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Bennett Knox, Director
Christ Thomsen, Parks Operations Manager

MEMORANDUM

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

FROM: Dave Bramer, Parks Project Manager

THROUGH: Bennett Knox, Director

DATE: May 22, 2024

RE: East Whatcom Regional Resource Center – Community Outdoor Athletic

Facilities (COAF) Grant Application Authorizing Resolution

Enclosed you will find an Application Authorization/Resolution requesting authorization from the County Council to make an application and enter into a grant agreement with the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office for funding through the Community Outdoor Athletic Facilities (COAF) Program.

If awarded, this approximately \$1.2 million grant will be used to fund the construction of a covered multi-sport court the East Whatcom Regional Resource Center (EWRRC). The covered sport court was part of the EWRRC's original plan but was not able to be designed or constructed due to budget, staffing, and supply chain constraints. This grant would also provide funding for amenities supporting court activities including basketball hoops, nets for volleyball and pickleball, court lighting, and site furnishings.

Please feel free to contact Dave Bramer, Parks Project Manager at extension 5867 if you have any questions or concerns.