



MEMORANDUM

To: Whatcom County Executive Satpal Sidhu
And Whatcom County Councilmembers

From: Billie Sue Rinn, Grants Coordinator

Subject: Washington State Military Department Grant Agreement for What-Comm

Date: July 31, 2023

Enclosed are two (2) originals of a Subrecipient Agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Bellingham (What-Comm Communications) for your review and signature.

▪ **Background and Purpose**

The City of Bellingham's What-Comm Communication Center has been receiving State Military funding in years past to support professional development and other operational expenses. This fund source is required to be processed through the County, and will be passed on by way of Subrecipient Agreement to What-Comm. The previous contract expires in August, and this is the next round of funding for a 13 month period, in the amount of \$49,050.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

This is a pass-through grant contract and the funding will come from the Washington State Military Department. The signing of this agreement is contingent upon the authorization of the supplemental budget which will be introduced to Council at the August 8th meeting.

▪ **Differences from Previous Contract**

The funding amount increased slightly for the FY2023-24 contract from \$48,476 to \$49,050.