# WHATCOM COUNTY Parks & Recreation 3373 Mount Baker Highway

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Bennett Knox, Director Christ Thomsen, Parks Operations Manager

# **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Satpal Sidhu, County Executive and Members of Council

**FROM:** 

Bennett Knox, Director of Parks

DATE:

December 12, 2024

RE:

Contract for Services – Blaine Senior Activity Center

Enclosed for your review and signature is Interlocal Agreement between Whatcom County Parks and the City of Blaine.

## **Background and Purpose**

This interlocal agreement provides funding to the City of Blaine to contract for provision of senior services, including staffing and operation, at the Blaine Community Center. The Scope of Work for this agreement includes coordination of daily on-site operations, programming, enforcement of safety procedures, and management of volunteer opportunities

#### **Funding Amount and Source**

Included in the Parks Senior Services budget, this contract will be funded by the General Fund in the amount of \$174,182; \$85,804 in 2025 and \$88,378 in 2026.

### **Changes from Prior Agreement**

The current agreement replaces WCC 202209049 which expires at the end of 2024. The current agreement includes a \$46,722 increase in funding from the prior 2-year agreement). Also, the City of Blaine has requested a change to remove reference to a specific service provider (i.e., Blaine Senior Center) so that the City may have the flexibility to select another service provider if they so choose. This change does not alter the provision of services intended by the interlocal agreement.