



# Whatcom County

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## Agenda Bill Report

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### TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Resolution to authorize procurement from or through the US General Services Administration (GSA) cooperative schedules

### SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

AS-Finance requests Council's authorization to utilize the federal government's cooperative purchasing schedules through the US GSA that are available to local governments to purchase goods and services

### HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

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Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
10/10/2023	Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee	RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL Aye: 3 Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner Nay: 0	
10/10/2023	Council	APPROVED Aye: 7 Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, Galloway, and Kershner Nay: 0	

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**Attachments:** Proposed Resolution

PROPOSED BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
INTRODUCED: \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - 031**

**PROCUREMENT FROM OR THROUGH THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to RCW 39.32.090, whenever authorized by ordinance or resolution of its legislative authority any political subdivision of the state shall have power to purchase supplies, materials, electronic data processing and telecommunication equipment, software, services, and/or equipment from or through the United States government without calling for bids, notwithstanding any law or charter provision to the contractor, and

**WHEREAS**, as the federal government's purchasing agent, the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) provides centralized procurement for the federal government, offering billions of dollars worth of products, services, and facilities that federal agencies need to serve the public, and

**WHEREAS**, through the GSA, state, local, tribal governments, and educational institutions may utilize specific programs to buy goods and services, and

**WHEREAS**, the County Council constitutes the legislative authority of Whatcom County and finds the purchase of supplies, materials, electronic data processing and telecommunication equipment, software, services, and/or equipment from or through the United States government without calling for bids, as being in the best interest of Whatcom County.

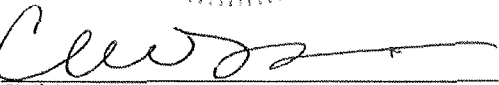
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Whatcom County Council hereby authorizes the purchase of supplies, materials, electronic data processing and telecommunication equipment, software, services, and/or equipment from or through the GSA without calling for bids.

APPROVED this 10th day of October, 2023.

ATTEST:

  
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Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Civil Deputy Prosecutor

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
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Barry Buchanan, Council Chair