Parks & F	Recreation			
Supp'l ID # 3	151 <b>Fund</b> 1	Cost Center 6352	Originator:	Christ Thomsen
Expenditur	e Type: One-Time	Year 1 2021 A	Add'I FTE 🗌 🛮 Add'I Sp	pace Priority 1
Name of R	equest: Lookout	Mountain Road Failure	A&E - FEMA 08-4615	
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Costs:	Object	Dbject Description		Amount Requested
	4333.8310	FEMA		(\$40,299)
	4334.0181	FEMA Military		(\$6,717)
	6630	Professional Services		\$47,016
	Request Total			\$0

## 1a. Description of request:

This request provides budgeting and spending authority for the use of FEMA funds in the amount of \$47,016 for Architecture and Engineering to develop plans, specifications, and engineering estimate for the repair of the LM-2000 and LM-2100 roads in the Lookout Mountain Forest Preserve.

# 1b. Primary customers:

The citizens of Whatcom County are the primary customers. Lookout Mountain trails had over 48,000 visitors in 2020. Additional customers are department staff using these roads for management activities, EMS. and leaseholders.

### 2. Problem to be solved:

During the winter of 2018/2019, a storm (incident 18-4615) caused a slope failure between the LM-2000 and LM-2100 roads within the Lookout Mountain Forest Preserve. The slide caused substantial damage to the LM-2100 roads and lesser damage to the LM-2000 road. Portions of the LM-2100 road failed (approximately 70 feet of the roadway was lost). The slide materials were deposited on the LM-2000 road causing damage to culverts, a lateral ditch, and road surfacing. The department took immediate action to stabilize the slide area and clear the LM-2000 road. Today, the slide area is minimally active, the LM-2100 road remains impassable to motor vehicles, and continues to degrade. The slide and road failure received a grant from FEMA for architecture and engineering work development plans, specifications and engineering estimate for repairs. This budget supplemental provides budgetary expenditure authority to encumber these funds and proceed with A&E.

The LM-2000 is a critical road as it is a mainline road that provides access for land managers, communications leaseholders, EMS and other across a large portion of Lookout Mountain Forest Preserve. The LM-2100 road provides valuable access for land managers and recreationists.

## 3a. Options / Advantages:

Both roads are important to the management of Lookout Mountain Forest Preserve. With this in mind, two options were considered.

- 1) Do nothing in response to the slope failure. This precludes the continued use of the LM-2100 road because the failure caused the loss of approximately 70-feet of the roadway. At the worst point, the loss included the full width of the roadway. The LM-2000 remains open and useable at this time but is at risk of additional damage or complete loss should the slope fail again.
- 2) Effect repairs to stabilize the slope and restore the roads. This option repairs both roads and provides for ongoing use of the LM-2000 and LM-2100 roads.

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Cost Center 6352

Originator: Christ Thomsen

Status:

Pending

Option two is the best option as it repairs roads that provide critical and valuable access for land management, EMS, leaseholder, and recreation activities.

## 3b. Cost savings:

This is a repair project and no cost savings are expected as a result. Pursuing use of valuable Federal funds now provides an alternate fund source for Architecture and Engineering costs, along with eventual repair costs once repairs are implemented. This project is eligible for funding from FEMA for construction costs as well.

### 4a. Outcomes:

Architecture & Engineering complete in 2021

#### 4b. Measures:

Architecture & Engineering are complete and federal funding for construction based on the engineer's cost estimate are secured.

## 5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

Finance will assist in facilitating procurement of the Architecture and Engineering firm.

5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

# 6. Funding Source:

Federal FEMA funds were received in 2020 and accrued to 2021 in account 6352.4333.8310 & 6352.4333.0181

Parks & F	Recreation			
Supp'l ID # 3	153 <b>Fund</b> 1	Cost Center 6370	Originator:	Christ Thomsen
Expenditure	e Type: One-Time	Year 1 2021 A	dd'i FTE 🗌 🛮 Add'i Spa	ace Priority 1
Name of R	equest: Point Whi	tehorn Stairway - FEMA	08-4615	
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Costs:	Object O	bject Description		Amount Requested
	4333.8310	FEMA		(\$26,250)
	4334.0181	FEMA Military		(\$4,375)
	6630	Professional Services		\$30,625
	Request Total			\$0

# 1a. Description of request:

This request provides expenditure authority for the use of FEMA funds in the amount of \$30,631 for architecture and engineering to develop plans, specifications, and engineering estimate for the repair or replacement of the high-bank stairway at Point Whitehorn Marine Reserve.

