

1 WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
2 **Finance and Administrative Services Committee**

3
4 December 7, 2004

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6 Committee Chair Sam Crawford called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. in
7 the Council Chambers, 311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, Washington.

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9 Present:

10 Dan McShane
11 Sharon Roy

Absent:

None

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13 Also Present:

14 L. Ward Nelson
15 Laurie Caskey-Schreiber
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18 **COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

19
20 **1. ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2004 WHATCOM COUNTY BUDGET,**
21 **FIFTEENTH REQUEST (AB2004-411)**

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23 Brad Bennett, Finance Division Manager, reported and stated this request
24 includes housekeeping in the Parks Department and recognizes grants related to
25 the Sheriff's Office. There is a retroactive settlement for the Sheriff's Guild. Jail
26 medical expenses are included. There is a Superior Court item for conflict
27 contracts, which often go over budget beyond their control. The guardian ad litem
28 costs increased.

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30 Crawford asked how they budgeted for these increased expenses in the 2005
31 and 2006 budget. Bennett stated they often shuffle money around at the end of
32 the year.

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34 Roy asked if they've budgeted for the increase in the Sheriff's Guild contract.
35 Bennett stated this is an additional expense. They've exceeded what they
36 budgeted for in the 2004 budget.

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38 Crawford asked if they've paid these wages already and this is just for the
39 contract. Bennett stated they have.

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41 ***Roy moved*** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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43 Nelson asked who was responsible for paying for the costs related to the
44 offender who was shot in Skagit County.

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46 Wendy Jones, Chief of Corrections, stated she recommended to two invoicing
47 parties, the hospitals, that they put in for indigent coverage through the State
48 Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) medically indigent program

1 before coming to the County for payment. If the offender isn't qualified for DSHS,
2 the County is legally responsible for half the Medicare expense for the service. She
3 is doing some research to find out what the Medicare reimbursement is for those
4 services. If DSHS will support that, the County is only responsible for half the
5 balance. The formula is very complicated. The offender is now in the County
6 facility.

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8 Crawford asked if the administration had an opportunity to address funding
9 from the City of Bellingham or Skagit County. Jones stated it has not with Skagit
10 County because Skagit County had no charges against the person at the point he
11 was arrested. Pending investigation by the Prosecutor's Office, she doesn't believe
12 the City of Bellingham will be involved either. All the charges from the City of
13 Bellingham were not served upon the offender until he arrived at the County jail
14 late last week. All the costs before that are on the County.

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16 Crawford stated that, if the situation were reversed, the City would bear a
17 similar cost. Jones stated that is correct. If there are any further medical charges,
18 the City of Bellingham will be responsible for half of the costs because he is now a
19 pr-trial felon for both the City and the County.

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21 ***Motion carried 2-0 with McShane out of the room.***

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24 **COUNCIL "CONSENT AGENDA" ITEM**

25
26 **1. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH**
27 **MICHAEL BOBBINK FOR HEARING EXAMINER SERVICES (AB2004-**
28 **414)**

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30 Dave Grant, Senior Civil Deputy Prosecutor, stated this contract in the packet
31 is a work in progress. He has not yet approved it to form. Certain conditions need
32 to be altered. It would be prudent to hold in committee.

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34 ***Roy moved*** to hold in committee.

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36 ***Motion carried 2-0 with McShane out of the room.***

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38 **2. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO THE PROPOSED 2004-**
39 **2006 CORRECTIONS OFFICERS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**
40 **AGREEMENT (AB2004-439)**

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42 Wendy Wefer-Clinton, Human Resources Associate Manager, stated this is a
43 typical settlement, which they've already talked about in executive session.

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45 ***Roy moved*** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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47 Crawford stated the Council had lengthy discussions on this item already in
48 executive session.

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2 ***Motion carried 2-0 with McShane out of the room.***

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4 **3. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**
5 **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY**
6 **AND WILSON ENGINEERING, LLC FOR ON-CALL SURVEYING**
7 **SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000 (AB2004-416)**

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9 ***Roy moved*** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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11 ***Motion carried 2-0 with McShane out of the room.***

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13 **4. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**
14 **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY**
15 **AND COMPASS POINT SURVEY GROUP, INC. FOR ON-CALL**
16 **SURVEYING SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000 (AB2004-417)**

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18 ***Roy moved*** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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20 ***Motion carried 2-0 with McShane out of the room.***

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22 **5. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**
23 **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY**
24 **AND SHEARER DESIGN, LLC FOR THE STRUCTURAL DESIGN OF E.**
25 **SMITH RD. ANDERSON CREEK BRIDGE NO. 277 IN THE AMOUNT OF**
26 **\$44,534 (AB2004-418)**

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28 Chris Brueske, Engineering Manager, stated this is a contract for structural
29 design of the replacement bridge. The bridge is currently restricted to routine truck
30 traffic.

