

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**COUNCIL BUDGET RETREAT**  
**SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON**  
**COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2017**

**Fairgrounds Conference Room, 846 Argyle Avenue, Friday Harbor, WA**

**09:09 AM    CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE**

Council Chair Hughes called the meeting to order at 9:09 AM. Present: Council Members Jamie Stephens, Rick Hughes and Bill Watson; County Manager Mike Thomas, Auditor Milene Henley, Interim Public Works Director Russ Harvey, County Engineer Colin Huntemer, Human Resource Manager James Wolf and Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel.

**Citizens Access: none**

**9:30 AM            DISCUSSION:    2018 Budget**

Mr. Hughes reported on the status of ferry breakdowns over the weekend. He asked Council for approval to contact Governor Inslee about increasing long-term funding for ferry construction.

Ms. Henley presented the 2018 Budget Timeline and discussed financial projections.

Council agreed to add October 23 and 24 meetings for budget presentations, and to hold the October 17 meeting on San Juan Island rather than Orcas Island as previously scheduled.

**10:30 AM            RECESS TO TOUR FAIRGROUND FACILITIES**

**11:10 AM            COUNCIL BUDGET DISCUSSION CONTINUED**

Mr. Thomas presented initial observations going into the 2018 Budget cycle. Mr. Huntemer and Mr. Harvey discussed the status of current projects, future projects and funding.

Mr. Thomas asked the Council to consider their key initiatives for 2018 and bring them forward by August 14.

Council discussed financing a variety of potential projects.

**02:30 PM            ADJOURN**

Chair Hughes adjourned the meeting.

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**These Minutes were approved and signed on August 15, 2017. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid R. Gabriel, Council Clerk.**