The high-bank stairway provides public access from the highlands of the reserve to the saltwater shoreline and tidelands. This was a key element for acquisition of the property for park purposes.

#### 1b. Primary customers:

The primary customers are the citizens of Whatcom County and the over 25,000 annual visitors to Point Whitehorn Marine Reserve.

#### 2. Problem to be solved:

During the winter of 2018-2019, a storm (incident 18-4618) caused a slope failure within the Point Whitehorn Marine Reserve which affected the high-bank stairway that provides access from the highlands of the park to the Puget Sound shoreline. The slope failure undermined the stairway, causing damage to the stairway and creating a potential for stairway failure. The stairway received repairs, was determined to be safe for public use, and was reopened to the public. Because of the potential for failure, the stairway was eligible to receive FEMA funding for architecture and engineering work to develop plans, specifications, and engineering estimates. A winter storm in 2020 (incident 20-0256) contributed to further degradation of the slope and stairway making it unsafe for use. The stairway was closed to the public as a result and remains closed. Funding has been received from FEMA for A&E costs and this budget supplemental is to provide expenditure authority to encumber these funds and proceed with the project.

## 3a. Options / Advantages:

Two options were evaluated:

- 1) Remove the existing stairway and close access to the shoreline. This option reduces services by eliminating shoreline and tideland access within Point Whitehorn Marine Reserve.
- 2) Repair or replace the existing stairway in way that provides safe and reliable access to the shoreline. This option provides continuation of services by maintaining shoreline and tidelands access.

Shoreline access is a primary draw of visitors to Point Whitehorn Marine Reserve and was an important element of its acquisition. Continued provision of shoreline access via a high-bank stairway is a critical component of the park infrastructure. Option two provides the opportunity to continue to provide this service in a safe manner, making it the best option.

Pending Status:

# Parks & Recreation

Fund 1 Supp'l ID # 3153

Cost Center 6370

Originator:

Christ Thomsen

# 3b. Cost savings:

This is a repair project and no cost savings are expected as a result. Pursuing use of available federal funds now provides an alternate fund source for architecture and engineering costs, along with eventual repair costs.

### 4a. Outcomes:

Architecture and engineering are complete in 2021

#### 4b. Measures:

A&E work is complete and Federal funding for repairs based on engineer's cost estimate is secured

## 5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

Finance will assist with facilitating procurement of the architecture and engineering firm.

5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

# 6. Funding Source:

Federal FEMA funds were received in 2020 and accrued to 2021. Funds were deposited into accounts 6370.4333.8310 and 6370.4334.0181.

Sheriff Operations					
Supp'l ID# 3155	# 3155 Fund 1 Cost Center 1003519005 Originator: Donna Duling			Duling	
Expenditure Ty	pe: One-Time	Year 1 2021	Add'I FTE	Add'l Space	Priority 1
Name of Reque	est: 2021 - Ope	eration Stonegarde	n FY19		
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Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
4333.8705	St Homeland Sec Grt Prg	(\$163,777)
6110	Regular Salaries & Wages	\$11,663
6140	Overtime	\$111,240
6210	Retirement	\$6,939
6230	Social Security	\$9,402
6259	Worker's Comp-Interfund	\$3,093
6269	Unemployment-Interfund	\$159
6410	Fuel	\$10,800
6790	Travel-Other	\$10,481
Request Tot	al	\$0

## 1a. Description of request:

Supplemental Budget #3075 was approved in 2020 for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) FY19 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG) Grant Program award (W.C. Contract# 202007008). The total award was \$400,725 with 163,777 allocated to the Sheriff's Office and \$236,948 allocated for other law enforcement agencies (sub-recipients).

