

Planning Commission

Battery Energy Storage Systems – Briefing

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KitsapCounty

Community Development

Agenda

Background and Purpose

Work Done, Work Needed

What's Next

Background and Purpose

Moratorium established June 2025, for one year

Moratorium extended for 180 days, May 2026

Additional extension to complete work by June 15, 2027

Ensures life safety, environmental protections, compatibility



Work Done & Needed

Met with industry and life-safety experts; examined industry guidance

Examined what others are doing; toured BESS facility

Will examine tiers, recommend compatibility and permissibility

Will conduct outreach, engagement



What's Next

Public open house, scoping - Nov

PC scoping work study - Dec

Draft ordinance for public review – Jan

Public open house, ordinance review - Jan

PC public hearing - Feb

BOCC Public hearing - April





Thank you!

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