

PROPOSED BY: Executive
INTRODUCTION DATE: 11/10/20

ORDINANCE NO. _____

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROJECT BUDGET FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO SYSTEM FUND, REQUEST NO. 2

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2018-073 established the preliminary project budget for Phase I of the public safety radio system replacement project; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, new backbone microwaves were installed at Mount Constitution, Post Point, Lummi Island and Point Roberts; and

WHEREAS, the 2020 work strengthened and repaired problems with the county's radio network, it did not provide redundancy for the backbone, and

WHEREAS, additional budget authority is needed to provide redundancy through the installation of an additional microwave from the Point Roberts tower to the leased tower at H Street, and an additional microwave link to the Customs/Border Patrol tower in Blaine, and

WHEREAS, the link to the Customs/Border Patrol tower will provide the primary redundancy for the Whatcom County Integrated Public Safety Radio System backbone, and

WHEREAS, funding in the amount of \$187,395 is available from the county portion of the Public Utilities Improvement (EDI) Fund and \$50,000 from the Fire Agency Radio Service (FARS) group,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that Ordinance 2018-073 is hereby amended by adding \$237,395 of expenditure authority effective January 1, 2021, as described in Exhibit A, to the current project budget of \$451,158, for a total amended project budget of \$688,553.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2020.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of Council

Barry Buchanan, Chair of the Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Approved by email/C Quinn/M Caldwell
Civil Deputy Prosecutor

Satpal Sidhu, County Executive
Date: _____