

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**ORDINANCE AMENDING TRIAGE CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT BUDGET,
THIRD REQUEST**

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2017-046 established the project budget for the Triage Center Expansion Fund and amendments #1 and #2 added additional funding authority for design and construction; and

WHEREAS, the current budget is adequate to cover the competitively awarded bid to construct the facility; however, there will not be sufficient funding to cover any contingencies that may arise; and

WHEREAS, funding is available from the Public Utilities Improvement (EDI) Fund to transfer in to the project budget to cover possible contingencies,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that Ordinance 2017-046 is hereby amended by adding \$1,000,000 of expenditure authority, as described in Exhibit A, to the current amended project budget of \$12,400,000, for a total amended project budget of \$13,400,000.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2019.

ATTEST:

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

Rud Browne, Chair of the Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

() Approved () Denied



Civil Deputy Prosecutor

Jack Louws, County Executive
Date: _____

EXHIBIT A

**TRIAGE CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT - Fund 374
Amendment #3**

Account	Description	Original Project Budget	Amendment #3 to Ord. 2017-046	Total Amended Project Budget
Expenditures				
6190	Direct Billing Rate	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000
6630	Professional Services	\$1,280,000	\$0	\$1,280,000
7350	Buildings and Structures	\$11,100,000	\$1,000,000	\$12,100,000
		\$12,400,000	\$1,000,000	\$13,400,000
Revenues				
4334.0421	Commerce Grant	\$1,950,000	\$0	\$1,950,000
4334.0421	Commerce Grant	\$4,950,000	\$0	\$4,950,000
4334.04605	NSBHO Grant	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$2,500,000
8301	Transfer In - Behavior Health Fund	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$3,000,000
8301	Transfer In - EDI	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
		\$12,400,000	\$1,000,000	\$13,400,000

Supplemental Budget Request

Status: Pending

Administrative Services

Facilities Management

Suppl ID # 2802

Fund 374

Cost Center 374100

Originator: Rob Ney

Year 1 2019

Add'l FTE

Priority 1

Name of Request: Addt'l Contingency Funds for Triage Construction

X

Department Head Signature (Required on Hard Copy Submission)

Date

8/27/19

Costs:	Object	Object Description	Amount Requested
	7350	Buildings & Structures	\$1,000,000
	8301	Operating Transfer In	(\$1,000,000)
	Request Total		\$0

1a. Description of request:

The Crisis Triage Center is a proposed 32 bed facility that will provide mental health and substance abuse services to the citizens of Whatcom County. The County has been working on this project for several years. The Triage Center has been primarily funded through Grants from Northsound Behavioral Health Organization (\$2.5mm) and the Department of Commerce (\$6.9mm), as well as \$3mm of local funds from the Behavior Health fund.

The project was designed by Ron Wright and Associates. On July 30th, the County opened competitive bids for the construction of the facility. Two bids were received. Tiger Construction is the apparent low bidder at \$10,437,992.51. There are adequate funds in the project based budget to construct the facility, however, there will not be sufficient funding for contingency items that may arise. Staff is requesting an additional \$1mm in contingency funding, along with spending authority, for unanticipated expenses and any complications with the construction of the facility. These funds will only be utilized if necessary.

1b. Primary customers:

Citizens of Whatcom County that are in need of mental health and detox services.

2. Problem to be solved:

There is adequate funding in the project based budget for the construction of the Triage facility, but there is no excess or contingency funds remaining to cover unforeseen expenses that may arise during construction.

3a. Options / Advantages:

Other options available to the County are to rebid the project, hoping for a lower bid, or not constructing the project. Bids received are of a less square foot cost than a facility that was bid the following day in Island County. Therefore, the County believes that the current bid received is at or below market value. As this has been a high priority project for the County, it is believed to be the best option to construct the Triage Center.

3b. Cost savings:

At this time, there are no specific cost savings. During construction of the Triage Center, staff will closely monitor the construction and do our best to value engineer items that may bring value or savings to the County.

4a. Outcomes:

The project will be built and delivered in 2020.

4b. Measures:

When the new functioning facility is operating and functional, serving the citizens of Whatcom County

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When the new facility built and is serving those in need within the County.

5a. Other Departments/Agencies:

A functioning Triage Center will divert those who need services from the Whatcom County Jail.

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

Rob Ney

6. Funding Source:

EDI Fund