The Sheriff's Office used \$4,672.85 of this grant in 2020. Funds remaining total \$396,052.15 with \$163,777 for the Sheriff's Office and \$232,275.15 for sub-recipients. This supplemental budget is for the Sheriff's Office remaining allocation. The remaining allocation for sub-recipients will be included in the 2021 budget through continuing appropriations.

State and Local law enforcement agencies are not empowered to enforce immigration laws under the OPSG program.

#### 1b. Primary customers:

Area law enforcement agencies and citizens of Whatcom County through increased capability of law enforcement to secure the international border.

#### 2. Problem to be solved:

Budget authority is needed to use OPSG FY19 funds in 2021.

### 3a. Options / Advantages:

These funds were allocated specifically for Operation Stonegarden patrols; they may not be used for any other purpose.

#### 3b. Cost savings:

### 4a. Outcomes:

Enhanced patrols will be conducted per contract specifications and timelines, and Daily Activity Reports

Sheriff		Operation	ns	
Supp'l ID # 3155	Fund 1	Cost Center 1003519005	Originator:	Donna Duling

Status: Pending

will be submitted.

## 4b. Measures:

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The Whatcom County Sheriff's Office and U.S. Border Patrol Blaine Sector will monitor projects and expenditures against contract deliverables.

# 5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

# 6. Funding Source:

Indirect federal grant from Washington State Military Department. Funds originate from U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) FY2019 OPSG Grant Program, CFDA No. 97.067

Monday, January 25, 2021

Rpt: Rpt Suppl Regular

Sheriff	eriff Operations						
Supp'l ID # 3156 Fund 1 Cost Center 1003520004 Originator: Donna				Donna D	a Duling		
Expenditure Type:	: One-Time	Year 1 2021	Add'I FTE	Add'l Sp	расе 🗌	Priority	1
Name of Request	: 2021 - OCE	ETF DEA RL-19	-0005				
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Costs:

Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
4342.1013	Reimb Drug Enforcement	(\$2,419)
6140	Overtime	\$2,419
Request Total		\$0

# 1a. Description of request:

The U.S. Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) authorized funding for the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office to participate in the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) and assist with the investigation and prosecution of major drug trafficking organizations. DEA will reimburse the Sheriff's Office for overtime of deputies engaged in these investigations (WC Contract #202010037).

The total award in 2020 was \$2,500.00, of which the Sheriff's Office used \$81.30 leaving a balance of \$2,418.70. This supplemental budget is for the remaining balance.

## 1b. Primary customers:

Citizens of Whatcom County

### 2. Problem to be solved:

Budget authority is needed to use these funds in 2021.

### 3a. Options / Advantages:

Funds were authorized specifically for overtime on OCDETF investigations; they may not be used for any other purpose.

### 3b. Cost savings:

Cost savings of \$2,418.70

# 4a. Outcomes:

Deputies assigned to assist in OCDETF investigations may perform a variety of duties: interviewing witnesses, conducting surveillance, performing undercover assignments, handling informant and/or prisoner transportation, preparing and executing search and arrest warrants, serving subpoenas, assisting with trial preparation, and testifying at trials.

#### 4b. Measures:

## 5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

# 5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

## 6. Funding Source:

The U.S. Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration will provide \$2,418.70 from the State and Local Overtime (SLOT) Funds.

Health Human Services					
Supp'l ID # 3158	Fund 1	Cost Center 677700 Originator: Anne Deacon			
Expenditure Ty	pe: One-Time	Year 1 2021	Add'I FTE  Add'I Space	☐ Priority 1	
Name of Reque	est: Emergeci	ny Rental Assistan	ce 2021		
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Costs: Object	Object Description	Amount Requested	
	4331.2102	Emergency Rental Assistance	(\$6,911,585)
	6610	Contractual Services	\$6,809,443
	Request Tot	al	(\$102,142)

# 1a. Description of request:

The Health Department requests expenditure authority of new federal funding from the US Treasury to provide housing assistance for households in Whatcom County. 90% of these emergency rental assistance funds will be used for payment of rent and utilities. The remaining ten percent will be available for housing stability services including personnel required to deliver assistance. The Health Department will work with local housing support service providers to deliver the program. The grant total of \$6,911,585 provides funding through December 31, 2021.

