

Whatcom County

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Agenda Bill Master Report

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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Resolution supporting a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Public Services Grant application

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

(Note: following notice publication, be it also known that up to \$900,000 could be available to Whatcom County for a CDBG-eligible capital project related to early childhood learning and child care facilities or other essential community facilities)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Whatcom County Council on Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., or at a later date (AB2021-245). The purpose of the public hearing is to review community development and housing needs, inform citizens of the availability of funds and eligible uses of the state Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), and receive comments on proposed activities as well as past activities related to the CDBG housing rehabilitation grant, particularly from lower income persons residing in Whatcom County. Currently \$129,400 is proposed to be available to Whatcom, Skagit and Island Counties, through the Opportunity Council, to fund public services that principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons. A Resolution will be reviewed, which would authorize the County Executive to submit an application to the State of Washington for this funding. The draft grant application, including an overview of the proposed public services, will be available for review at the Whatcom County Executive office by April 30, 2021 (copies available by email request to: executive@co.whatcom.wa.us).

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https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/odhh/telecommunication-relay-services

HISTORY OF LEGISLATIVE FILE

04/20/2021 Council INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC Council HEARING Aye: 7 Browne, Buchanan, Byrd, Donovan, Elenbaas, Fraze Nay: 0 Absent: 0 O5/04/2021 Council APPROVED Aye: 6 Browne, Buchanan, Donovan, Elenbaas, Frazey, and		
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Attachments: Staff memo, Proposed resolution, CDBG Fact Sheet, CDBG Scope of Work, CDBG HR Report to Council FINAL