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Agenda Bill Master Report

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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Ordinance amending the project budget for the E. Smith/Hannegan Road Intersection Improvements
Fund, request no. 4

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

See memo

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
07/08/2025	Council	INTRODUCED	Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee
		Aye: 7 Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler Nay: 0	
07/22/2025	Council Finance and Administrative Services Committee	RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION	
		Aye: 3 Byrd, Donovan, and Buchanan Nay: 0	
07/22/2025	Council	ADOPTED	
		Aye: 7 Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Galloway, Scanlon, and Stremler Nay: 0	

Attachments: Staff Memo, Proposed Ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-037

**ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROJECT BUDGET FOR THE E.
SMITH/HANNEGAN ROAD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS FUND,
REQUEST NO. 4**

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2018-057 established the E. Smith/Hannegan Road Intersection Improvements Fund in 2018 granting expenditure authority to for the multi-year project, and;

WHEREAS, the project secured \$3,952,642 of outside funding commitments (\$2.5 million federal Surface Transportation Block Grant funds, \$1 million federal Highway Safety Improvement Program funds, and \$452,642 federal Carbon Reduction Program funds), and;

WHEREAS, Physical Completion of the construction contract was issued on January 22, 2025, and the project progressing through the project closeout phase, and;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to supplement the project-based budget to balance the budgets of each phase of the project and return any unnecessary funds remaining in each of the project's phases back to the road fund, and;

WHEREAS, the East Smith & Hannegan Road Intersection Improvements Project was confirmed as item number 5 on the Council approved 2025 Annual Construction Program, and;

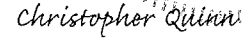
1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Whatcom County Council that
2 Ordinance No 2018-057, is hereby further amended by reducing expenditure
3 authority as described in Exhibit A, to the amended project budget total of
4 \$7,975,000 for a new total of \$7,342,730.

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6 **ADOPTED** this 22nd day of July, 2025.

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9 ATTEST

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12 Cathy Halka, Clerk of the Council

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16 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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19 Christopher Quinn
20 Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Kaylee Galloway, Chair of the Council

WHATCOM COUNTY EXECUTIVE
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Satpal Singh Sidhu, County Executive

(X) Approved () Denied

Date Signed: July 28, 2025

Supplemental Budget Request

Public Works

Engineering Design/Const

Suppl ID # 4994

Fund 3909 Cost Center 39091000 Originator: Andrew Tischleder

Expenditure Type: One-Time Year 1 2025 Add'l FTE ☐ Add'l Space ☐ Priority 1

Name of Request: E Smith Hannegan Intersection Fund Amend #4

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Department Head Signature (Required on Hard Copy Submission)

Date

Costs:	Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
	6630 .59512	Professional services	(\$14,558)
	7320 .59520	Land	(\$14,792)
	7380 .59530	Other improvements	(\$602,920)
	8597 .19008011	Transfers out	\$632,270
	Request Total		\$0

1a. Description of request:

The intersection of E. Smith and Hannegan Roads is located in Sections 28, 29, 32, 33, T39N, R3E and experiences delays due to lack of left-turn channelization on Smith Road. This project is listed #5 on the 2025 Annual Construction Program. A multi-lane roundabout has been constructed at this intersection. The construction roundabout was opened to the public on August 7, 2024, and the project was considered physically complete on January 22, 2025.

This request is to balance the budgets of each project phase and return any remaining and unnecessary funds in the project-based budget back into the Road Fund. This supplemental budget request aligns with Director Kosa's Public Works Quarterly Update to Council on 5/13/2025 (AB2025-352) that project based budget clawbacks would be proposed for Road Fund allocated cash that would not be needed in 2025. The Road Fund will provide the cash needed for 2026 through the 2026 Annual Construction Program, which will be approved by Council in November 2025.

Companion supplement 4995-Comp SBR to #4994- E Smith Hann Inter Fund Amend 4, returns excess funds back to the Road Fund.

1b. Primary customers:

All road users who travel on the Hannegan and Smith Road corridors.

2. Problem to be solved:

The main purpose of the intersection improvements was to improve traffic operations and increase multi-modal safety.

3a. Options / Advantages:

N/A

3b. Cost savings:

Potential costs savings are realized by an improved level of service for the motoring public and potential decrease in motor vehicle accidents.

4a. Outcomes:

This project has provided a more efficient and safer intersection at the Smith and Hannegan intersection.

4b. Measures:

The project was successfully constructed and was opened to the motoring public on August 7, 2024. The

Monday, June 23, 2025

Rpt: Rpt Suppl Regular

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Fund 3909 **Cost Center** 39091000 **Originator:** Andrew Tischleder

new measure of success will be completing all project closeout paperwork, and filing Notice of Completion with the State.

5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

N/A

5b. Name the person in charge of implementation and what they are responsible for:

N/A

6. Funding Source:

The Road Fund has funded the preliminary engineering and right-of-way phases of the project. The construction phase of the project will be partially funded by the Road Fund, but also funded by federal funds that have been secured for the project. The project secured \$3,952,642 of outside federal funding commitments (\$2.5 million federal Surface Transportation Block Grant funds, \$1 million federal Highway Safety Improvement Program funds, and \$452,642 federal Carbon Reduction Program funds).

Exhibit "A"

Project Based Budget - Budget Request Tracking Sheet

Project Title: **E. Smith Road & Hannegan Road Intersection**

Improvements Project Codes: **CRP No. 914002; Cost Center 39091000**

Project Based Budget Request: **No. 4**

Duration Requested: **1 yr (2025)**

Budget Account	Project Activity	Current Approved Project Budget	Amended Project Budget Request	New Approved Project Budget
595110	Preliminary Engineering (In-House & Consultant)	\$950,000	-\$14,558	\$935,442
595200	Right of Way	\$775,000	-\$14,792	\$760,208
595300	Construction	\$5,750,000	-\$602,920	\$5,147,080
595120	Construction Engineering (In-House &	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000
8597	Consultant) Operating Transfer Out- Road Fund	\$0	\$632,270	\$632,270
TOTAL		\$7,975,000	\$0	\$7,975,000

Object Account	Project Funding	Current Approved Project Revenue	Amended Project Revenue Request	New Approved Project Revenue
8301	Local Funds (transfer from Road Fund)	\$4,022,358		\$4,022,358
4333	Federal STBG Funds (Reimbursement for	\$2,500,000		\$2,500,000
4333	construction)* Federal HSIP Funds (Reimbursement for	\$1,000,000		\$1,000,000
4333	construction)* Federal CRP Funds (Reimbursement for	\$452,642		\$452,642
	construction)*			
TOTAL		\$7,975,000	\$0	\$7,975,000

*HSIP = Highway Safety Improvement
Program

*STBG = Surface Transportation Block Grant

*CRP = Carbon Reduction Program