

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A PROJECT BASED BUDGET FOR AUSTIN  
COURT STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FUND;  
SWP #SWLW23-06**

**WHEREAS**, this project upgrade is listed as item number five on the 2024-2029 Six-Year Water Resources Improvement Program for the Lake Whatcom watershed, and

**WHEREAS**, this project will install a water quality treatment facility to remove sediment and phosphorus from approximately three (3) acres of runoff from the Geneva neighborhood before entering Lake Whatcom, and

**WHEREAS**, local funding for this request will come from the Lake Whatcom Stormwater Utility fund (\$262,375.00) and from the Real Estate Excise Tax II (REET) funds (\$25,000), and

**WHEREAS**, this request includes costs associated with contracted professional services, county survey, permit assistance, permit fees, county staff time for project management, and easement and right of way acquisition, and

**WHEREAS**, additional funds are needed to cover the construction costs associated with the proposed upgrades, which will require an additional request for funds in the 2026, and

**WHEREAS**, Section 6.80 of the Whatcom County Home Rule Charter allows for project-based capital budget appropriation ordinances that lapse when the project has been completed or abandoned or when no expenditure or encumbrance has been made for three (3) years,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Whatcom County Council that a new fund is hereby established, effective immediately, titled Austin Court Stormwater Improvements Project Fund. This fund shall be used to account for the revenues and expenditures of the improvement project described above, and

1 **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** by the Whatcom County Council that the  
2 Austin Court Stormwater Improvements Project Fund is approved with an  
3 initial project budget of \$287,375.00 as described in Exhibit A.  
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6 **ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.  
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10 ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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14 Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

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Barry Buchanan, Chair of the Council

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17 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

WHATCOM COUNTY EXECUTIVE  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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19 *Christopher Quinn* electronically signed  
3-15-24

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21 Christopher Quinn  
22 Chief Deputy Prosecuting  
23 Attorney – Civil Division

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Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

( ) Approved ( ) Denied

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25 Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_