



Whatcom County

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Agenda Bill Master Report

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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Ordinance amending the 2026 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 8, in the amount of \$8,914,924

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

Supplemental #8 requests funding from the General Fund:

1. To appropriate \$11,812 in Sheriff to fund equipment purchases using grant funds.
2. To appropriate \$16,500 in District Court to fund mediation services using surcharge revenue.
3. To appropriate \$50,000 in County Clerk to fund digital evidence software and computer workstations using grant funds.
4. To appropriate \$121,000 in Superior Court to fund water adjudication support using grant funds.
5. To appropriate \$53,302 in Non-Departmental to fund companion to supplemental 5440, generator maintenance.

From the Community Priorities Fund:

6. To appropriate \$40,381 in Health to fund food insecurity contracts.

From the Jail Fund:

7. To appropriate \$21,483 in Jail to fund companion to supplemental 5440, generator maintenance.

From the Behavioral Health Program Fund:

8. To appropriate \$86,448 in Health to fund LEAD program evaluation using grant funds.
9. To appropriate \$1,300,000 in Health to fund Whatcom County youth mental health services.

From the Solid Waste Fund:

10. To appropriate \$50,000 in Health to fund disposal of toxic waste contracting.
11. To appropriate \$60,000 in Health to fund solid waste disposal plan revision.

From the Road Fund:

12. To appropriate \$2,871,903 in Public Works to fund companion to supplemental 5393, Lummi Nation Uplands Lease Payment.
13. To appropriate \$250,000 in Public Works to fund Drayton Harbor landslide project, partially using grant funds.
14. To appropriate \$1,500,000 in Public Works to fund Truck Road Emergency Repair, partially using grant funds.
15. To appropriate \$11,250 in Public Works to fund companion to supplemental 5447, Lummi Island Terminal Emergency Repairs.
16. To appropriate \$5,845 in Public Works to fund companion to supplemental 5440, generator maintenance.

From the Lake Whatcom Stormwater Utility Fund:

17. To appropriate \$488,022 in Public Works to fund companion to supplemental 5435, Austin Ct Stormwater Improvement.

From the Real Estate Excise Tax II Fund:

18. To appropriate \$151,978 in Non-Departmental to fund companion to supplemental 5435, Austin Ct Stormwater Improvement.

From the Real Estate Excise Tax I Fund:

19. To appropriate \$1,670,000 in AS-Facilities to fund Elevator Replacement Program.

From the Public Utilities Improvement Fund:

20. To appropriate \$45,000 in Non-Departmental to fund KCLT - La Freniere Project Fees.

From the Ferry Fund:

21. To appropriate \$25,000 in Public Works to fund Lummi Island Terminal Emergency Repairs.

From the Administrative Services Fund:

22. To appropriate \$85,000 in AS-Facilities to fund Generator Maintenance and Load Testing.

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
05/12/2026	Council	INTRODUCED	Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee
		Aye: 7 Nay: 0	Boyle, Buchanan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Rienstra, Scanlon, and Stremler
05/26/2026	Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee	RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION	
		Aye: 7 Nay: 0	Boyle, Buchanan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Rienstra, Scanlon, and Stremler

05/26/2026 Council

ADOPTED

Aye: 7 Boyle, Buchanan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Rienstra, Scanlon, and Stremler

Nay: 0

Attachments: Proposed Ordinance, Summary Listing, Summary by Fund, Supplemental Requests, Notice of Action Proposed on 5.12.2026

PROPOSED BY: Executive
INTRODUCED: May 12, 2026

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-029

AMENDMENT NO. 8 OF THE 2026 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that 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 2026 budget included therein:

Fund	Expenditures	Revenues	Net Effect
General Fund 1000	252,614	(199,312)	53,302
Community Priorities Fund 1247	40,381	-	40,381
Jail Fund 1350	21,483	-	21,483
Behavioral Health Program Fund 1853	1,386,448	(342,570)	1,043,878
Solid Waste Fund 1857	110,000	-	110,000
Road Fund 1900	4,638,998	(1,335,000)	3,303,998
Lake Whatcom Stormwater Utility Fund 1903	488,022	-	488,022
Real Estate Excise Tax II Fund 3240	151,978	-	151,978
Real Estate Excise Tax I Fund 3241	1,670,000	-	1,670,000
Public Utilities Improvement Fund 3242	45,000	-	45,000
Ferry Fund 4900	25,000	(11,250)	13,750
Administrative Services Fund 5500	85,000	(80,630)	4,370
Total Supplemental	8,914,924	(1,968,762)	6,946,162

ADOPTED this 26th day of May, 2026

ATTEST

Cathy Halla, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Approved by Email BWaldron/ATan
Civil Deputy Prosecutor

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Kaylee Galloway

Kaylee Galloway, Council Chair

WHATCOM COUNTY EXECUTIVE
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Satpal Sidhu

Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

(☒) Approved () Denied

Date Signed: 6/3/26