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Memo

To: The Honorable Satpal Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive, and
Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Council

Through: Jon Hutchings, Director *JPK For JH*

From: James P. Karcher, P.E., County Engineer *JPK*

Date: September 1, 2020

Re: Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), 2021-2026
Introduction, Public Hearing and Adoption

Requested Action:

As a follow-up to our August 5th work session with county council, the Department of Public Works requests that the STIP Resolution and its associated exhibits, 2021-2026 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program and 2021-2034 Fourteen-Year Ferry Capital Program, be introduced on September 15th County Council meeting. We then request that a public hearing be advertised for and held at the September 29th County Council meeting, with the resolution potentially adopted at said meeting.

Background and Purpose:

Each year the County is required to update its Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program, per RCW 35.77.010 and RCW 36.81.121. The County is also required to prepare a Fourteen-Year Ferry Capital Program each year per RCW 36.54.015 and an Annual Bridge Report per RCW 36.81.121. The STIP includes the capital elements of the first six years of the Fourteen-Year Ferry Capital Program which is Exhibit "B" of the resolution.

Information:

- 1- **Memorandum to County Executive and Council**
 - Attachment "A" – Removed, Re-ordered, and Added Projects
 - Attachment "B" - 2021-2026 Capital Projects List
 - Attachment "R1-R32, B1-B13, F1-F5, Y1-Y9" – Project Summary Sheets
 - Attachment "C1"- Road Fund Balance Projections
 - Attachment "C2"- Road Fund Revenue Projections
 - Attachment "C3"- Road Fund Expenditure Projections
 - Attachment "D" - Roadway Priority Rating Program
 - Attachment "E" – Annual Bridge Report

- 2- **2021-2026 Six Year Transportation Improvement Program Resolution**
 - Exhibit "A"- 2021-2026 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program
 - Exhibit "B"- 2021-2034 Fourteen-Year Ferry Capital Program