

PROPOSED BY: Executive
INTRODUCTION DATE: 02/11/25

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROJECT BUDGET FOR THE
NEW PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND JUSTICE FACILITY, REQUEST NO. 7**

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2013-003 established the project budget for a new public health, safety and justice facility construction project, and

WHEREAS, voters approved the referendum necessary to fund a new facility proposed in Ordinance 2023-039, and

WHEREAS, funds were spent on site acquisition and related consulting contracts, as well as cultivating community input and collaboration, permitting and predesign work, and

WHEREAS, the project requires additional contracted services, including but not limited to, justice facility construction project consulting, wetland mitigation consulting, geotechnical engineering, and traffic analysis, and

WHEREAS, funding will be provided for the additional contracted services by the Whatcom County Special Purpose Tax, and the interlocal agreement with the cities of Bellingham, Blaine, Everson, Ferndale, Lynden, Nooksack, and Sumas, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that Ordinance 2013-003 is hereby amended by adding \$1,000,000 of expenditure authority, to the current amended project expenditure budget of \$9,816,280, for a total amended project expenditure budget of \$10,816,280, as described in Exhibit A.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST: WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Cathy Halka, Council Clerk

Kaylee Galloway, Chair of the Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

() Approved () Denied

Approved by email/B Waldron/A Tan
Civil Deputy Prosecutor

Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

Date: _____

EXHIBIT A

NEW HEALTH, SAFETY AND JUSTICE FACILITY FUND 3502

Account	Description	Current Amended Project Budget	Amendment #7 to Ord. 2013-003	Total Amended Project Budget
Expenditures				
6190	Direct Billing Rate	\$200,000	\$500,000	\$700,000
6630	Professional Services	\$2,585,789	\$500,000	\$3,085,789
7210	Intergov Professional Services	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000
7320	Land	\$6,093,491	\$0	\$6,093,491
8597	Operating Transfer Out	\$927,000	\$0	\$927,000
		\$9,816,280	\$1,000,000	\$10,816,280
Revenues				
8397	Operating Transfer In - Gen Fund	\$2,093,491	\$0	\$2,093,491
8397	Op Trf In - Gen Fund (Not Budgeted)	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$3,000,000
8397	Operating Transfer In - Jail Fund	\$2,700,000	\$0	\$2,700,000
8397	Operating Transfer In - REET I	\$2,300,000	\$0	\$2,300,000
		\$10,093,491	\$0	\$10,093,491