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32 Crawford stated that when Smith Road was widened, this wasn't. Brueske
33 stated that's correct.

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35 ***Roy moved*** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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37 ***Motion carried 2-0 with McShane out of the room.***

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39 **6. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**
40 **SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM**
41 **COUNTY AND NICHOLLS ENGINEERING FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**
42 **WITH THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF HUTCHINSON CREEK**
43 **BRIDGE #157 REPLACEMENT PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,630,**
44 **FOR A TOTAL AMENDED CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$51,300**
45 **(AB2004-419)**

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47 Jim Karcher, Engineering Manager - Design/Construction, stated this is
48 construction support they needed after they executed the original contract. The

1 project on Austin Creek highlighted how they depend on the consultant for a variety
2 of tasks. The bridge is on Mosquito Lake Road. It is grant funded, so there is an
3 80/20 split.
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5 **Roy moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.
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7 **Motion carried 2-0 with McShane out of the room.**
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9 **7. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO AN**
10 **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND THE**
11 **BERTRAND WATERSHED IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT FOR**
12 **DEVELOPMENT OF FISH PASSAGE PROJECTS, HABITAT/RIPARIAN**
13 **ENHANCEMENTS AND DEVELOPMENT OF INSTREAM FLOW**
14 **RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$69,945.52 (AB2004-420)**
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16 Bruce Roll, Assistant Director, stated there is interest from water resource
17 inventory area (WRIA) participants to move forward with implementation projects,
18 including this item. The Council approved this in a supplemental budget in July.
19 There were four elements to that budget. The first element was for public outreach
20 associated with the plan. The second element was the beginning of setting
21 instream flows. This work will identify a location to begin this process with the
22 Bertrand Watershed Improvement District (WID). The third element was to
23 support efforts of the WID as they work on instream flow strategies for their needs
24 and on Endangered Species Act (ESA) obligations.
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26 The first step is to develop a project list for instream flow. They will come
27 back to the Council with the project list. A portion of this budget is for
28 accomplishing projects. Go forward with this project. Deal with the prioritized list
29 with the WID and the Department of Fish and Wildlife. They can amend the
30 contract to pick off projects as they are identified.
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32 **Roy moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.
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34 Crawford stated that the Council spent some time in the water resources
35 work session discussing WRIA budgeting. The water resources budget was the
36 2004 budget. Roll stated funding of the water resource fund ended in 2004. Those
37 funds were transferred to the general fund. In July, this was a supplemental
38 budget request to spend the remainder of the water resource fund balance. The
39 only element not identified was completion of the Sumas aquifer groundwater
40 model. That is not ready to come forward yet. He'll be back to discuss it early in
41 2005. He's collaborating with others from Washington State University and Simon
42 Fraser University who developed a calibrated groundwater model for the Sumas
43 aquifer north of the border and in Whatcom County. He won't have to develop that
44 model from the beginning.
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46 Crawford asked about future funding of these projects. Roll stated they are
47 being very aggressive. There are two grant applications they are pursuing, and are
48 developing a more grant applications. They will continue to pull in grant funds. For

1 some of the issues, such as fish passage, he will seek funds from the Salmon
2 Recovery Funding (SRF) Board.

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4 ***Motion carried unanimously.***

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6 **8. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO AN**
7 **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND PUBLIC**
8 **UTILITIES DISTRICT NO. 1 OF WHATCOM COUNTY FOR**
9 **IMPLEMENTATION OF WRIA 1 WATERSHED PLANNING ACTIVITIES**
10 **INCLUDING COMMUNITY OUTREACH, DEVELOPMENT OF INSTREAM**
11 **FLOW RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE BERTRAND WATERSHED, AND**
12 **TENMILE WATERSHED IMPROVEMENT EFFORTS IN THE AMOUNT OF**
13 **\$226,655 (AB2004-421)**

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15 ***Roy moved*** to recommend approval to the full Council. She asked for
16 examples of community outreach that will happen.

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18 Bruce Roll, Assistant Director, stated the Council wanted to hear from the
19 public. The draft plan was just completed. They will do a public forum to gather
20 input on the draft plan. They plan to adopt it in February or March 2005. Whatcom
21 County will formally approve the plan on recommendation of the Planning Unit.
22 This makes sure the entire audience understands what the plan means and gathers
23 input.

24
25 Roy asked why the Public Utility District (PUD) is doing this instead of the
26 County. Roll stated his public information and education (PIE) staff person is on
27 maternity leave, so he doesn't have that capacity. Another reason is the PUD has
28 the experience and knowledge. It's accepted by the participants as an agency
29 capable of accomplishing this work.

