

## **ACTION TAKEN**

The Whatcom County Council adopted the following at its November 23, 2021, meeting: **ORDINANCE (2021-072) AMENDING THE 2022 WHATCOM COUNTY BUDGET, REQUEST NO. 1, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,655,096 (AB2021-628)** This ordinance amends the 2022 Whatcom County Budget as follows: FROM THE GENERAL FUND: appropriate \$175,381 in Assessor to fund 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; appropriate \$6,000 in Assessor to fund additional postage request; appropriate \$80,547 in Auditor to fund 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; record increase in licensing revenue in the amount of \$100,000 in Auditor; appropriate \$99,104 in Council to fund 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; record removal of revenue accounts in the amount of \$1,340 in Council; appropriate \$100,000 in Council to fund COVID pandemic response review; appropriate \$50,000 in Council to fund public communications consultant for IPRTF; record decrease in Council budget in the amount of \$33,125; appropriate \$69,499 in County Clerk to fund 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; appropriate \$69,524 in County Clerk to fund ARPA wages and benefits for Clerk in 2022 (funded by American Rescue Plan Act); appropriate \$182,415 in District Court to fund 2022 District Court COVID backlog from American Rescue Plan Act funding; decrease funding in District Court in the amount of \$46,262 as a result of 2022 wage and benefit adjustment; decrease funding in District Court Probation in the amount of \$2,400 as a result of 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; appropriate \$1,714 in Executive to fund 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; appropriate \$136,823 in Executive to fund Director of Strategic Initiatives new FTE position; appropriate \$975,138 in Health to fund 2022 wage and benefit adjustments and record offsetting grant revenues, funded \$944,174 by grant revenue and \$30,964 from, the General Fund; appropriate \$148,359 in Health funded by NSASO Substance Use Block Grant funding, excess to cover Health Department overhead costs; appropriate \$3,500,000 in Health to fund Emergency Rental Assistance program in 2022 from Emergency Rental Assistance Grant, excess to fund Health Department overhead.; appropriate \$29,000 in Health funded by the COVID Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity grant program in 2022, excess to fund Health Department overhead and wages and benefits already in the 2022 base budget; appropriate \$82,239 in Health funded by the Vaccination/Immunization grant program in 2022 excess to fund Health Department overhead and expenses already in the 2022 base budget; appropriate \$139,242 in Health funded by the COVID Epidemiology Lab Capacity grant program, excess to fund Health Department overhead; appropriate \$137,999 in Health to fund additional Health Officer 0.6 FTE position; appropriate \$6,970 in Health to fund TB elimination program funded by grant proceeds, excess to fund expenses already in the 2022 base budget; appropriate \$40,000 in Health to fund food system plan; appropriate \$95,568 in Health funded by the North Sound ASO Trueblood Grant program, excess to fund Health Department overhead; appropriate \$245,735 in Health to fund Child & Family/Childcare Program expansion; appropriate \$525,513 in Health funded by the Foundational Public Health Services state entitlement distribution, excess to fund Health Department overhead and expenses already in the 2022 base budget; decrease funding in Hearing Examiner in the amount of \$15,414 as a result of 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; decrease funding in Hearing Examiner in the amount of \$8,431 due to removal of building maintenance fees for Forest Street; decrease funding in Juvenile in the amount of \$23,299 as a result of 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; record General Fund sales tax revenue adjustments in the amount of \$4,800,000 in Non Departmental; appropriate \$12,000 in Non Departmental to fund increases in Indigent Burial services; appropriate \$116,646 in Non Departmental to fund increase in What-Comm/Prospect Dispatch; appropriate \$100,000 in Non Departmental to fund Whatcom Housing Alliance's facilitation contract; appropriate \$16,000 in Non Departmental to fund association fees increase; appropriate \$70,000 in Non Departmental to fund increase in Executive Contingency Fund; appropriate \$85,500 in Non Departmental to fund Totem Pole renovation; appropriate \$33,125 in Non Departmental to fund Granicus annual maintenance; appropriate \$100,000 in Non Departmental to fund medical examiner transition costs; appropriate \$120,000 in Non Departmental to fund General Fund transfer to Natural Resources to support Climate Action Special Project Manager position;