# 1b. Primary customers:

Households in Whatcom County who are below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI) and have rent or utility obligations that place them at risk of losing their housing or utilities without financial assistance. Households below 50% of the AMI are prioritized.

#### 2. Problem to be solved:

The COVID pandemic has created an economic crisis for many households who have experienced a loss of income and/or a significant increase in costs. This crisis has caused many households to be in arrears or unable to continue paying lease obligations or utility bills. Upon termination of the current Eviction Moratorium, it is expected that many households will lose their housing if financial assistance is not provided. According to the Census Bureau Pulse Survey, approximately 12% of the Washington State renters are not caught up on rent payments, placing them at risk of eviction.

# 3a. Options / Advantages:

Whatcom County had the option to accept the federal grant, or to deny the direct funds and defer our share to the state. In order to maximize the amount Whatcom County could receive, the county chose to receive the funds directly from the US Treasury Department. Receiving the monies directly expedited the ability to utilize the funds, thereby affording immediate planning efforts for distribution of assistance.

# 3b. Cost savings:

Households that might otherwise experience loss of stable housing and perhaps exit to homelessness can now remain in their homes. Stable housing promotes opportunities for gainful employment, education, family and social ties. This provides a positive return on the investment as households can continue to contribute to the local economy with no need to rely on other public assistance.

#### 4a. Outcomes:

Eligible households will receive up to 12 months of rent and utility assistance, distributed in no more than three-month increments. Evictions will be prevented.

# 4b. Measures:

The program anticipates serving approximately 130 households per month. The average amount of

Health Human Services

Supp'l ID # 3158 Fund Cost Center Originator: Anne Deacon

assistance per household is anticipated at \$5,000.

5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

n/a

**5b.** Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for: n/a

6. Funding Source:

US Treasury Department / Consolidated Appropriations Act 2021

Non-Departmental					
Supp'l ID# 3160	<b>Fund</b> 134	Cost Center	Originator: T. He	lms	
Expenditure Ty	pe: One-Time	Year 1 2021	Add'I FTE  Add'I Space	Priority 1	
Name of Reque	est: COVID Re	sponse - Recovery			
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Costs:

Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
6120	Extra Help	\$32,000
6429	Fuel-Interfund	\$1,000
6610	Contractual Services	\$395,000
7069	Repairs & Maint-Interfun	\$2,000
7190	Other Miscellaneous	\$5,000
7350	Buildings & Structures	\$116,000
Request Total		\$551,000

## 1a. Description of request:

Whatcom County continues to plan, prepare for and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. While the Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) funding ended last year Whatcom County's response and recovery efforts continue. With the remaining Fund balance, the County has committed to the following:

The acquisition of tiny homes began in December last year and the remainder of that purchase is included in this budget supplemental. The acquisition and placement of 50 tiny homes in response to the homeless crisis impacted by COVID-19 helps to address the homeless/housing crisis in Whatcom County.

Securing contractula services thorugh Opporutnity Council to afford Emegency Shelter services for the homeless by way of motel vouchers.

Additional financial support for the Bellingham Food Bank for new costs associated with operating safely during the pandemic and the extensive setup and safe distribution for the increased food purchases.

Affording quick, relialable and safe transport of COVID-19 positive clients of mobile health services through GRACE and LEAD. This transportation will allow for critical continuity of care. This budget supplemental includes the cost to retrofit the van, fuel and maintenance used for the mobile health transports.

We are also proposing \$200,000 in limited contingency to ensure quick response to COVID-19 impacts when and if, needed. This will allow us to intiate a timely response that may necessitate additional funding when needs and expenses are more clearly defined.

Final payment for acquisition of 50 Tiny Homes \$116,000 Mobile Health Transport Van: \$40,000 Emergency Contingency: \$200,000 Motel Vouchers for homeless: \$100,000

Food Bank new costs for safe operations &

increased buld food purchasing & staging \$ 95.000

# Non-Departmental

Supp'I ID # 3160 Fund 134 Cost Center Originator: T. Helms

## 1b. Primary customers:

Whatcom County residents

#### 2. Problem to be solved:

Whatcom County utilized a significant amount of the 2020 CARES Act Funding through the reimbursement process. We are proposing to use a portion of the remaining \$6.7M Fund balance to cover additional costs anticipated for continued COVID-19 response and recovery.

