



Whatcom County

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Agenda Bill Master Report

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Department:	Finance Division	File Type:	Ordinance		
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Agenda Date:	05/19/2020			Enactment #:	ORD 2020-026

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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Ordinance establishing the COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund and establishing a budget for the COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund (Supersedes Ord. No. 2020-016)

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

Requesting authorization to establish a new special revenue fund titled "COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund" and appropriate \$1,750,000 in the fund.

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
05/05/2020	Council	INTRODUCED	Council
		Aye: 5 Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner	
		Nay: 2 Byrd, and Elenbaas	
		Absent: 0	
05/19/2020	Council	ADOPTED	
		Aye: 5 Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner	
		Nay: 2 Byrd, and Elenbaas	
		Absent: 0	

Attachments: Proposed Ordinance, Attachment A, Notice of Action Proposed for 5.19.2020, Notice of Action Taken on 5.19.2020

PROPOSED BY: Executive
INTRODUCTION DATE: 05/05/2020

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-026

**ESTABLISHING THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND AND
ESTABLISHING A BUDGET FOR THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND**

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Council adopted Emergency Ordinance No. 2020-016 establishing the COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund and establishing a budget for the COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to adopt a permanent ordinance to replace the emergency ordinance as it expires on the sixty-first day following the date it became law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that a new special revenue fund is hereby established titled the "COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund",

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the fund is approved with an initial budget of \$1,750,000 as presented in Attachment A.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Whatcom County Council that this ordinance supersedes Ordinance No. 2020-016.


ADOPTED this 19th day of May, 2020.

 Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk


APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Approved by phone/KF/MC
Civil Deputy Prosecutor

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Barry Buchanan, Chair of Council

Approved () Denied


Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

Date: 6/24/2020

Attachment 'A'

Supplemental Budget Request

Status: Pending

Non-Departmental

Suppl ID # 3046

Fund

Cost Center

Originator: M Caldwell

Year 2 2020

Add'l FTE

Priority 1

Name of Request: COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund budget

	4/2/2020
Department Head Signature (Required on Hard Copy Submission)	Date

Costs:	Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
	2241	Interfund Loans Payable	(\$1,000,000)
	4337.1001	City of Bham Support	(\$500,000)
	6610	Contractual Services	\$1,750,000
	8301.4530	Op Trf In - Non-Departmental	(\$250,000)
	Request Total		\$0

1a. Description of request:

Funding will be used to provide supplies and contracts needed to address life safety issues in response to the COVID-19 coronavirus emergency in Whatcom County.

1b. Primary customers:

Citizens of Whatcom County

2. Problem to be solved:

Whatcom County needs to be able to take adequate actions to stem the tide of COVID-19 in order to protect our citizens.

3a. Options / Advantages:

There are no other options.

3b. Cost savings:

Funding from the federal government in the form of FEMA assistance is eventually expected to offset 75% of the costs.

4a. Outcomes:

Whatcom County will be successful in limiting the spread of COVID-19 countywide as soon as possible.

4b. Measures:

Decrease in the number and eventual elimination of new cases

5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

Unified Command, City of Bellingham, State Military Department, Health Department, Emergency Management

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

6. Funding Source:

Temporary Interfund Loan from EDI Fund, General Fund and City of Bellingham contributions. The current EDI Cash balance is \$15,021,000.