appropriate \$70,147 in Non Departmental to fund Public Safety Radio – GF Transfer; decrease funding in Parks and Recreation in the amount of \$35,801 as a result of 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; appropriate \$44,376 in Parks and Recreation to fund extra help rate increase; appropriate \$35,000 in Parks and Recreation to fund Lodging Tax lump sum payment to Department of Revenue; appropriate \$12,000 in Parks and Recreation to fund supply cost increase; appropriate \$30,000 in Parks and Recreation to fund Silver Lake shower and restroom building maintenance; appropriate \$306,034 in Planning and Development Services to fund 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; appropriate \$60,000 in Planning and Development Services to fund fire inspector vehicle replacement; appropriate \$55,600 in Planning and Development Services to fund fire inspector safety/investigation equipment; appropriate \$379,546 in Prosecuting Attorney to fund 2022 COVID backlog request from American Rescue Plan Act funding; record decrease in 2022 wage and benefit budget in Prosecuting Attorney in the amount of \$169,905; appropriate \$35,762 in Public Defender to fund wage and benefit adjustments and reflect federal grant funding for one attorney position; appropriate \$32,080 in Public Defender to fund 2022 career path promotions; appropriate \$960,472 in Public Defender to fund 9 temp positions due to COVID court backlog, funded by American Rescue Plan Act; appropriate \$30,000 in Public Defender to fund extra help for first appearance hearings, funded by American Rescue Plan Act; appropriate \$12,638 in Public Defender to fund reclassification of two investigator positions; appropriate \$15,669 in Public Defender to fund hiring investigator at step 8; record funding in the amount of \$77,500 in Sheriff to cover DTF JAG grant personnel costs; appropriate \$274,036 in Sheriff to fund 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; appropriate \$70,992 in Sheriff to fund Office Coordinator – Temp with Benefits; appropriate \$25,000 in Sheriff to fund training mandates; appropriate \$25,000 in Sheriff to fund overtime for training mandates; appropriate \$82,000 in Sheriff to fund law enforcement wellness programs; decrease funding in Superior Court in the amount of \$7,403 as a result of 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; appropriate \$370,127 in Superior court to fund 2022 ARPA wages and benefits due to COVID court backlog, funded by American Rescue Plan Act; appropriate \$5,300 in Treasurer to fund statement postage; record decrease in 2022 wage and benefit budget in the amount of \$24,320 in Treasurer; record 2022 property tax and interest income adjustments in the amount of \$1,118,000 in Treasurer; appropriate \$1,026 in WSU Extension to fund 2022 wage and benefit adjustments. FROM THE ROAD FUND: appropriate \$2,475 in Public Works – Administration to fund a transfer out in support of Ferry SBR #3377; appropriate \$160,000 in Public Works – M&O to fund carryover of 2021 capital improvement projects; appropriate \$360,000 in Public Works – M&O to fund 3500 gallon oil distributor; appropriate \$55,000 in Public Works – M&O to fund safety training vehicle; appropriate \$89,607 in Public Works – M&O to fund Engineering Technician FTE; appropriate \$90,000 in Public Works – M&O to fund rubber tire roller upgrade; appropriate \$267,400 in Public Works – M&O to fund carryover to remove and replace CRS road oil tanks; appropriate \$25,000 in Public Works – M&O to fund Engineering Tech FTE work station; appropriate \$5,000 in Public Works – M&O to fund safety training office equipment; appropriate \$45,000 in Public Works – M&O to fund Abel Pit salt and sand storage SBR #3359; appropriate \$7,998 in Public Works – M&O to fund 2022 Swift Creek transfer increase. FROM THE VETERAN’S RELIEF FUND, appropriate \$91,352 to fund veteran services increase. FROM THE WHATCOM COUNTY JAIL FUND: appropriate \$265,267 in Corrections to fund replacement of large prisoner transport truck; appropriate \$88,000 in Corrections to fund increase in nursing services; appropriate \$25,000 in Corrections to fund medications for Opioid Use Disorder program increase, partially funded from Criminal Justice Treatment Account grant; appropriate \$571,761 in Corrections to fund 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; appropriate \$125,000 in Corrections to fund medical social worker, partial funding provided by Behavioral Health Programs Fund; appropriate \$50,027 in Corrections to fund training increase; appropriate \$298,000 in Corrections to fund extension of COVID testing into 2022 funded by American Rescue Plan Act; record \$1,200,000 increase in 2-22 Detention Facilities Sales Tax revenue budget. FROM THE HOMELESS HOUSING FUND: appropriate \$1,386,142 in Health to fund Commerce Housing and Essential Needs Grant program increase; appropriate \$342,977 in Health to fund Commerce Shelter Grant program increase; appropriate \$4,370 in Health to

