



MEMORANDUM

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

THROUGH: Elizabeth Kosa, Interim Public Works Director

FROM: Kraig Olason, Stormwater Program Manager

DATE: January 10, 2023

RE: Supplemental Budget Request No. 2 for the Shallow Shore Culvert
Relocation Project

Requested Action

Please find attached for approval a supplemental budget request from Public Works Stormwater for the Shallow Shore Culvert Relocation Project.

Background and Purpose

This project was ranked as the highest priority project in the Lake Samish Basin Comprehensive Stormwater Plan, adopted by County Council in 2014 (Resolution 2014-014). The estimated total cost for the project is \$530,000 and will be funded by Real Estate Excise Tax (REET II) funds.

The initial supplemental budget request in October 2020 for \$100,000 (Ordinance 2020-071) included costs for design and permitting. The supplemental budget request in June 2022 (Ordinance 2022-052), in the amount of \$295,000, was intended to cover costs associated with project construction. Bids were solicited on July 11, 2022 with only two responses. The lowest responsible bidder's proposal was \$55,000 above the engineer's estimate. Therefore, this supplemental budget request, in the amount of \$135,000, is intended to cover the additional project costs caused by the continuing escalation in construction costs and to cover the additional time required to complete this project. The project is scheduled for construction in the summer of 2023, subject to approval of the requested construction funds.

Funding Amount and Source

This request, in the amount of \$135,000, will be funded by a transfer from the REET II fund.

Please contact Kraig Olason at extension 6301 if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.