



Whatcom County

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Agenda Bill Report

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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Ordinance amending the project budget for the Public Safety Radio System Fund, request no. 4

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

Requests appropriation of \$500,000 to fund Phase 4-a microwave connection from Squalicum Mountain to Post Point via Lookout Mountain-for a total project budget of \$1,488,553.

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
01/09/2024	Council	INTRODUCED	Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee
		Aye: 7 Nay: 0	Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler
01/23/2024	Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee	RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION	
		Aye: 3 Nay: 0	Byrd, Galloway, and Donovan
01/23/2024	Council	ADOPTED	
		Aye: 7 Nay: 0	Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler

Attachments: Proposed Ordinance, Supplemental Budget Request

PROPOSED BY: Executive
INTRODUCTION DATE: 1/9/23

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-004

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROJECT BUDGET FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO SYSTEM FUND, REQUEST NO. 4

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, in 2021, to provide redundancy, 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 were installed; and,

WHEREAS, in 2023 the equipment was purchased for Phase 3 (Southern Ring) which is awaiting state grant funding for the installation of the equipment in 2024; and,

WHEREAS, in 2024 the project will progress to Phase 4 which is a microwave connection from Squalicum Mountain to Post Point via Lookout Mountain; and,

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office has received a \$500,000 grant from the United States Department of Justice through the FY 2023 Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Technology and Equipment Program,


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that Ordinance 2018-073 is hereby amended by adding \$500,000 of expenditure authority, as described in Exhibit A, to the current project budget of \$988,553, for a total amended project budget of \$1,488,553.

ADOPTED this 23rd day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:


Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of Council

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Barry Buchanan, Chair of the Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Approved by email/C Quinn/A Tan
Civil Deputy Prosecutor

Approved () Denied



Satpal Sidhu, County Executive
Date: 1/25/2024

Exhibit A

PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO SYSTEM Amendment #4

Account	Description	Current Amended Project Budget	Amendment #4 to Ord. 2018-073	Total Amended Project Budget
Expenditures				
7410	Equipment-Capital Outlay	\$ 988,553	\$ 500,000	\$ 1,488,553
		\$ 988,553	\$ 500,000	\$ 1,488,553
Revenues				
4331.1671	COPS More Grant	\$ 300,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 800,000
4337.0002	Local Grants (FARS)	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 50,000
8301.332	EDI (Public Utilities Improvement Fund)	\$ 638,553	\$ -	\$ 638,553
		\$ 988,553	\$ 500,000	\$ 1,488,553