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MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable County Executive Satpal Singh Sidhu and Honorable Members of the County Council

Through: Jon Hutchings, Director *EAK FOR PWDIR*

From: Andrew Hester, Real Estate Coordinator *AH*

Date: February 23, 2021

Re: A Resolution Granting a Quit Claim Deed/Partial Release of Easement Rights to the City of Bellingham

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Enclosed is a resolution requesting the approval of a quit claim deed/partial release of easement rights to the City of Bellingham.

**Requested Action**

Public Works respectfully requests that the Whatcom County Council take action on the proposed resolution to approve the quit claim deed/partial release of easement rights to the City of Bellingham.

**Background and Purpose**

Whatcom County owns a drainage easement located off of Northwest Drive that currently encumbers City of Bellingham property. The City of Bellingham will be using the property as part of a wetland mitigation bank and it is necessary for the drainage easement to be released to accomplish that. The City of Bellingham has requested that Whatcom County release the portion its drainage easement that encumbers the property. Whatcom County Public Works evaluated the drainage easement and determined that it is no longer needed and is supportive of releasing all interest in the portion of the drainage easement currently encumbering the City of Bellingham property.

**Funding Amount and Source**

No County funds are being expended on this agreement.

Please contact me at extension 6216 if you have any questions or concerns regarding this resolution.

Encl.