



Whatcom County

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Agenda Bill Master Report

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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Emergency ordinance amending the 2020 Whatcom County Budget, request no. 8, in the amount of \$1,155,821

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

Supplemental #8 requests funding from the General Fund:

1. To appropriate \$250,000 in Non Departmental to fund COVID-19 emergency response.
2. To authorize budget authority for new funding granted from the Washington State Department of Commerce for the purposes of providing emergency housing options necessary to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak in the amount of \$905,821

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
03/24/2020	Council	ADOPTED	
		Aye: 7	Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Frazey, Elenbaas, and Kershner
		Nay: 0	
		Absent: 0	

Attachments: proposed supplementals, Ordinance

PROPOSED BY: Executive
INTRODUCTION DATE: 3/24/2020

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-012

**AMENDMENT NO. 8 OF THE 2020 BUDGET
(EMERGENCY ORDINANCE)**

WHEREAS, the County Executive has issued a Proclamation of Emergency to combat the spread of the COVID-19 virus; and,

WHEREAS, Whatcom County Code chapter 2.02.135 provides for an emergency ordinance to become immediately effective when approved by two thirds vote of the County Council and signature of the County Executive; and,

WHEREAS, the County Council adopted an initial emergency funding ordinance of \$250,000 on March 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, additional expenditure authority of \$250,000 is required to preserve the health and safety of County citizens; and,

WHEREAS, Washington State Department of Commerce has awarded Whatcom County Health Department a \$905,821 grant to address emergency housing needs due to the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, the 2019-2020 budget was adopted November 20, 2018; and,

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

FINDINGS: The spread of the COVID-19 virus presents a continuing threat to the health and safety of the citizens of Whatcom County. Whatcom County needs additional budget appropriation to acquire the tools and resources to effectively respond to the crisis and to provide for emergency housing needs,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that the 2019-2020 Whatcom County Budget Ordinance #2018-064 is hereby amended by adding an additional \$1,155,821 to the 2020 budget as presented herein:

Fund	Expenditures	Revenues	Net Effect
General Fund - Non Departmental	250,000	-	250,000
Homeless Housing Fund - Health	905,821	(905,821)	-
Total Supplemental	1,155,821	(905,821)	250,000


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that the County Executive is authorized to transfer appropriation authority out of the COVID-19 Emergency Response cost center in Non Departmental to other funds and departments as necessary to cover COVID-19 expenditures being incurred therein.

ADOPTED this 24th day of March, 2020.

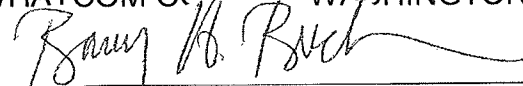
ATTEST:


Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

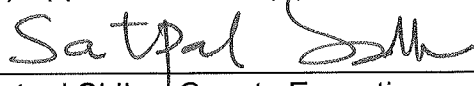
APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Civil Deputy Prosecutor

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY WASHINGTON


Barry Buchanan, Chair of Council

Approved Denied


Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

Date: 03.24.2020

WHATCOM COUNTY				
Summary of the 2020 Supplemental Budget Ordinance No. 8				
Department/Fund	Description	Increased (Decreased) Expenditure	(Increased) Decreased Revenue	Net Effect to Fund Balance (Increase) Decrease
General Fund - Non Departmental	To fund COVID-19 emergency response	<u>250,000</u>	-	<u>250,000</u>
Homeless Housing Fund - Health	To fund COVID-19 Outbreak Emergency Housing project from grant proceeds.	<u>905,821</u>	<u>(905,821)</u>	-
Total Supplemental		<u>1,155,821</u>	<u>(905,821)</u>	<u>250,000</u>