City of Bellingham-Whatcom County Fire District 8
Regional Fire Authority Planning Committee
Special Meeting Minutes for October 14, 2026

Committee Members Present:

Roger Buswell, Whatcom County Fire District 8 Commissioner

Dan Hammill, City of Bellingham Council Member

Michael Lilliquist, City of Bellingham Council Member

Kim Lund, City of Bellingham Mayor

Robert Neher, Whatcom County Fire District 8 Commissioner

Sheena Williams, Whatcom County Fire District 8 Commissioner

1. Call to Order

Mayor Lund called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

2. RFA Presentation

Deputy City Administrator Forrest Longman gave a presentation on the RFA, including background information on the City's budget and the need for a new revenue source, how the RFA would be funded, sample costs for commercial and residential properties, and how an RFA would maintain, restore, and improve services.

3. Public Hearing

Mayor Lund opened the public hearing.

The Committee heard from three individuals.

Mayor Lund closed the public hearing.

4. Adjournment

Seeing no further business, Mayor Lund adjourned the meeting at 6:22 p.m.