

BELLINGHAM HOUSING AUTHORITY
Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
August 18, 2026

The Board of Commissioners of Bellingham Housing Authority (“BHA”) held a regular meeting on Tuesday, August 18, 2026 in a hybrid format. The meeting was called to order at 1:40 p.m. by Board Chair Gockley, followed by roll call. Chair Gockley declared a quorum present and the meeting opened for business.

ROLL CALL/QUORUM

Present:

Commissioner Valerie Billmire
Commissioner Stephen Gockley
Commissioner Alana Pattermann
Commissioner Steven Price

Absent & Excused:

Commissioner Terry Bornemann

BWCHA Staff Presenters:

Lindsay Burmeister, Executive Services/HR Manager
Andrew Calkins, Executive Director
Tony Casale, Director of Development
Steve Grichel, Housing Programs Manager
Robyn Weber, Affordable Housing Programs Manager

Guest Presenters:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT AND RESIDENT INPUT

Paul Moore, Washington Square Resident – Paul sends congrats to Robyn Weber on her promotion. He also provides updates on Washington Square including new garden boxes, hot water upgrades, and an upcoming Labor Day picnic. He suggests that information should be provided to the Washington Square residents regarding the PHA Annual and 5-year plans prior to the meeting.

A. REPORTS

1. Executive Director Report: Attached to the Agenda
Executive Director Andrew Calkins presented the Executive Director’s Report
 - *Executive Director Calkins also presented the Quarter 2 BHA Operations report.*
2. Annual Safety Update: Attached to the Agenda
Human Resources Manager Lindsay Burmeister presented a safety update, which provided status on the Safety Committee, safety inspections, 2026 experience factor and our accident-free record.

B. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

1. Review Proposed Revisions to the BHA PHA Plan ([Link to doc](#))
Steve Grichel provided an overview of the Proposed Revisions to the BHA PHA plan.
2. Review BHA Public Housing Draft 5-year Action Plan for Capital Fund Grant Program 2026 – 2030 – Attached to the Agenda

Director of Development provided an overview of the BHA Public Housing Draft 5-year Action Plan for the Capital Fund Grant Program 2026-2030

C. CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Billmire moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

Motion: Approve Cash Disbursement/Vouchers for the Months of June 2026 & July 2026.

Motion: Approve Minutes for the June 2026 Regular BHA Board meeting.

Motion: Approve Minutes for the July 2026 Special BHA Board meeting.

Motion: Set public hearing date for FY 2027 BHA Agency Plan for Tuesday, September 15, 2026

Motion: Set public hearing date for the BHA Capital Fund 5-year Action Plan for Tuesday, September 15, 2026

Commissioner Price seconded the motion and Chair Gockley called the vote.

AYES: Commissioner Valerie Billmire
Commissioner Stephen Gockley
Commissioner Alana Pattermann
Commissioner Steven Price

NAYES: None

D. COMMISSIONER UPDATES

None

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board entered Executive Session at 2:27pm pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(f) to receive and evaluate complaints or charges brought against a public officer or employee;

No official action took place during the executive session.

Executive session adjourned at 3:19pm and Public Session was re-opened.

F. ADJOURNMENT

The public meeting was adjourned at 3:19PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew Calkins

**Andrew Calkins,
Secretary/Treasurer**

ATTEST:

Stephen Gockley

Stephen Gockley (Sep 16, 2026 10:59:48 PDT)

**Stephen Gockley,
Chair, Board of Commission**

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