

PROPOSED BY: Executive

INTRODUCTION DATE: March 8, 2022

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL UPDATING THE
APPENDIX OF THE 2022 COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
STRATEGY (CEDS) PROJECT LIST**

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Reform Act of 1998 identifies a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) as a requirement to apply for assistance under the Economic Development Administration's (EDA) economic adjustment and public works program; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 105-393, implemented in 1999, amends the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 and re-authorizes Economic Development Administration Programs for five years; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, the Port of Bellingham, through an interlocal agreement with the county, completed the work to update the document which Council approved through Resolution 2021-046; and

WHEREAS, the project list did not include a Whatcom County project known as the Lottie Street Remodel project; and

WHEREAS, this project is listed and highlighted in Attachment "A", titled Updated CEDS 2022 Project List; and

WHEREAS, this is an efficient use of an underused facility which needs a cosmetic overhaul as well as upgraded amenities to ensure it can be used temporarily by other departments in the near future when designated county buildings are under construction; and

WHEREAS, RCW 82.14.370 requires that projects utilizing rural sales tax revenue must be contained in the County's overall economic development plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Whatcom County Council hereby accepts the updated appendix as submitted by the Whatcom Council of Governments.

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2022.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

Todd Donovan, Council Chair

APPROVED as to form:

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