



Whatcom County

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Agenda Bill Master Report

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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Ordinance amending the 2025 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 12, in the amount of \$3,565,060

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

Supplemental #11 requests funding from the General Fund:

1. To appropriate \$100,000 in Clerk to fund outside conflict attorneys and experts.
2. To appropriate \$1,664 in Health to fund the onsite septic program implementation using grant funds.

From the Jail Fund:

3. To appropriate \$850,000 in Sheriff - Corrections to fund additional overtime expenses for the Corrections Bureau of the Sheriff's Office.
4. To appropriate \$130,000 in Sheriff - Corrections to fund extraordinary costs for the Corrections Bureau of the Sheriff's Office.

From the Solid Waste Fund:

5. To appropriate \$138,000 in Health to fund additional toxic waste disposal costs.

From the Real Estate Excise Tax I (REET I) Fund:

6. To appropriate \$1,500,000 in Sheriff to fund a transfer from REET I to establish a project fund for leasehold improvements for the new Sheriff's Office. This is a companion to supplemental 5290.
7. To appropriate \$17,000 in Facilities to fund emergency elevator repairs for the courthouse.

From the Administrative Services Fund:

8. To appropriate \$753,396 in AS-Human Resources to fund L&I claims.
 9. To appropriate \$75,000 in AS-Human Resources to fund fulfillment of the County's obligation to engage in collective bargaining per RCW 41.56 and County Code 2.08.010
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HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
11/18/2025	Council	INTRODUCED	Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee
		Aye: 7 Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler Nay: 0	
12/09/2025	Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee	RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION	
		Aye: 3 Byrd, Donovan, and Buchanan Nay: 0	
12/09/2025	Council	ADOPTED	
		Aye: 7 Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler Nay: 0	

Attachments: Proposed Ordinance, Summary Listing, Summary by Fund, Supplemental Requests, Notice of Action Proposed on 11.18.2025

PROPOSED BY: EXECUTIVE
INTRODUCTION DATE: 11/18/2025

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-064
AMENDMENT NO.12 OF THE 2025 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the 2025-2026 budget was adopted November 19, 2024; and

WHEREAS, changing circumstances require modifications to the approved 2025-2026 budget;
and

WHEREAS, the modifications to the budget have been assembled here for deliberation by the
Whatcom County Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that the 2025-2026
Whatcom County Budget Ordinance #2024-057 is hereby amended by adding the following additional
amounts to the 2025 budget included therein:

Fund	Expenditures	Revenues	Net Effect
General Fund 1000	101,664	(12,764)	88,900
Jail Fund 1350	980,000	-	980,000
Solid Waste Fund 1857	138,000	-	138,000
Real Estate Excise Tax I (REET I) Fund 3241	1,517,000	-	1,517,000
Administrative Services Fund 5500	828,396	(243,144)	585,252
Total Supplemental	3,565,060	(255,908)	3,309,152

ADOPTED this 9th day of December, 2025.

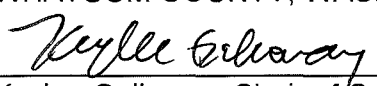
ATTEST:


Cathy Halka, Council Clerk


APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Kaylee Galloway, Chair of Council

☒ Approved () Denied


Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

Date: 12-15-25