fund 2022 wages and benefit adjustments; appropriate \$438,324 in Health to fund housing and services increase; appropriate \$1,270,000 in Health to fund Emergency Solutions Grant (COVID) program increase. FROM THE STORMWATER FUND, record stormwater engineering shift to Lake Whatcom Stormwater Utility in the amount of \$126,528. FROM BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH PROGRAMS FUND: appropriate \$70,727 in Health to fund 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; appropriate \$39,000 in Health to fund triage facility maintenance; appropriate \$20,000 in Health to fund training for first responders and providers from grant proceeds; appropriate \$140,000 in Health to fund GRACE program from City of Bellingham grant increase; appropriate \$262,637 in Health to fund behavioral health services support and record adjustments to the 2022 sales tax budget. Excess to be used for additional programming as plans developed; appropriate \$2,340 in Superior Court to fund 2022 wage and benefit adjustments – Drug Court. FROM THE MENTAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES FUND, appropriate \$34,257 to fund specialized support services expansion. FROM THE SWIFT CREEK SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT FUND, record 2022 Swift Creek transfer increase in the amount of \$15,996. FROM THE COUNTYWIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FUND: appropriate \$894,675 in Non Departmental to fund 2022 EMS contractual adjustments and record revenue adjustments; appropriate \$56,576 in Non Departmental to fund EMS Training Specialist 2022 budget; appropriate \$195,712 in Non Departmental to fund Community Paramedic 2022 budget; appropriate \$91,585 in Non Departmental to fund EMS Administrative Assistant FTE addition; appropriate \$76,497 in Non Departmental to fund EMS Data Analyst budget, partially funded by outside sources; appropriate \$356,016 in Non Departmental to fund 2022 lateral paramedic training; appropriate \$1,555,200 in Non Departmental to fund 2022 paramedic training class; record \$200,000 in Non Departmental due to public safety sales tax adjustment; appropriate \$1,496,500 in Non Departmental to fund 5<sup>th</sup> Medic Unit implementation. FROM THE LAKE WHATCOM STORMWATER UTILITY FUND, appropriate \$8,528 to fund Lake Whatcom Stormwater Utility 2022 budget update. FROM THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH FACILITES, AND RELATED SERVICES PROGRAM FUND, appropriate \$1,181,215 to fund affordable housing development from the recently adopted Affordable Housing, Behavioral Health Facilities and Related Services Sales Tax. FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUND: appropriate \$3,860,191 in Health to fund COVID response staffing and Health Department data system; appropriate \$3,500,000 in Non Departmental to fund ARPA Housing security projects; appropriate \$3,500,000 in Non Departmental to fund ARPA economic recovery childcare capital projects; appropriate \$2,000,000 in Non Departmental to fund ARPA economic recovery childcare workforce development; appropriate \$3,000,000 in Non Departmental to fund ARPA community infrastructure capital projects; appropriate \$2,000,000 in Non Departmental to fund ARPA broadband project support; appropriate \$100,000 in Non Departmental to fund leased space for Public Defender’s new staff due to COVID court backlog; appropriate \$217,779 in Non Departmental to fund ARPA Grant Manager and grant acquisition services; appropriate \$64,000 in Non Departmental to fund COVID transport van staffing; appropriate \$2,393,971 in Non Departmental to fund transfer out to fund departmental ARPA expenditures; record 2022 ARPA revenue from U.S. Treasury in the amount of \$22,264,271 in Non Departmental. FROM THE SOLID WASTE FUND: decrease funding in Health in the amount of \$30,209 as a result of 2022 wage and benefit adjustment; appropriate \$62,840 in Health to fund solid waste property cleanup with liens; appropriate \$188,520 in Health to fund Point Roberts trailer; appropriate \$25,136 in Health to fund solid waste facilities improvements. FROM THE CONVENTION CENTER FUND, appropriate \$728,575 to fund 2022 Lodging Tax commitments and record adjustment to reflect increase in revenue budget. FROM THE VICTIM WITNESS FUND, appropriate \$2,290 to fund 2022 wage and benefit adjustments. FROM THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FUND, appropriate \$55,747 to fund public safety radio annual expense increase. FROM THE REAL ESTATE EXCISE TAX I FUND: appropriate \$217,000 in Administrative Services – Facilities to fund Courthouse security upgrades; appropriate \$125,000 in Administrative Services – Facilities to fund Courthouse signage project. FROM THE PUBLIC UTILITIES IMPROVEMENT FUND: appropriate \$2,000,000 in Non Departmental to fund Port of Bellingham county rural broadband project; record \$1,100,000 in Non