Paying for the remainder of the 50 tiny homes which help to address the homeless crisis during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Supporting the mobile health transport van for COVID-19 positive patients.

The Health Department works through Opportunity Council to provide emergency motel vouchers for the homeless in the amount of \$100,000.

The Food Bank has incurred additional costs associated with operating safely during the pandemic. Significan increases in purchased food and staging has required additiona purchases of cardboard boxes, plastic wrap, tents, etc. to ensure safe staging and storage.

Ensuring preliminary budget authority to allow for an initial response to quickly emerging COVID-19 impact needs such as the two described above. The COVID-19 environment has created fast moving dilemmas that may require immediate response to mitigate further distress. This contingency would alllow timely response with the ability to seek council support for additional funding when/if necessary. If the response requires additional funding council would expect to see additional budget supplemental requests.

This budget supplemental provides the necessary appropriation authority for the final payment of the 50 tiny homes, support of the transport of COVID positive clients for mobile health services and also provides limited contingency to allow for initial, quick and timely response to emergent COVID impacts when they arise.

### 3a. Options / Advantages:

As COVID related expenses are anticipated we must budget appropriately to ensure quick action when necessary. These actions are prudent measures to help address and alleviate COVID-19 impacts in our community.

The acquisiton of tiny homes to address the growing homeless population needs is a step towards resolving the homeless/housing issue.

Providing transportation for COVID positive clients of mobile health programs will mitigate risk and maintain continuity of valuable programs and services.

Emergency motel vouchers has proven successful and provides one more tool in addressing the homeless population needs on an emergency basis.

Ensuring limitted contingency for unanticipated but likley expenses related to COVID response will ensure timely response that could help mitigate further distress with the acknowledgement that large response may require additional budget authority from Council.

### 3b. Cost savings:

n/a

## 4a. Outcomes:

The remainder of tiny homes will be acquired and placed at the location designated by the City of Bellingham to shelter homeless people.

Safe transportation of COVID positive clients of GRACE, LEAD and other mobile health programs will

Non-Departmental						
Supp'l ID # 3157				riginator: Tyler S	inator: Tyler Schroeder	
Expenditur	e Type: One-Time	Year 1 2021	Add'I FTE	Add'I Space □	Priority 1	
Name of R	equest: Glenning	Park Project				
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Costs:	Object	Object Description		Amoun	t Requested	
	7220	Intergov Subsidies			\$250,000	
	Request Total				\$250,000	

## 1a. Description of request:

The City of Lynden has raised \$950,000 in local funding to acquire 4 acres in the heart of Lynden that will become a city park filled with trees, natural areas, ball fields, playground and venue. The City has requested less than 20% of the purchase price from the County to secure this purchase. Acquiring this property will preserve green space in a quickly growing community.

## 1b. Primary customers:

Lynden residents, community members and visitors to the area.

#### 2. Problem to be solved:

Through a set of fortuitous historical circumstances, these four acres located in the heart of lynden remain vacant. However, if not acquired for the purposes of this public park the opportunity to acquire it may be lost to other investors. This is a "now or never" opportunity.

#### 3a. Options / Advantages:

In consideration of the City's request and purpose for funding, it was determined that the Conservation Futures Fund would be the appropriate Fund source. Although this is a departure from using Conservation Futures for County property investments the support of the Glenning Park project aligns with the intentions, purpose and use of the Conservation Fund.

## 3b. Cost savings:

There will be no savings realized other than the savings afforded to the community from investing in this green space while the property is still available and obtainable. The investment in this property will be used for green space in our community for decades in the future.

#### 4a. Outcomes:

This funding will allow for the acquisition of 4 acres located in the heart of the city to be used for the creation of a city park that will provde natural areas, ball fields, play ground and event venue in a quickly growing community.

#### 4b. Measures:

The property will be preserved and developed as use for a community park and green space.

