	69,012	61%
		152,443	34,248	22%
15	Occupancy/Insurance	340,284	236,384	69%
16	Disaster Relief	-		
17	Miscellaneous	69,386	33,853	49%
	Operating Expenditures	922,517	524,749	57%
I otal	Direct Service and Administration	6,076,284	4,737,600	78%
	ontractor Expenditures			
18	I&A/Case Management/FCSP			
19	ISR/Island County	425,493	343,179	81%
20	San Juan County Senior Services			
21	Legal Services			
22	Nutrition			
23	ISR/Island County			
24	Skagit County			
25	WCOA/Whatcom and San Juan Counties			
26	Disaster Relief			
27	Volunteer Services			
28	ISR/Island County			
29	CASC/Skagit County			
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37	Health Homes			
38	Health Homes Subcontractor Expenditures	425 403	3 <u>/</u> 13 170	Q10/
38	Health Homes Subcontractor Expenditures Total Expenditures	425,493 <b>6,501,777</b>	343,179 <b>5,080,779</b>	81% <b>78%</b>

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2,279,394	1,764,718	77%
1,605,335	1,281,491	80%
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616,864	474,978	77%
251,794	211,294	84%
868,658	686,272	79%
8,532	4,472	52%
7,110	4,708	66%
28,275	7,483	26%
17,327	7,951	46%
27,935	6,675	24%
38,443	32,795	85%
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34,583	12,903	37%
162,205	76,987	47%
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3,271,718	2,654,058	81%
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	9,600	4,643	48%
	9,250	5,121	55%
Professional Services Communication	46,475	16,731	36%
	20,475	32,184	157%
Travel "	3,575	2,265	63%
Occupancy/Insurance	39,615	30,920	78%
Disaster Relief	-		
Miscellaneous	10,868	7,897	73%
perating Expenditures	139,858	99,761	71%
rect Service and Administration	1,027,864	878,400	85%
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	NORTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL	Jail Health Program				
	BUDGET TO ACTUAL REPORT (ACCRUAL BASIS)	Revised	% of Year	83%		
	JANUARY - OCTOBER 2020	Budget	Actual	% of Budget		
Fundi	,					
1	DSHS - ALTSA - TXIX Medicaid					
2	DSHS - ALTSA - All Other					
3	Disaster Relief Funding - COVID					
4	Health Care Authority					
5	Local Funds					
6	Other Contracted	1,456,501	1,163,934	80%		
Subto	otal Current Year Funding	1,456,501	1,163,934	80%		
7	Fund Balance Reserves	19,500		0%		
Subto	otal Funding (including reserves)	1,476,001	1,163,934	79%		
Opera	ating Expenditures					
. 8	Salaries & Wages	979,350	804,710	82%		
9	Taxes & Benefits	441,317	386,159	88%		
	Personnel	1,420,667	1,190,869	84%		
10	Office/Operating Supplies	3,576	2,391	67%		
11	Small Tools/Capital Equipment	2,313	832	36%		
12	Professional Services			39%		
13	Communication	22,029	8,687			
14	Travel	6,474	2,032	31%		
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15	Occupancy/Insurance	9,733	4,837	50%		
16	Disaster Relief	-				
17	Miscellaneous	4,019	4,014	100%		
	Operating Expenditures	55,334	25,643	46%		
Total	Direct Service and Administration	1,476,001	1,216,512	82%		
Subco	ontractor Expenditures					
18	I&A/Case Management/FCSP					
19	ISR/Island County					
20	San Juan County Senior Services					
21	Legal Services					
22	Nutrition					
23	ISR/Island County					
24	Skagit County					
25	WCOA/Whatcom and San Juan Counties					
26	Disaster Relief					
27	Volunteer Services					
28	ISR/Island County					
29	CASC/Skagit County					
30	Opportunity Council/Whatcom County					
31	Long Term Care Ombudsman Program					
32	Medicaid Transportation Brokerage					
33	Family Caregiver Support Project & Respite Services					
34	Dementia Partnerships Project					
35	Kinship Caregivers Support Program/Kinship Navigator					
36	Caregiver Training/Agency Workers Health Insurance					
	Chronic Disease Self Management Program					
37 38	Health Homes					
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	Subcontractor Expanditures					
	Subcontractor Expenditures  Total Expenditures	1,476,001	1,216,512	82%		

	NORTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL	Other NWRC Activities				
	BUDGET TO ACTUAL REPORT (ACCRUAL BASIS)	Revised	% of Year	83%		
	JANUARY - OCTOBER 2020	Budget	Actual	% of Budget		
Fundi	ing					
1	DSHS - ALTSA - TXIX Medicaid					
2	DSHS - ALTSA - All Other					
3	Disaster Relief Funding - COVID	666,680	337,271	51%		
4	Health Care Authority					
5	Local Funds	9,364	121,291	1295%		
6	Other Contracted	518,602	467,554	90%		
Subto	otal Current Year Funding	1,194,646	926,116	78%		
7	Fund Balance Reserves	54,748		0%		
Subto	otal Funding (including reserves)	1,249,394	926,116	74%		
Opera	ating Expenditures					
. 8	Salaries & Wages	221,142	170,422	77%		
9	Taxes & Benefits	97,684	83,096	85%		
Total	Personnel	318,826	253,518	80%		
10	Office/Operating Supplies	5,607	1,266	23%		
11	Small Tools/Capital Equipment	1,006	859	85%		
12	Professional Services	165,758	202.272	122%		
13	Communication		- ,	43%		
14	Travel	6,140	2,668			
15	Occupancy/Insurance	9,856	3,547	36%		
16	Disaster Relief	18,333	12,050	66%		
		225,799	129,033	57%		
17	Miscellaneous	57,188	23,058	40%		
	Operating Expenditures	489,687	374,753	77%		
ıotaı	Direct Service and Administration	808,513	628,271	78%		
	ontractor Expenditures					
18	I&A/Case Management/FCSP					
19	ISR/Island County					
20	San Juan County Senior Services					
21	Legal Services					
22	Nutrition					
23	ISR/Island County					
24	Skagit County					
25	WCOA/Whatcom and San Juan Counties					
26	Disaster Relief	440,881	208,238	47%		
27	Volunteer Services					
28	ISR/Island County					
29	CASC/Skagit County					
30	Opportunity Council/Whatcom County					
31	Long Term Care Ombudsman Program					
32	Medicaid Transportation Brokerage					
33	Family Caregiver Support Project & Respite Services					
34	Dementia Partnerships Project					
35	Kinship Caregivers Support Program/Kinship Navigator					
36	Caregiver Training/Agency Workers Health Insurance					
37	Chronic Disease Self Management Program					
38	Health Homes					
	Subcontractor Expenditures	440,881	208,238			
39	Total Expenditures	1,249,394	836,509	67%		
	Difference Between Revenue and Expenditures	1,473,334	89,607	077		

### NORTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL **RESOLUTION NO. 20-02**

### ORDERING THE CANCELLATION OF WARRANTS MORE THAN A YEAR OLD

WHEREAS, the Revised Code of Washington, Section 36.22.100, states the County legislative authority shall cancel county warrants not presented within one year of the date of their issue; and

**WHEREAS**, the County's Administrative Services Department has provided a list of warrants that were issued prior to July 1, 2019, but never presented;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Northwest Regional Council hereby cancel the warrants listed below.

Checks issue	d before July 1	, 2019)				
Fund	Check No.	Check Date	G/L Date	Explanation	Amount	
672	1063768	7/17/2018	7/17/2018	THOMAS E ASHTON	\$ (300.00)	
672	1079604	3/18/2019	3/18/2019	LARRY MASTERS	\$ (84.00)	
672	1081031	4/8/2019	4/8/2019	LARRY MASTERS	\$ (46.27)	
672	1069721	10/16/2018	10/16/2018	ANNA MARIE THOMAS	\$ (34.37)	
672	1082888	5/6/2019	5/6/2019	LARRY MASTERS	\$ (32.06)	
672	1075696	01/22/19	01/22/19	JACOB ARNOLD	\$ (27.45)	
672	1068048	9/25/2018	9/25/2018	FRIDAY HARBOR DRUG & GIFT	\$ (15.25)	
672	1064015	7/24/2018	7/24/2018	CHLOE CHOWNING	\$ (12.00)	
672	1062767	07/10/18	07/10/18	PUJA SHARMA	\$ (10.50)	
TOTAL NV	TOTAL NW REGIONAL COUNCIL WARRANTS TO BE CANCELLED \$(561.					

