

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE GENEVA BIORETENTION PILOT PROJECT
FUND AND ESTABLISHING A PROJECT BASED BUDGET FOR THE GENEVA
BIORETENTION PILOT PROJECT FUND**

WHEREAS, the Geneva Bioretention Pilot Project is listed as item number three on the 2022-2027 Six-Year Water Resources Improvement Program for the Lake Whatcom watershed with anticipated total cost of \$1,489,250, and

WHEREAS, this project will improve water quality in Lake Whatcom through installation of a bioretention facility, utilizing a newly-developed High Performance Bioretention Soil Mix to provide treatment for total suspended solids, dissolved copper, dissolved zinc, and total phosphorus, and

WHEREAS, funding for this project will be provided by a Water Quality Combined Financial Assistance Agreement titled "High-Performance Bioretention Pilot to Improve Regional Water Quality," with the Washington State Department of Ecology in the amount of \$971,250, and by local funding in the amount of \$250,000 from Real Estate Excise Tax II funds and \$268,000 from Lake Whatcom Stormwater Utility funds (including 15% contingency), and

WHEREAS, Section 6.80 of the Whatcom County Home Rule Charter allows for project-based capital budget appropriation ordinances that lapse when the project has been completed or abandoned or when no expenditure or encumbrance has been made for three (3) years,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that a new fund is hereby established, effective immediately, titled Geneva Bioretention Pilot Project Fund. This fund shall be used to account for the revenues and expenditures of the improvement project described above, and

1 **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** by the Whatcom County Council that the
2 Geneva Bioretention Pilot Project Fund is approved as described in Exhibit A with a
3 project budget of 1,489,250.

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6 **ADOPTED** this ____ day of _____, 2022.

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9 ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council

Chair of the Council

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16 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

WHATCOM COUNTY EXECUTIVE
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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19 Approved by email/C Quinn/M Caldwell
20 Christopher Quinn
21 Senior Deputy Prosecuting
22 Attorney – Civil Division

Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

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24 Date Signed: _____
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