Departmental due to sales tax revenue adjustment; appropriate \$708,165 in Non Departmental to fund economic development tri-funder agreement; appropriate \$500,000 in Non Departmental to fund EDI Housing Affordable (HATWF) Loan Program. FROM THE FERRY SYSTEM FUND, appropriate \$5,500 to fund sanican rental and support at Gooseberry Dock. FROM THE EQUIPMENT RENTAL AND REVOLVING FUND: appropriate \$40,000 in Public Works – Equipment Services (PWES) to fund expanded Shop Service Writer office remodel; appropriate \$812,000 in PWES to fund carryover of 2021 capital vehicle replacements; appropriate \$60,000 in PWES to fund PDS Fire Inspector vehicle, funded by equity transfer from General Fund; appropriate \$45,000 in PWES to fund Abel Pit salt and sand storage, funded by equity transfer from Road Fund; appropriate \$55,000 in PWES to fund M&O safety training vehicle, funded by equity transfer from Road Fund; appropriate \$360,000 in PWES to fund 3,500 gallon oil distributor, funded by equity transfer from Road Fund; appropriate \$90,000 in PWES to fund rubber tired roller upgrade, funded by equity transfer from Road Fund; appropriate \$450,000 in PWES to fund large prisoner transport truck replacement, amount over and above current equity balance is funded by equity transfer from Jail Fund. FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES (AS) FUND: appropriate \$199,080 in AS – Admin to fund 2022 wage and benefit adjustments; appropriate \$100,000 in AS-Admin to fund leave cash out reserve; appropriate \$6,598 in AS-Facilities to fund reclassification of Facilities Assistant to Administrative Assistant; appropriate \$105,959 in AS-Finance to fund Grant Compliance Specialist position, partially funded by American Rescue Plan Act funding; appropriate \$30,000 in AS-Finance to fund financial reporting cloud subscription; appropriate \$130,000 in AS-Finance to fund electronic timesheets system; appropriate \$50,000 in AS-Human Resources to fund compensation consultant for unrepresented employees; appropriate \$4,626 to fund reclassification of HR Representative III; appropriate \$101,816 in AS-Human Resources to fund 1 FTE Human Resources Representative II position, partially funded by American Rescue Plan Act funding; appropriate \$45,000 in AS-Human Resources to fund enhanced HR recruitment software; appropriate \$30,000 in AS-Information Technology to fund replacement of firewall intrusion detection system; appropriate \$30,000 in AS-Information Technology to fund COVID-related video conferencing/remote access; appropriate \$16,000 in AS-Information Technology to fund multi-factory authentication for remote access; appropriate \$41,000 in AS-Information Technology to fund website platform upgrade to Civic Evolve additions; appropriate \$12,000 in AS Information Technology to fund website accessibility enhancements; appropriate \$10,000 in AS Information Technology to fund COVID-related Laserfiche forms license additions; appropriate \$19,000 in AS-Information Technology to fund website online forms automation. Ordinance introduced November 9, 2021.

