



Jon Hutchings
Director

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Jack Louws, Whatcom County Executive, and
The Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Council

Through: Jon Hutchings, Director *JH*

From: Joseph P. Rutan, P.E., County Engineer/Assistant Director *JPR*
James P. Karcher, P.E., Engineering Manager *JK*

Date: August 26, 2019

Subject: **Amendment No. 5 to Ordinance 2012-050 Amending the Birch Bay Drive and Pedestrian Facility Project Based Budget Fund, Cost Center 339100, CRP #907001**

Enclosed for your review and signature is Amendment No. 5 to Ordinance 2012-050 associated with the Birch Bay Drive and Pedestrian Facility Project Based Budget Fund.

Requested Action

Public Works respectfully requests that the County Council and the County Executive sign the ordinance amending the Birch Bay Drive and Pedestrian Facility Project Based Budget Fund.

Background and Purpose

The Birch Bay Drive and Pedestrian Facility Project Based Budget Fund was established by Ordinance 2012-050 for an amount of \$1,072,324. Ordinance 2014-036 amended the project fund amount to \$2,200,000 for consultant design services. Ordinance 2016-069 amended the project fund amount to \$2,700,000 for consultant design services and property acquisition. Ordinance 2017-023 amended the project fund amount to \$3,600,000 for consultant design services and property acquisition. Ordinance 2017-069 amended the project fund amount to \$11,450,000 for consultant construction services and contract construction. This request is to increase the Birch Bay Drive and Pedestrian Facility Project Based Budget Fund amount by \$3,000,000 to cover budget capacity lost to increased PE and R/W costs, inflation of construction costs, a separate mitigation site, and a large archaeological monitoring component to the construction effort. The total project budget authority will be \$14,450,000.

Current project status is: Design 100% complete; Property Acquisition certified and 100% complete; and Permits 100% complete, including shorelines, and cultural / natural resource agreements with the Lummi Nation.

Funding Amount and Source

The Construction and Construction Engineering work will be funded by a variety of sources including Federal STP & TAP funds, EDI Program, BBWARM, and Road Funds as detailed in the attached documents. This request fully funds the Birch Bay Drive and Pedestrian Facility Project.

Please contact Jim Karcher at extension 6271, if you have any questions or concerns regarding the terms of this agreement.