Helen Price Johnson, Vice-Chair Jill Johnson Island County Commissioner Island County Commissioner Rick Hughes Jamie Stephens, Chair San Juan County Council Member San Juan County Council Member Lisa Janicki Ron Wesen, Chair Skagit County Commissioner Skagit County Commissioner

APPROVED by the Northwest Regional Council this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020:

Satpal Sidhu County Executive, Whatcom County	Carol Frazey Whatcom County Council Member
ATTEST:	
Daniel Murphy, Executive Director Northwest Regional Council	



TO: Northwest Regional Council

FROM: Dan Murphy, Executive Director

DATE: December 1, 2020

SUBJECT: Annual Internal Fiscal System Review

As you are aware, NWRC has a long history of strong financial management. As part of our emphasis on quality we continually assesses our systems and update policies and procedures as necessary.

Each year we review our financial systems against guidance from the Washington State Auditor's Office. .

As you can see from the attached documents, NWRC continues to fare well against the SAO internal control checklist for local governments.

Please let me know if you have questions.

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# Washington State Auditor's Office

# Internal control checklist for local governments

This self-assessment checklist has been compiled to assist city/county managers, clerks, treasurers, and auditors to assess their own internal control environment for accounting and financial reporting and to provide guidance in placing controls where weaknesses are perceived. Your entity's system of internal controls includes all of the policies and procedures needed to provide reasonable assurance that your financial information is reliable, that operations within your office are effective and secure, and that you are complying with applicable laws and regulations.

Answer each of the questions by circling "Y" (Yes) or "N" (No) in response to each question.

After completing the questionnaire, scan down your answers in the "Response" column, noting whether they are aligned to the left or right side of the column. The questions that you have been able to answer on the left side indicate the internal control is in place. Your answers on the right side indicate an internal control weakness. This checklist should give you a good indicator of the number and type of internal controls that might need attention in your operation. Please give your auditor or the Washington State Auditor's Office (360) 902-0370 a call if you need assistance.

Gen	eral	Response	Comments
1.	Is management aware that internal control is their responsibility?	Y N	
2.	Does management show commitment to establishing and maintaining controls?	Y N	
3.	Does your entity have an organizational chart defining the activities and persons responsible for them?	Y N	
4.	Are the duties of officials and employees clearly defined and assisted?	Y N	
5.	Does management consistently exhibit high ethical and professional standards in its conduct, setting the standard for the entire organization?	Y N	
6.	Are personnel involved in accounting functions required to take an annual vacation?	Y N	
7.	Are accounting functions performed by other personnel during the vacation of primary accounting personnel?	Y N	
8.	Is other staff trained in the accounting functions to provide backup in the case of vacation or other absence of the primary bookkeeping employee(s)?		
9.	Is responsibility for accounting duties ever rotated among staff?	YN	

Gene	eral eral	Response	Comments
10.	Is a current, accurate and accessible policy and procedures manual in place, including an official code of conduct/ethics or an official set of policies governing employee conduct/ethics?	S Y N	
11.	Are the policies governing employee conduct communicated in an effective way to staff and reviewed with them periodically?	YN	
12.	Is confidential or sensitive material (e.g. payroll records and taxes) maintained separately from non-confidential records?	YN	
13.	Is insurance coverage reviewed periodically by qualified individuals to determine adequacy.	YN	
14.	Does the comprehensive liability policy include liability coverage for all officials and employees?	YN	
15.	Is a budget system (including monthly or quarterly budget reports) used by management for watching income and expenses?	YN	
16.	Are cash projections made and periodically compared by management to the operational accounting information?	YN	
17.	Do surety and/or performance bonds cover all employees/officials who handle the city's/county's funds?	s Y N	
18.	Are surety bonds of a sufficient amount, as prescribed and approved by the Council or Commission?	YN	
19.	Are authorizations for all bank accounts and check signers updated annually?	K Y N	updated throughout the year as changes occur
Fina	ncial Records	Response	Comments
20.	Do you have different staff responsible for a) authorizing a transaction, b) recording the transaction in the accounting records, and c) maintaining custody of the assets resulting from the transaction?	YN	
21.	Is an accounting system in use that allows management to record financial transactions, view the data by category, and create timely reports to maintain accountability for the government's assets?	Y N	
22.	Are detailed cash receipts journals maintained?	YN	
23.	Are detailed cash disbursement journals maintained?	YN	

