

**ORDINANCE NO.**  
**AMENDMENT NO. 8 OF THE 2020 BUDGET**  
**(EMERGENCY ORDINANCE)**

**WHEREAS**, the County Executive has issued a Proclamation of Emergency to combat the spread of the COVID-19 virus; and,

**WHEREAS**, Whatcom County Code chapter 2.02.135 provides for an emergency ordinance to become immediately effective when approved by two thirds vote of the County Council and signature of the County Executive; and,

**WHEREAS**, the County Council adopted an initial emergency funding ordinance of \$250,000 on March 10, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, additional expenditure authority of \$250,000 is required to preserve the health and safety of County citizens; and,

**WHEREAS**, Washington State Department of Commerce has awarded Whatcom County Health Department a \$905,821 grant to address emergency housing needs due to the COVID-19 outbreak; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2019-2020 budget was adopted November 20, 2018; and,

**WHEREAS**, the modifications to the budget have been assembled here for deliberation by the Whatcom County Council,

**FINDINGS:** The spread of the COVID-19 virus presents a continuing threat to the health and safety of the citizens of Whatcom County. Whatcom County needs additional budget appropriation to acquire the tools and resources to effectively respond to the crisis and to provide for emergency housing needs,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Whatcom County Council that the 2019-2020 Whatcom County Budget Ordinance #2018-064 is hereby amended by adding an additional \$1,155,821 to the 2020 budget as presented herein:

Fund	Expenditures	Revenues	Net Effect
General Fund - Non Departmental	250,000	-	250,000
Homeless Housing Fund - Health	905,821	(905,821)	-
Total Supplemental	1,155,821	(905,821)	250,000

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** by the Whatcom County Council that the County Executive is authorized to transfer appropriation authority out of the COVID-19 Emergency Response cost center in Non Departmental to other funds and departments as necessary to cover COVID-19 expenditures being incurred therein.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

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Barry Buchanan, Chair of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

( ) Approved      ( ) Denied

  
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Civil Deputy Prosecutor

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Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>WHATCOM COUNTY</b>				
<b>Summary of the 2020 Supplemental Budget Ordinance No. 8</b>				
Department/Fund	Description	Increased (Decreased) Expenditure	(Increased) Decreased Revenue	Net Effect to Fund Balance (Increase) Decrease
<b>General Fund - Non Departmental</b>	To fund COVID-19 emergency response	<u>250,000</u>	-	<u>250,000</u>
<b>Homeless Housing Fund - Health</b>	To fund COVID-19 Outbreak Emergency Housing project from grant proceeds.	<u>905,821</u>	<u>(905,821)</u>	-
<b>Total Supplemental</b>		<u><b>1,155,821</b></u>	<u><b>(905,821)</b></u>	<u><b>250,000</b></u>