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ACTION TAKEN

The Whatcom County Council adopted the following at its June 7, 2022 meeting: **ORDINANCE (2022-045) PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSITION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF WHATCOM COUNTY AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TO LIFT THE LIMIT ON REGULAR PROPERTY TAXES UNDER CHAPTER 84.55 RCW FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING FOR CHILDCARE, EARLY LEARNING PROGRAMS, AND INCREASED SUPPORT FOR VULNERABLE CHILDREN (AB2022-303)** This ordinance submits to the Whatcom County Auditor, for inclusion on the ballot in a special election to be held concurrently with the November 8, 2022, general election, a proposition to the qualified voters of the County to approve or reject a levy above the regular property tax limitations established in RCW 84.55.010 for the funding of childcare and early childhood programs to improve kindergarten readiness and funding for support of homeless and otherwise vulnerable children. The proposed levy lift authorized by this proposition would permit the County to increase its regular property tax levy by \$0.19 per \$1000 of assessed valuation for collection in 2023 (to a total regular tax levy of \$3.04 per \$1000 of assessed valuation) and to increase the levy thereafter as allowed by chapter 84.55 RCW to allow for the uninterrupted continuation of the levy lift for a total term of ten (10) years. Ordinance introduced March 24, 2022. **ORDINANCE (2022-046) AMENDING WHATCOM COUNTY CODE SECTION 3.08.095 (SMALL WORKS ROSTER CONTRACT AWARD PROCESS) TO UPDATE REQUIREMENTS FOR BIDS AND PROPOSALS (AB2022-280)** This ordinance amends Whatcom County Code Section 3.08.095 to establish procedures for acquiring services from non-profit organizations that reimburse their costs of providing services without requiring request for proposals. Ordinance introduced May 10, 2022. **ORDINANCE (2022-047) AMENDING THE 2022 WHATCOM COUNTY BUDGET, REQUEST NO. 8A, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500,000 (AB2022-319)** This ordinance amends the 2022 Whatcom County Budget as follows: From the Conservation Futures Fund, appropriate \$1,500,000 to fund purchase of conservation easement for Stewart Mountain Community Forest property - Phase I. Ordinance introduced May 24, 2022.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Whatcom County Council will hold a public hearing, consider adopting, and may amend the following at its 6 p.m. meeting on June 21, 2022, or at a later date: **ORDINANCE ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE WHATCOM COUNTY CODE TITLE 20, ZONING TO ALLOW AND REGULATE BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS (AB2021-424)** This ordinance adopts amendments to Whatcom County Code Title 20 to allow and regulate Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS), including an amendment to the lot coverage limit for BESS in the Rural zone. Ordinance introduced June 7, 2022. **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS WITH BELLINGHAM, EVERSON, LYNDEN, NOOKSACK, AND SUMAS RELATED TO URBAN GROWTH AREAS (AB2022-346)** The Council will accept public comment on a request to authorize the County Executive to enter into interlocal agreements with the cities of Bellingham, Everson, Lynden, Nooksack, and Sumas concerning planning, annexation and development within urban growth areas. The new interlocal agreements would replace existing agreements that expire on June 30, 2022.

ACTION PROPOSED (INTRODUCED)