Fina	ncial Records	Respon	se	Comments
24.	Are Council records (if separate records other than orders are kept) reconciled with the clerk/treasurer's records monthly?	Y	N	
25.	Are the general ledger and its subsidiary ledgers kept up to date and reconciled monthly?	Y	N	
26.	Is a chart of accounts used?	Y	Ν	
27.	Are records properly guarded from fire, theft and manipulation?	Y	N	locked file cabinets, not fire proof
28.	Is computerized data backed up daily and source documents retained until backup?	Y	N	
29.	Is a copy of electronic data properly stored offsite?	Y	N	
30.	Are all financial recording documents (receipts, purchase orders sequentially prenumbered, retained, and accounted for, including spoiled or voided forms?	Y	N	
31.	Are automatic duplicates of certain forms (receipt & purchase orders) provided to individuals (e.g. vendors, taxpayers, etc.)?	Y	N	
32.	Is the person who does the bank reconciliation different from the person authorized sign to checks and make deposits?	Y	N	
33.	Is the bank reconciliation procedure documented	? Y	N	
34.	Are bank statements reconciled monthly, preferably within 15 days after the statement date?	Y	N	
35.	Does a responsible official, other than the preparer, review completed bank reconciliations?	Y	N	
36.	Is the completed bank reconciliation initialed and dated by both the preparer and the reviewer?	Y	N	
37.	Are the following monthly procedures currently performed:	Y	N	
	<ul> <li>Reconcile cash accounts?</li> </ul>	Υ	Ν	
	<ul> <li>Reconcile accounts receivable to the detail invoices?</li> </ul>	Y	N	
	<ul> <li>Reconcile payroll withholdings to the payroll reports?</li> </ul>	Y	N	
	<ul> <li>Reconcile accounts payable subsidiary ledger to actual invoices?</li> </ul>	Y	N	
	<ul> <li>Reconcile property tax receipts to the property tax receivables?</li> </ul>	Υ	N	Property tax not applicable to NWRC

Casl	n Receipts	Respor	ise	Comments
38.	Is receipt of currency (which include checks) adequately controlled until deposited or remitted to the treasurer (within 24 hours as required by state law)?	Y	N	Whatcom County Treasurer approved extension on file
39.	Is a copy kept of the treasurer's signed and dated endorsement of the tax collector's receipts, payments and any abatements?	Υ	N	not applicable to NWRC
40.	Have safeguards been provided to prevent officials or employees from cashing checks payable to the city/county?	Y	N	
41.	Are monies received by one employee, documented and then deposited by another employee?	Y	N	In the time of COVID, one employee may open mail, document and deposit funds. Compensating controls inc an email to fiscal staff and office manager documenting receipt of all checks and we no longer accept cash donations.
12.	Are all monies received by the city/county turned over intact daily to the person who makes the bank deposit?	Y	N	donations.
43.	Does the clerk/treasurer keep separate accounts of all money received as highway or school taxes?	Υ	N	not applicable to NWRC
44.	Is the person who handles cash (receipts, bank deposits, purchases) different from the person who keeps the cashbooks/accounting records?	Y	N	
45.	Are funds received over the counter controlled by sequentially numbered counter receipts?	Y	N	
Purc	:hasing	Respor	ıse	Comments
46.	Is Council/Commission or Manager approval:	Υ	N	
	a. Required for all purchases?	Y	Ν	
	b. Signed by a majority of the board and dated?	Y	Ν	
47.	Does the Council keep a book recording all pay orders (outstanding payables) that are not paid?	Y	N	
48.	Are the functions of purchasing goods, receipt of goods, and cash payment for goods performed by separate employees?		N	
49.	Are: Checks pre-numbered? Unused checks controlled? Check signature stamps secured and not	Y Y Y	N N N	

