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Memorandum

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

Through: Jon Hutchings, Director

From: James P. Karcher, P.E., County Engineer *JPK*
James E. Lee, P.E., Engineering Manager *JEL*

Date: June 21, 2022

Re: Maple Beach Seawall Repair
Work Order No. 21936
Approval for Award of Construction Contract, Bid No. 22-36

Attached for your review and signature is the standard construction contract award package for the above-referenced project. This package includes the approval for contract award, bid tabulation and low bid proposal.

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Council authorize the County Executive to sign the Approval for Contract Award to Tiger Construction, Ltd. for the Maple Beach Seawall Repair, Work Order No. 21936. Upon receipt of the signed Approval for Contract Award form, Public Works will submit the construction contract to the County Executive for contract execution.

Background and Purpose

Bid proposals for the project were opened at 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 14, 2022. A total of one (1) responsive bid was received, with **Tiger Construction, Ltd.** being the lowest and only responsible bidder in the amount of \$79,500.00. The bid tabulation is attached to this memorandum.

While this bid is substantially higher than the engineer's estimate of \$52,747.20 we are recommending award based on a number of factors. The project site is located in Point Roberts which requires two border crossings to reach and there are still some COVID-19 related crossing requirements and the project has some tidal constraints which will affect the work schedule. Both of these items have undoubtedly affected the bidding process. Finally, we do not believe that if we were to advertise this project again that a more competitive bid would be received.

Funding Amount and Source

This project is being funded out of the Maintenance and Operations budget and there is sufficient budget authority for this expenditure. Please contact Kevin Thompson at extension 6297 if you have any questions or concerns regarding this contract.

In accordance with W.C.C. 3.08.030, I concur with this recommendation:

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