

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**ORDERING THE CLOSURE OF A PORTION OF MANLEY ROAD TO MOTORIZED
VEHICULAR TRAFFIC**

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Council has been requested by residents of Manley Road and adjacent property owners to close a portion of Manley Road to motorized vehicular traffic northwesterly of Pacific Highway; and

WHEREAS, the closure is requested because illegal dumping has taken place in that area for many years and efforts to stop the dumping have been ineffective, and because of frequent trespass and illegal activities on adjoining vacant property; and

WHEREAS, Manley Road dead ends with no residential structures beyond the proposed closure location; and

WHEREAS, the County Council held a public hearing on the proposed closure on May 4, 2021, and is authorized to close the road according to the provisions of RCW 36.32.120.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that the Public Works Department is hereby directed, subject to further consideration for re-establishing access for adjoining property owners, to close Manley Road to motorized vehicular traffic from approximately 0.98 miles northwesterly of Pacific Highway to the end of the Manley Road right-of-way; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that as a condition of closure, the requesting Manley Road residents will install proper signs, vehicle and pedestrian gate, allowing pedestrian and non-motorized access along said portion of Manley Road, as approved by Whatcom County Public Works through a Revocable Encroachment Permit. The County will continue to maintain Manley Road past the gate to allow for pedestrian and bicyclist use.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2021.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

() Approved () Denied

Approved by Christopher Quinn by email/DR
Christopher Quinn
Sr. Deputy Prosecuting Attorney,
Civil Division

Satpal Singh Sidhu, Executive

Date: _____