



MEMORANDUM

To: Whatcom County Council Members
From: Mike Hilley, EMS Manager
Subject: Interlocal Agreement to cover the construction costs to house a Paramedic Unit in Lynden, WA at Fire Station 75
Date: January 27, 2022

BACKGROUND:

Whatcom County Council approved budget authority for costs associated with the implementation of a 5th Medic Unit. Costs include construction upgrades to Lynden Fire Station 75 in order to house a Paramedic Unit. Upgrades will accommodate up to three Firefighter/Paramedics with living spaces (bedrooms, storage of medical equipment and supplies, personal protective equipment and indoor parking/storage of a Paramedic Unit funded by the current Whatcom County Emergency Medical Services (WCEMS) Levy.

FUNDING SOURCE:

The WCEMS Levy will pay for the one-time cost associated with the implementation of a Paramedic Unit serving Whatcom County. Construction costs represent \$60,000 each for two room and ½ the cost of a third room for a total payment of \$150,000.

ACTION:

Request authority to enter into the interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and the City of Lynden Fire Department for the construction upgrades made to Lynden Fire Station 75 in order to house a Paramedic Unit.