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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Resolution amending the 2023 Flood Control Zone District & Subzones Budget, request no. 1, in the amount of \$12,096,245 (Council acting as the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

Supplemental #1 requests from the Flood Control Zone District Fund:

- 1. To appropriate \$2,517,712 to fund the elevation of homes, from grant proceeds, of fourteen properties to mitigate future flood damages.
- 2. To appropriate \$9,578,533 to fund the acquisition of fifteen properties with structures that were substantially damaged, from grant proceeds.
- 3. To amend Exhibit B Flood Capital Program to allow transfer of unused budget authority from Jones Creek Deflection Berm and Truck Road 2020 Damage projects to Marine Drive Levee 2020 Damage Repair project.

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

Date: **Acting Body:** Action:

Sent To:

04/11/2023 Council

INTRODUCED

Council Finance and Administrative Services

Committee

Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, Galloway, and Kershner

Nay: 0

04/25/2023 Council Finance and Administrative

RECOMMENDED FOR

Services Committee

APPROVAL Donovan, Frazey, and Kershner

Aye: 3 Nay: 0

04/25/2023 Council

APPROVED

Aye: 7 Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, Galloway, and Kershner

Nay: 0

Attachments: Proposed Resolution, Budget Supplemental Requests

PROPOSED BY: Public Works INTRODUCTION DATE: 04/11/23

RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - 009

(A resolution of the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors)

AMENDMENT NO. 1 OF THE 2023 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the 2023 budget for the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District and Subzones was adopted November 22, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, changing circumstances require modifications to the approved 2023 budget; and,

WHEREAS, numerous residences were impacted by the November 2021 floods throughout the County. One method of mitigating future flood risk is elevation of structures above the flood elevation; and,

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has recognized that mitigation of flood damages improves resiliency of communities; and,

WHEREAS, local partners including the City of Sumas and the City of Ferndale have identified residents exposed to flood risks and have pledged a working relationship; and,

WHEREAS, FEMA and State partners have made available funding in the amount of \$2,517,712 through the Hazard Mitigation Program (HMP) to assist 14 property owners in the elevation of their homes; and,

WHEREAS, numerous structures that reside on properties within the County were destroyed during the November 2021 Floods; and,

WHEREAS, FEMA has recognized that private property within the County resides in a highrisk flood plain and residual damage to properties as a result of the November 2021 floods exists; and,

WHEREAS, local partners including the City of Everson and the City of Sumas have recognized high-risk flood plains within their respective limits and have pledged a working relationship; and,

WHEREAS, FEMA, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and State partners have made available funding in the amount of \$9,578,533 to restore, purchase, and restrict 15 identified properties and develop floodways in order to mitigate future damage to property; and,

WHEREAS, the Jones Creek Deflection Berm costs are under budget by \$500,000; and,

WHEREAS, the Truck Road 2020 Damage project will not move forward this year resulting in unused budget capacity of \$2,500,000; and,

WHEREAS, the Marine Drive Levee 2020 Damage Repair project needs additional budget capacity as costs will be \$3,000,000 higher than initially projected; and,

WHEREAS, a budget transfer of excess capacity from Jones Creek Deflection Berm and Truck Road 2020 Damage will cover the additional expenditures of Marine Drive Levee 2020 Damage Repair without a supplemental budget request; and,

WHEREAS, a budget transfer does not update Exhibit B Flood Capital Program the way a supplemental budget request would,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors that the 2023 budget is hereby amended increasing budget authority \$12,096,245 to accomplish goals related to the November 2021 floods as presented in Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Board of Supervisors that the transfer of unused budget authority from Jones Creek Deflection Berm and Truck Road 2020 Damage projects presented in Resolution 2022-048, Exhibit B Flood Capital Program is hereby amended as displayed in attached Exhibit B.

ADOPTED this 25th day of April , 2023

WHATCOM COUNTY FCZD BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Approved by email/C Quinn/A Tan
Senior Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Exhibit A

FEMA Elevations

Account	Description		Proposed Budget	
	Expenditures			
6630	Professional Services	\$	62,605	
7190	Other Miscellaneous	\$	2,455,107	
		\$	2,517,712	
	Revenues			
4333.8703	Homeland Security Council	\$	62,605	
4333.8073	Homeland Security Council	\$	2,325,891	
4334.0181	State Military Department	\$	129,216	
		\$	2,517,712	

FEMA Acquisitions

Account	Description	Proposed		
	Expenditures		Budget	
6630	Professional Services	\$	692,415	
6670	Construction Contracts	\$	2,507,760	
6699	Other Services-Interfund	\$	48,750	
7320	Land	\$	6,329,608	
		\$	9,578,533	
	Revenues			
4333.1421	HUD-CDBG	\$	468,635	
4333.8703	Homeland Security Council	\$	205,833	
4333.8703	Homeland Security Council	\$	8,435,430	
4334.0181	State Military Department	\$	468,635	
		\$	9,578,533	

Exhibit B

Capital Budget Transfers

	Original	Budget	Final
Project Title	Cost	Adjustment	Cost
Marine Drive Levee 2020 Damage Repair	\$1,060,000	\$3,000,000	\$4,060,000
Truck Road 2020 Damage	\$2,667,600	(\$2,500,000)	\$167,600
Jones Creek Deflection Berm	\$5,430,000	(\$500,000)	\$4,930,000
Total 2023 Amendments & Budget Adjustments	\$9,157,600	\$0	\$9,157,600