**RESOLUTION (2021-051) ADOPTING THE 2022 BUDGET FOR THE WHATCOM COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT AND SUBZONES (COUNCIL ACTING AS THE FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS) (AB2021-622)** This resolution establishes the overall budget consistent with the appropriation items outlined in the law. Consistent with RCW 86.15.140, the FCZD must adopt an annual budget that includes the County-wide district and the subzones of the District. Public Works respectfully requests that the FCZD Board of Supervisors adopt the resolution to establish a 2022 budget for the County-wide District and the following subzones: Acme/Van Zandt Subzone; Lynden/Everson Subzone; Sumas/Nooksack/Everson Subzone; Samish Watershed Subzone; Birch Bay Watershed and Aquatic Resources Management District. Resolution introduced November 9, 2021. **ORDINANCE (2021-073) AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR COUNTYWIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL PURPOSES FOR 2022 (AB2021-623)** This ordinance authorizes the 2022 levy of taxes for Countywide Emergency Medical Purposes. Ordinance introduced November 9, 2021. **ORDINANCE (2021-074) AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF 2022 PROPERTY TAXES FOR COUNTY ROAD PURPOSES (AB2021-632)** This ordinance requests authorization to levy property taxes for county road purposes in 2022, pursuant to Home Rule Charter Section 6.10. Ordinance introduced November 9, 2021. **ORDINANCE (2021-075) AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR COUNTY AND**