Purc	hasing	Response	Comments
50.	Are materials and supplies inspected for condition and counted when received?	Y N	
51.	Does invoice processing include a mathematical check of footings, extensions and discounts?	YN	
Cash	Disbursements	Response	Comments
52.	Are all cash disbursements, except petty cash items, made by check?	YN	Automated Clearing House (ACH) debits and direct deposits also used
53.	Are checks signed and immediately sent out but not returned to the check preparer to distribute?	YN	
54.	Are pre-numbered checks used?	YN	
55.	If checks are produced manually, is a controlled, mechanical check protector used?	Y N	All checks issued by NWRC are signed by an authorized employee
56.	Are checks produced on an automated financial system?	Y N	
57.	Is all investment activity by the clerk/treasurer approved by the Council/Commission and documented?	YN	Council has appointed a Fiscal Officer who approves all investment activity
58.	Is petty cash handled through a fixed amount account with limited purchases that are reviewed by another individual?	YN	
Prop	erty and Equipment	Response	Comments
59.	Are schedules of fixed assets and depreciation maintained?	YN	
60.	Are periodic inventories taken and compared with the schedules of fixed assets?	N Y	
61.	Is all property and equipment purchased or leased with city/county funds held in the name of the city/county?	d Y N	
62.	Are invoices maintained to support the purchase or lease of equipment?	YN	
Note	es and Investments	Response	Comments
63.	Are schedules maintained of all borrowing and investing activities?	YN	

Grai	nd List and Tax Records	Respo	onse	Comments
64.	Is a system used (ideally a tax map) to be certain that all taxable property is included in the grand list?	Υ	N	not applicable - NWRC is not a taxing authority
65.	Are newly constructed or remodeled structures updated timely?	Υ	N	not applicable to NWRC
66.	Does the delinquent tax collector turn all receipts over to the clerk/treasurer so that the collector's fees can be entered into the city's/county's books as wages?	Υ	N	not applicable to NWRC
67.	Does the city/county have adequate follow-up policies with delinquent taxpayers?	Υ	N	not applicable to NWRC
68.	Does the entity maintain adequate records to support discounts or credits?	Υ	N	not applicable to NWRC
69.	Does someone other than the tax collector (delinquent or current) reconcile taxes?	Υ	N	not applicable to NWRC
Ente	rprise Funds (Water, Sewer, etc.)	Respo	onse	Comments
70.	Do accounting practices for enterprise funds follow guidelines listed above for all other city/county funds?	Υ	N	not applicable to NWRC
71.	Is the follow-up on delinquent accounts adequate?	Υ	Ν	not applicable to NWRC

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> Prepared by Cindy Madigan, Fiscal Director 11/30/2020 Reviewed by Dan Murphy, Executive Director 11/30/2020



November 30, 2020

TO: Northwest Regional Council

FROM: Dan Murphy, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Reclassifications and Market Based Salary Adjustment Recommendations

NWRC compensation policies allow for reclassification of positions when responsibilities increase or the position is not placed at the appropriate level on the NWRC classification scale: I recommend the following reclassifications:

