

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CENTRAL SHOP UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK
REMOVAL PROJECT BASED BUDGET**

WHEREAS, Whatcom County Public Works owns a previously operational underground storage tank (UST) is subject to WAC 173-360A-0110 and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 USC Sec. 6901 et seq; and

WHEREAS, as to be in compliance with WAC 173-360A-0750, Whatcom County reported a release in February 2020 to the Department of Ecology; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Ecology assigned the Cleanup Site ID #12308 to the release; and

WHEREAS, as to be in compliance with WAC 173-360A-0750 Whatcom County is required to investigate and clean up the site in accordance with WAC 173-340 also as known as the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA); and

WHEREAS, to be in compliance with MTCA, Whatcom County shall remove the underground storage tanks, clean up and remediate contaminated soils near 901 West Smith Road, Bellingham, WA 98226; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Ecology requires the County to achieve these mandated water quality improvements as soon as feasibly possible; and

WHEREAS, this request includes costs associated with contracted professional engineering services, county survey and permit assistance, permit fees, county staff time for project management and the construction contract; and

WHEREAS, all local funding for this request will come from the Road Fund, Equipment Revolving & Replacement Fund, Flood Fund, Stormwater Fund, REET I Fund and General Fund; 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,

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that a new fund is hereby established, effective immediately, known as the Central Shop Underground Storage Tank Removal Project Fund. This fund shall be used to account for the revenues and expenditures related to the project listed above; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that the Central Shop Underground Storage Tank Removal Project Fund is approved with an initial project budget, as described in Exhibit A, of \$2,241,000.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2024.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Cathy Halka, Clerk of the Council

Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Approved by email/ Quinn 11/13/2024
Christopher Quinn,
Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
Civil Division

Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

() Approved () Denied

Date Signed: _____

Exhibit A

Exhibit A		
Central Shop Underground Storage Tank Removal		
Expenditures		
Account	Descriptions	Total Project Budget
Expenditures		
6110	Wages	\$41,000
6290	Applied Benefits	\$29,000
6630	Professional Services	\$180,000
6699	Other Services Interfund	\$8,000
7190	Other Misc Interfund	\$3,000
7380	Other Improvements	\$1,980,000
		\$2,241,000
Revenues		
Account	Description	Total Project Budget
8301.108	Road Fund	\$273,819
8301.501	ER&R Fund	\$10,035
8301.169	Flood Fund	\$15,776
8301.123	Stormwater Fund	\$652
8301.001	General Fund	\$712,718
8301.326	REET I Fund	\$1,228,000
		\$2,241,000