**STATE PURPOSES IN WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON, FOR THE YEAR OF 2022 (AB2021-633)** This ordinance requests authorization to levy taxes in the General Fund to fund essential county services, pursuant to Home Rule Charter Section 6.10. Ordinance introduced November 9, 2021. **ORDINANCE (2021-076) LIMITING THE 2022 GENERAL FUND PROPERTY TAX LEVY (AB2021-634)** This Ordinance requests authorization to limit the County general levy to the amount of 2021 taxes, increased for the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state assessed property. Ordinance introduced November 9, 2021. **RESOLUTION (2021-052) AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR THE WHATCOM COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT FOR 2022 (AB2021-635)** This resolution authorizes the levy of taxes within the Whatcom County flood Control Zone District for 2022 in accordance with RCW 86.15.160(3). (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors). Resolution introduced November 9, 2021. **ORDINANCE (2021-077) AMENDING THE PROJECT BUDGET FOR THE E. SMITH/HANNEGAN ROAD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS FUND, REQUEST NO. 2 (AB2021-627)** This ordinance requests appropriation of \$1,015,000 to fund increased costs of construction and property rights acquisition for a total project budget of \$5,800,000. Ordinance introduced November 9, 2021. **ORDINANCE (2021-078) ESTABLISHING THE BIRCH BAY LYNDEN RD & BLAINE RD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS FUND AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT BASED BUDGET FOR THE BIRCH BAY LYNDEN RD & BLAINE RD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS FUND; CRP #906001 (AB2021-636)** This ordinance establishes the Birch Bay Lynden Rd. & Blaine Rd. Intersection Improvements Fund in the amount of \$650,000 for preliminary engineering and right-of-way phases of the project. Ordinance introduced November 9, 2021. **ORDINANCE (2021-079) ESTABLISHING THE GOSHEN ROAD/ANDERSON CREEK BRIDGE NO. 248 REPLACEMENT FUND AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT BASED BUDGET FOR THE GOSHEN ROAD/ANDERSON CREEK BRIDGE NO. 248 REPLACEMENT FUND; CRP #920003 (AB2021-637)** This ordinance establishes the Goshen Road/Anderson Creek Bridge No. 248 Replacement Fund and requests a project-based budget in the amount of \$500,000 for the preliminary engineering and right-of-way phases of the project. Ordinance introduced November 9, 2021. **ORDINANCE (2021-080) ESTABLISHING THE NORTH FORK ROAD/KENNEY CREEK FISH PASSAGE FUND AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT BASED BUDGET FOR THE NORTH FORK ROAD/KENNEY CREEK FISH PASSAGE FUND; CRP #919007 (AB2021-638)** This ordinance establishes the North Fork Road/Kenney Creek Fish Passage Fund and requests a project-based budget of \$425,000 for the preliminary engineering and right-of-way phases of the project. Ordinance introduced November 9, 2021. **ORDINANCE (2021-081) AMENDING THE 2022 WHATCOM COUNTY BUDGET, REQUEST NO. 2, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,007,450 (AB2021-640)** This ordinance amends the 2022 Whatcom County Budget as follows: From the Road Fund, appropriate \$12,007,450 to fund the 2022 Annual Road Program. Ordinance introduced November 9, 2021. **ORDINANCE (2021-082) ESTABLISHING THE JACKSON ROAD/TERRELL CREEK BRIDGE NO. 81 REPLACEMENT FUND AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT BASED BUDGET FOR THE JACKSON ROAD/TERRELL CREEK BRIDGE NO. 81 REPLACEMENT FUND; CRP #917004 (AB2021-641)** This ordinance establishes the Jackson Road/Terrell Creek Bridge No. 81 Replacement Fund and creates a project-based budget of \$700,000 to cover the type, size, and location phase of preliminary design. Ordinance introduced November 9, 2021. **ORDINANCE (2021-083) AMENDING WHATCOM COUNTY CODE (WCC) 3.08.060 (PURCHASING SYSTEM) TO UPDATE THE SMALL PUBLIC WORKS ROSTER PROCESS TO AWARD PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS UNDER WCC 3.08.095 AND TO ESTABLISH CONSULTING SERVICES ROSTER AWARD PROCESS FOR ARCHITECTURAL, ENGINEERING, AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (AB2021-650)** This ordinance would update the purchasing code, WCC 3.08, to include a new section that provides for a consultant roster contract award process as an alternative to existing purchasing code requirements. Ordinance introduced November 9, 2021. **ORDINANCE (2021-084) (EMERGENCY) AMENDING THE 2021 WHATCOM COUNTY BUDGET, REQUEST NO. 20,**

**IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500,000 TO COVER EMERGENCY RESPONSE COSTS RELATED TO COUNTYWIDE FLOODING (AB2021-732)** This emergency ordinance amends the 2021 Whatcom County Budget as follows: From the General Fund: appropriate \$500,000 in Non Departmental to transfer to the Emergency Management Fund. From the Emergency Management Fund: appropriate \$500,000 to fund flood response activities.