- 1. Retitle and re-class a Health and Human Services Planner to Business Development Manager. Using our Care Management program as an example, seven years ago we had a single fund source, now we have ten. As another example, when we had to expand to Snohomish County to continue providing Health Home services we developed a contracted network of providers. While such changes increased the amount and quality of services we provide and solidified our finances, each new fund source comes with its own set of contractual and accountability requirements. To date, we have handled those changes by distributing management tasks across a number of positions. "Temporary" assignments have stretched to several years. I am in the process of centralizing much of that work in a single unit, hopefully with an additional staff position I proposed in the 2021 budget. That unit would be headed by an existing planning position with added responsibility to oversee NWRC's contract-related functions. Those additional responsibilities warrant reclassification of the position to the Manager level. This recommended change would increase the position's compensation by 8%.
- 2. Re-class the Senior Accountant (1 FTE) and Accounting Analyst (2 FTE) up one level each on the NWRC pay scale. As NWRC has added programming and tapped other funders, fiscal staff responsibilities and scope has grown. Rather than simply following established guidelines and process, all three staff now need to create new approaches to new needs. More initiative and independent decision making is required and the need has increased to monitor and support staff and contractors in identifying and resolving fiscal issues. The current classifications for those positions are from a time when those challenges were far less. This recommendation brings the pay for those positions into line with current expectations. It would increase the Accounting Analyst salaries by 12.5% and the Senior Accountant's by 8%.

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Another part of NWRC's compensation policy is to maintain market level salaries in order to recruit and retain qualified staff. In 2019, I asked our Human Resources Consultant, Kara Turner, to conduct a salary comparability study. She looked at the five other comparable Aging organizations on the I-5 corridor, DSHS, NorthSound BHO/ASO, and the Association of Washington Cities and Employment Security databases. Her analysis created a median market salary estimate for NWRC positions.

Last year the NWRC Governing Board approved market rate salary adjustments for a substantial number of NWRC positions that were the most behind the comparable median levels. However, the 2019 survey also showed that the positions on the lower third of the NWRC pay scale were approximately 6% below the comparable medians.

I recommend a six percent market rate adjustment, consistent with considerations of internal equity and salary scale compression, to Classifications 7, 8, and 9 of the NWRC salary scale. That adjusts the salaries for 39 FTE who are in the lowest paid positions at NWRC. The full list of the positions affected can be found in the revised salary scale included with the proposed 2021 NWRC budget you received in a separate mailing. The total cost is \$218,090 and is included in that proposed budget.

#### PROPOSED MOTION #1:

The Northwest Regional Council authorizes the reclassification of a Health and Human Service Planner to Business Development Manager, and the reclassification of the Senior Accountant and Accounting Analyst positions up one level each on the NWRC classification scale.

#### PROPOSED MOTION #2:

The Northwest Regional Council authorizes a 6% market rate salary adjustment for the positions in Classification Levels 7, 8, and 9, effective, January 1, 2020.

## RESOLUTION NO. 20-03 NORTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL BUDGET JANUARY 1, 2021 - DECEMBER 31, 2021

WHEREAS, the attached Budget for calendar year 2021 has been presented to the Northwest Regional Council for review; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Regional Council has reviewed said document and is in agreement with the funding and expenditure levels set forth in said document;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Northwest Regional Council does ordain as follows:

The Northwest Regional Council Budget for 2021 is hereby approved as presented. Included in the Budget is a 1.5% cost of living adjustment for all eligible Northwest Regional Council employees, effective January 1, 2021.

RESOLUTION NUMBER NO. 20-03, APPROVED THIS 10th DAY OF DECEMBER 2020.

NORTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL:

Jaimie Stephens, Chair San Juan County Council Member	Lisa Janicki Skagit County Commissioner
Helen Price Johnson, Vice-Chair Island County Commissioner	Jill Johnson Island County Commissioner
Ron Wesen, Skagit County Commissioner	Rick Hughes San Juan County Council Member
Satpal Sidhu County Executive, Whatcom County	Carol Frazey Whatcom County Council Member
ATTEST:	
Dan Murphy, Executive Director	



December 2, 2020

TO: Northwest Regional Council

FROM: Dan Murphy, Executive Director

RE: Proposed Meeting Schedule for 2021

### **Background**

NWRC routinely meets three times per year. Each of the meetings is on a Thursday, set in relation to important annual business timelines. If actions are needed between regular meetings, the NWRC Executive Committee can handle them, or a special meeting can be scheduled, in accordance with the NWRC Bylaws.

### **Proposed Schedule**

We propose the full NWRC board meet on:

- April 22,
- July 22, and
- December 9 of 2021.

PROPOSED MOTION: The Northwest Regional Council approves the proposed meeting schedule for 2021.

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