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MEMORANDUM

To: Whatcom County Executive Satpal Sidhu and Whatcom County Councilmembers
From: Jake Logan, Grants Coordinator
Subject: Washington State Military Department Pass-through to CoB for What-Comm
Date: September 23rd, 2025

Enclosed is one (1) original of a Subrecipient Agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Bellingham (What-Comm Communications) for your review and signature.

Background and Purpose

The City of Bellingham's What-Comm Communication Center has historically received State Military funding to support professional development and other operational expenses. This funding source is required to be processed through Whatcom County and subsequently passed on to What-Comm via a Subrecipient Agreement. The previous contract for this funding expired in August. This enclosed agreement represents the next round of funding for a 13-month period, specifically for the FY2025-26 contract.

Funding Amount and Source

This agreement represents a pass-through grant contract, with the funding originating from the Washington State Military Department. The maximum amount allocated to the Agency for this agreement is \$74,045.

Differences from Previous Contract

This FY2025-26 contract, identified as Washington State Military Department Contract Number E26-051, is similar to the prior FY2024-25 contract. A notable difference is that the 2025-26 contract adds a new reimbursement category, CPD8 - 911 PSAP Salaries. Up to \$20,000 for FY26 is authorized for salaries and benefits for specific positions in the 911 PSAP Center. The prior contract for FY2024-25 had a funding amount of \$52,900, which was an increase from \$49,050. The current FY2025-26 contract amount is \$74,045.

Please Contact Jake Logan at extension 5211 if you have any questions.

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