**ACTION PROPOSED  
(INTRODUCED)**

The Whatcom County Council will consider adopting and may amend the following at its 6 p.m. meeting on December 7, 2021, or at a later date: **ORDINANCE CLOSING SHERIFF'S RECORDS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM PROJECT FUND 344 (AB2021-671)** This ordinance closes Sheriff's Records Management System Project Fund 344 and returns the remaining funds to the General Fund. Ordinance introduced November 23, 2021. **ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE NORTHWEST ANNEX REDEVELOPMENT FUND AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT BASED BUDGET FOR THE NORTHWEST ANNEX REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT (AB2021-673)** This ordinance establishes the NW Annex Redevelopment Fund and requests a project-based budget in the amount of \$5,100,000 for Phase I, Architect & Engineering. Ordinance introduced November 23, 2021. **ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2021 WHATCOM COUNTY BUDGET, REQUEST NO. 18, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,038,925 (AB2021-679)** This ordinance amends the 2021 Whatcom County Budget as follows: From the General Fund: appropriate \$148,000 in County Clerk to fund increase in Assigned Counsel contracts; decrease funding by (\$148,000) in Public Defender due to increase in Assigned Counsel contracts caused by staff turnover; appropriate \$500,000 in Non Departmental to fund transfer to partially fund NW Annex Redevelopment Project A&E costs; record transfer in from American Rescue Plan Act Fund of \$1,068,925 for general government revenue loss recovery. From the American Rescue Plan Act Fund: appropriate \$1,068,925 to fund revenue loss recovery transfer; appropriate \$250,000 to fund Point Roberts economic sustainability assistance. From the Conservation Futures Fund: appropriate \$1,850,000 to fund Black Slough Water Resources Recovery project. From the Real Estate Excise Tax I Fund: appropriate \$1,685,000 to fund transfer to partially fund NW Annex Redevelopment Project A&E costs. From the Public Utilities Improvement Fund: appropriate \$1,685,000 to fund transfer to partially fund NW Annex Redevelopment Project A&E costs. Ordinance introduced November 23, 2021. **ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2022 WHATCOM COUNTY BUDGET, REQUEST NO. 3, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,144,763 (AB2021-681)** This ordinance amends the 2022 Whatcom County Budget as follows: From the General Fund: appropriate \$500,000 in Health to fund Isolation & Quarantine Facility from January through March from grant proceeds; appropriate \$291,263 in Health to fund NW Workforce Council grant program; appropriate \$300,000 in Prosecuting Attorney to fund LEAD Program from grant proceeds. From the Election Reserve Fund: appropriate \$12,000 to fund completion of Elections' camera system and prox door control projects. From the Administrative Services Fund: appropriate \$41,500 to fund Council chambers AV enhancements for hybrid meetings. Ordinance introduced November 23, 2021. **ORDINANCE REQUESTING THAT THE WHATCOM COUNTY AUDITOR INCLUDE THE QUESTION OF ESTABLISHING A BIRCH BAY LIBRARY CAPITAL FACILITY AREA TO FINANCE A NEW LIBRARY FACILITY IN BIRCH BAY ON THE BALLOT AT THE FEBRUARY SPECIAL ELECTION (AB2021-728)** This ordinance forwards the Birch Bay Library Capital Facility Area proposal to the Whatcom County Auditor for inclusion on the ballot at the next special election. Ordinance introduced November 23, 2021.

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

The Whatcom County Council will hold a public hearing, consider adopting, and may amend the following at its 6 p.m. meeting on December 7, 2021, or at a later date: **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR CONSERVATION FUTURES PURPOSES FOR 2022 (AB2021-733)** This ordinance requests authorization to levy taxes for Conservation

Futures purposes in 2022, pursuant to Home Rule Charter Section 6.10. Ordinance introduced November 23, 2021. **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM PERIODIC UPDATE 2020 (AB2021-654)** This resolution approves the periodic update of Whatcom County's Shoreline Management Program, which includes amendments to the Whatcom County Comprehensive Plan (shoreline and other policies), WCC Titles 23 (shoreline regulations) and 22 (permitting procedures), WCC Chapter 16.16 (critical areas regulations), and the official Shoreline Map. Additionally, the project addresses Council's docketed items 1) PLN2019-00011, a directive to amend the Comp Plan and codes to allow the seasonal extraction of sand and gravel from dry upland areas under certain conditions (but has been found to be unnecessary); and 2) PLN2018-00010, the addition of a Sustainable Salmon Harvest Goal policy to the Comp Plan. Resolution introduced November 23, 2021.

Public documents are available for review weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Council Office, 311 Grand Avenue, Suite 105, Bellingham, and at [co.whatcom.wa.us/council](http://co.whatcom.wa.us/council). View meeting schedules, agendas, minutes, videos, documents, and archives at [whatcom.legistar.com](http://whatcom.legistar.com). The Council is currently holding all meetings remotely. For instructions on how to watch or participate in meetings, please visit [whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil](http://whatcomcounty.us/joinvirtualcouncil) or contact the Council Office at 360-778-5010.

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