The Whatcom County Council will consider adopting and may amend the following at its 6 p.m. meeting on June 21, 2022, or at a later date: **ORDINANCE CLOSING THE AGATE HEIGHTS/ESTATE BAY LANE STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS FUND 365 (AB2022-320)** This ordinance closes the Agate Heights/Estate Bay Lane Stormwater Improvements Fund 365 and returns remaining funds to Real Estate Excise Tax II Fund. Ordinance introduced June 7, 2022. **ORDINANCE CLOSING THE NORTHSORE DRIVE/EDGEWATER LANE STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS FUND 381 (AB2022-321)** This ordinance closes the Northshore Drive/Edgewater Lane Stormwater Improvements Fund 381 and returns remaining funds to Real Estate Excise Tax II Fund. Ordinance introduced June 7, 2022. **ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROJECT BASED BUDGET FOR THE NORTH LAKE SAMISH ROAD BRIDGE NO. 407 REPLACEMENT FUND, REQUEST NO. 1 (AB2022-326)** This ordinance appropriates an additional \$10,475,000 to fund the North Lake Samish Road Bridge No. 107 replacement project for a total budget of \$11,245,000. Ordinance introduced June 7, 2022. **ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SHALLOW SHORE CULVERT RELOCATION FUND, REQUEST NO. 1 (AB2022-327)** This ordinance appropriates an additional \$295,000 to fund the Shallow Shore Culvert Relocation project for a total budget of \$395,000. Ordinance introduced June 7, 2022. **ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2022 WHATCOM COUNTY BUDGET, REQUEST NO. 9, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,838,261 (AB2022-329)** This ordinance amends the 2022 Whatcom County Budget as follows: From the General Fund: appropriate \$59,637 in Assessor to fund a new Chief Appraiser position; appropriate \$41,000 in Health to fund moving expenses; appropriate \$17,000 in Non Departmental to partially fund a Natural Resources Environmental Manager position; appropriate \$43,706 in Prosecuting Attorney to fund a new Records Assistant position; appropriate \$67,296 in Prosecuting Attorney to fund a new Investigator Supervisor position; appropriate \$2,500 in Sheriff to fund Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force investigations from grant proceeds; appropriate \$10,236 in Sheriff to fund FN303 less-lethal projectiles. From the Road Fund: appropriate \$827,630 to fund a transfer in support of the North Lake Samish Road Bridge Replacement project budget amendment #1; appropriate \$60,946 to fund a new accounting supervisor position and reclassification of an existing clerk position. From the Swift Creek Sediment Management Fund, appropriate \$440,000 to fund 2022 and 2023 Swift Creek maintenance. From the American Rescue Plan Act Fund, appropriate \$2,200,000 to fund acquisition of affordable housing properties. From the Conservation Futures Fund, appropriate \$1,090,250 to fund two agricultural conservation easements and one forestry conservation easement partially funded by grants and ag mitigation fee proceeds. From the Real Estate Excise Tax II Fund, appropriate \$295,000 to fund a transfer in support of the Shallow Shore Culvert Relocation project. From the Public Utilities Improvement Fund, appropriate \$10,675,000 to fund Economic Development Initiative infrastructure allocations. Ordinance introduced June 7, 2022. **RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT & SUBZONES 2022 BUDGET, REQUEST NO. 3, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,250,617 (COUNCIL ACTING AS THE FLOOD CONTROL ZONE DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS) (AB2022-322)** This resolution amends the Flood Control Zone District and Subzones 2022 budget as follows: From the Flood Control Zone District Fund: appropriate \$187,075 in River & Flood to fund additional capacity in Flood by adding two new staff and reclassifying a third; appropriate \$1,950,000 in River & Flood to fund voluntary buy-out and elevation program for flood-impacted homes from grant proceeds; appropriate \$450,000 in River & Flood to fund floodplain integrated planning process from grant proceeds; appropriate \$270,000 in River & Flood to fund Timon Levee rehabilitation; appropriate \$115,000 in River & Flood to fund Upper Hampton Levee flood damage repair; appropriate \$1,200,000 in River & Flood to fund Everson Overflow pipeline bank stabilization project from FEMA funding; appropriate \$987,000 in River & Flood to fund Jones Creek deflection berm project supported by grant proceeds; recognize \$281,775 in River & Flood of increased FEMA funding for 90% reimbursement rather than 75%; appropriate \$91,542 in Natural Resources to fund Natural Resources Environmental Manager position. Resolution introduced June 7, 2022.

Public documents are available for review weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Council Office, 311 Grand Avenue, Suite 105, Bellingham, and at www.whatcomcounty.us/council. View meeting schedules, agendas, minutes, videos, documents and archives at whatcom.legistar.com. The Council is currently holding hybrid meetings, which can be attended either in person or remotely. Full Council meetings begin at 6 p.m. (unless otherwise announced) in the Council Chambers at 311 Grand Avenue. Instructions for remote participation can be found at www.whatcomcounty.us/join/virtualcouncil or by contacting the Council Office at 360-778-5010. The Council Chambers is handicapped accessible. People with special needs who will be attending Council meetings are asked to contact the Council Office (360-778-5010) at least 96 hours in advance.

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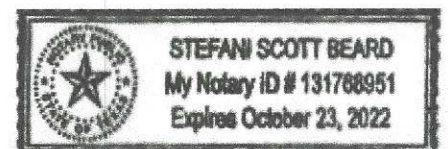
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Stephanie Hatcher
 (Principal Clerk)

Subscribed and sworn on this 13th day of June in the year of 2022 before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared before me Stephanie Hatcher known or identified to me to be the person whose name subscribed to the within instrument, and being by first duly sworn, declared that the statements therein are true, and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same.

Stefani Beard

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