

PROPOSED BY: Executive

INTRODUCTION DATE: January 9, 2024

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL UPDATING THE  
APPENDIX OF THE 2022 COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
STRATEGY (CEDDS)**

**WHEREAS**, the Economic Development Reform Act of 1998 identifies a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDDS) as a requirement to apply for assistance under the Economic Development Administration’s (EDA) economic adjustment and public works program; and

**WHEREAS**, Public Law 105-393, implemented in 1999, amends the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 and re-authorizes Economic Development Administration Programs for five years; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2021, the Port of Bellingham, through an interlocal agreement with the county, completed the work to update the document which Council approved through Resolution 2021-046; and

**WHEREAS**, the Port of Bellingham worked with each of the municipalities to update the list to ensure new projects were added and completed projects were removed; and

**WHEREAS**, the revised project list is included in Attachment “A”, titled Updated CEDDS 2024 Project List; and

**WHEREAS**, RCW 82.14.370 requires that projects utilizing rural sales tax revenue must be contained in the County’s overall economic development plan; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Whatcom County Council hereby accepts the updated appendix as submitted by the Port of Bellingham

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Whatcom County Council officially adopts the 2024 update to the 2022 Whatcom County Economic Development Strategy Appendix.

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

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Whatcom County Council Chair

APPROVED as to form:

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