## 5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

N/a

5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

#### 6. Funding Source:

Conservation Futures Fund

# CITY OF LYNDEN

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT Scott Korthuis, Mayor (360) 354 - 1170



January 5, 2021

Whatcom County Executive Satpal Sidhu County Council Chairman Barry Buchanan 311 Grand Avenue Bellingham, WA 98264

Executive Sidhu and Chairman Buchanan:

The City of Lynden respectfully requests \$250,000 in Conservation Futures Funds to help purchase a four-acre site for a park in the heart of our City. As I am sure you know, finding open space in the center of any city is extremely rare. The Glenning Street site was home to Lynden's first school. The site was selected for public use then for the same reason it continues to be a valuable community asset now; it offers a highly unique, centralized location that is accessible to the community.

Local support for the Glenning Park project can be gaged by the willingness of our residents to reach into their own pockets to pay for it: The entire cost of the property is \$1,450,000. The Conservations Future Funds we request are less than 20% of that amount.

Most of the remaining funding has already been raised locally through contributions from individuals, the City of Lynden, and a successful bond measure where residents agreed to tax themselves to help pay for the property. It is worth noting that this bond measure was passed overwhelmingly on the first attempt, an extraordinary achievement in our City.

Taken together, local funding has already provided \$950,000 for the project. With \$250,000 in Conservation Future funds plus \$250,000 more from other local sources we can complete the funding package and ensure the entire four-acre park will be preserved in perpetuity.

You probably know that Lynden is growing quickly, and that we are under a great deal of pressure to grow yet more. This growth pressure has caused us to develop property within the City limits that will accommodate 2,000 new homes and add 6,000 new residents. No one disputes the fact that there needs to be a healthy balance of outdoor space to accommodate these new residents; this property, within walking distance of homes, businesses and institutions would be critical to providing that balance.

Through a set of fortuitous historical circumstances, these four acres in the heart of Lynden remain vacant and ripe to become a park of trees, natural areas, ball fields, a playground and an event venue for the community. No other similarly situated, sizeable parcel of undeveloped land exists in the core of the city. This is a "now or never" opportunity.

The historic roots of the property also call for its continued public ownership, especially for its availability to our children. One hundred and thirty-three years ago, Lynden's founders Phoebe and Holden Judson donated the Glenning Street property for Lynden's first school. The original school building served for nearly 90 years and was demolished in the late 1960s. Since then, the property has been used by the school district for passive events including athletics, band practice and a wide range of other events.

In need of money to renovate the administration building, the Lynden School District announced its intent to sell the Glenning Street property. The announcement immediately attracted the interest of developers and the concern of Lynden citizens. Under the leadership of Harlan Kredit, the Glenning Schoolyard Committee was formed, consisting of community leaders including farmers, local residents, neighbors, business owners, educators, city planners and others.

The Committee convinced the school district not to sell the property to a developer for top dollar and formed a partnership with the City to purchase the property for \$1,450,000. The City agreed to contribute \$200,000 to the project and include another \$200,000 in the successful bond measure I mentioned earlier.

The City and the Committee agreed that if fundraising falls short, a portion of the property would be sold off to make up for the shortfall. This would significantly diminish - forever - the future value of the Glenning schoolyard property to the community. We are determined not to let this happen. And it is in that spirit of determination we ask your help.

As I mentioned, a significant amount of the needed funding has already been secured. What remains now is the need for \$500,000. There is an aggressive, region-wide fundraising campaign underway and we are confident there will be many modest and several more substantial contributions. I am asking you for half of that amount, \$250,000 in County Conservation Futures Funds.

We are confident that with your partnership, we can restore this now relatively barren, featureless property to a quality-of-life sustaining Lynden oasis. Thank you for considering this request. This is a would be a valuable investment in rare piece of open space in our increasingly urbanized environment.

Sincerely,

Scott Korthuis, Mayor

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City of Lynden

CC: Glenning Schoolyard Committee: Harlan Kredit (Chair), Dale Bedlington, Dick Bedlington, Cheri DeBoer, Terry DeValois, Heidi Doornenbal, Heather Flaherty, Lisa Groeneweg, Jim Hale, Mauri Ingram, Jeff Jansen, Mike Lewis, Bob Libolt, Jeff Littlejohn, Matt Maberry, Monte Maberry, Vern Meenderinck, Ron Polinder, Brad Rader, Rena Rudy, Chuck Robinson, Ken Stremler, and Sean Withrow.