



Memorandum

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive
FROM: Erika Lautenbach, Director
RE: Opportunity Council – 22 North Permanent Supportive Housing Contract Amendment #4
DATE: JUNE 8, 2023

Attached is a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Opportunity Council for your review and signature.

▪ **Background and Purpose**

22 North is a 40-unit apartment building that provides affordable, permanent supportive housing for individuals exiting homelessness. This contract provides funding for the Opportunity Council to provide 24/7/365 on-site supportive services and housing for people who have behavioral health disorders and who require these services to remain stably housed. Special populations to be served at 22 North include Veterans, young adults and individuals with a history of chronic homelessness. This amendment a) extends the contract for an additional six months, through 12/31/2023, b) changes the indirect rate from 12% to 12.8% to align with the Opportunity Council’s new, federally approved indirect rate and reduces line item amounts to reflect this change, and c) adds funding to the Behavioral Health position to provide compensation for the full 6-month period of this amendment, as the previous amendment reflected a 3-month period. In 2024, the contract will align with a January through December contract period pending continued successful performance in 2023.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

Funding for this contract, in an amount not to exceed \$304,550 during this contract period (07/01/2023 – 12/31/2023) and \$838,102 during the entire contract period (07/01/2022 – 12/31/2023) is provided by the Behavioral Health Program Fund, local 1590 funding and Mental Health Millage. These funds are included in the 2023 budget. Council authorization is required as the additional funding provided by this amendment exceeds 10% of the amount authorized by Council on 03/21/2023.

▪ **Differences from Previous Contracts**

Section	Amendment Purpose
General Terms – Section 10.2 – Extension	Extends contract through 12/31/2023
Exhibit B – Compensation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revises budget to reflect a six-month contract period; Increases indirect rate from 12% to 12.8% and reduces line items to allow for this change; and Adds funding to support the Behavioral Health position for 6 months.

Please contact Ann Beck, Community Health & Human Services Manager at 360-778-6055 (ABeck@co.whatcom.wa.us) or Kathleen Roy, Financial & Administrative Manager at 360-778-6007 (KRoy@co.whatcom.wa.us), if you have any questions.