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MEMORANDUM

To: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive
From: Mike Hilley, EMS Manager
Re: WCFD7 Unanticipated Mechanical Costs/Medic Unit 45
Date: August 1, 2023

- **Background and Purpose**

Fire Protection District 7 operates Paramedic Medic Unit 45 as one of two lead agencies for the Whatcom County EMS Advanced Life Support Program. In May of 2023, Medic 45 suffered a catastrophic mechanical failure requiring the replacement of the diesel engine. While the EMS Levy provides for routine maintenance of the vehicles, there is not a funding source/line item for unanticipated events such as major mechanical repairs.

The EMS Oversight Board is recommending providing \$6,154.91 to Fire District 7 as a cost shared agreement for the \$12,309.82 engine replacement where the county council granted budget authority for the agreement.

- **Funding Amount and Source**

Funding amount is not to exceed \$6,154.91 and the funding source is the EMS Levy Fund.

Please contact Mike Hilley at (360) 927-1155 if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.