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31 Roy stated it also reinforces the idea that the County will not be responsible
32 for every single thing that happens, except in this case it is footing the bill. Roll
33 stated that in the case of Bertrand, the County is footing a portion of the bill. They
34 brought in over \$300,000 from the Governor's Office. They'll be able to use these
35 monies as match monies for federal and State grants. In this case, the work will
36 not be performed by County staff.

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38 ***Motion carried unanimously.***

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40 **9. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**
41 **CONTRACT AMENDMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND**
42 **PARAMETRIX, INC. TO COMPLETE THE REVIEW OF THE**
43 **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS**
44 **OF THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT ACT AND AMEND, AS NEEDED, THE**
45 **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND CRITICAL AREAS ORDINANCE IN THE**
46 **AMOUNT OF \$15,275, FOR A TOTAL AMENDED CONTRACT IN THE**
47 **AMOUNT OF \$90,275 (AB2004-422)**

1 Jeff Chalfant, Senior Planner, stated this is an amendment to a previous
2 contract. The contract is to amend the critical areas ordinance (CAO). It will allow
3 additional public involvement, committee meeting facilitation, and consultant
4 support through the hearings process.
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6 Crawford asked if this does not affect the fund balance. Chalfant stated it
7 does not because it comes from unexpended funds for a Land Use manager position
8 that was not filled.
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10 **Roy moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.
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12 **Motion carried unanimously.**
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14 **10. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**
15 **CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND FLEX-**
16 **PLAN SERVICES, INC. FOR THE DIRECT REIMBURSEMENT DENTAL**
17 **PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION FOR UNREPRESENTED EMPLOYEES IN**
18 **AN ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$24,500 (AB2004-423)**
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20 **McShane moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.
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22 Nelson stated they should allow claims to be submitted via email.
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24 Karen Goens, Human Resources Division Manager, stated she will look into it.
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26 Nelson asked about remitting an invoice. Goens stated this administrator will
27 remit on a more frequent basis.
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29 **Motion carried unanimously.**
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31 **11. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**
32 **CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND COMPU-**
33 **TECH, INC. FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF**
34 **PHASE 1, PARTS 1-3, OF THE WENET DATA INTEGRATION PROJECT**
35 **IN THE AMOUNT OF \$279,200 (AB2004-424)**
36

37 Ron Peterson, Project Manager, stated the County received federal money for
38 this project. They've been working with two vendors to represent the City and
39 County so they can start sharing files.
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41 Crawford asked if the County can own this product. He asked if the County
42 is paying for a software developer to develop something he or she can go sell to
43 someone else. Peterson stated this is just for the County. There won't be profits
44 made on the other side of the table. The developers are following technology of
45 national and worldwide technologies.
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47 Roy asked if the Sheriff and Bellingham police will be able to share
48 information. Peterson stated this is a two-year grant. They are hoping to

1 demonstrate some parts of this the first quarter of 2006. The law enforcement
2 officers will be able to see a difference within the two years.

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4 Roy asked about the inability of the Sheriff and local police to communicate.
5 Peterson stated the first phase is to get working communication amongst the
6 County Sheriff's Office, jail, Prosecutor's Office, and Bellingham police. The second
7 phase will expand to all police in the county, then expand to State and other
8 counties, then expand to the federal government.

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10 Roy asked if there is money for phase two. Peterson stated it depends on
11 the development time required.

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13 George Reid, Information Services Division Director, stated the Executive's
14 Office informed him another half million dollars is considered for allocation from the
15 federal government for this project.

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17 **McShane moved** to recommend approval of this and the next item to the
18 full Council.

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20 **Motion carried unanimously.**

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22 **12. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**
23 **CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND COMPU**
24 **WORK PACIFIC, INC. FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION**
25 **OF PHASE 1, PARTS 1-3, OF THE WENET DATA INTEGRATION**
26 **PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$192,150 (AB2004-425)**

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28 See Consent Agenda item 11.

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30 **13. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO**
31 **CONTRACT ADDENDUM #5 BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND DR.**
32 **GRANT DEGER TO RENEW THE JAIL PHYSICIAN'S SERVICE**
33 **CONTRACT FOR AN ADDITIONAL YEAR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,000**
34 **(AB2004-426)**

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36 **McShane moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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38 **Motion carried unanimously.**

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40 **14. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO**
41 **CONTRACT ADDENDUM #5 BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND**
42 **WHATCOM COUNSELING AND PSYCHIATRIC CLINIC TO RENEW THE**
43 **JAIL PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR AN ADDITIONAL**
44 **YEAR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,040 (AB2004-427)**

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46 **McShane moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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48 Roy stated this doesn't seem like very much money.

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2 Wendy Jones, Chief of Corrections, stated she requested more money, but
3 the additional services request (ASR) was approved for this amount. The service is
4 offered only four days per week. This pays for the services of a psychiatrist to do
5 some evaluation and monitor medication. A mental health professional does
6 therapy through a different contract.
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8 McShane stated there has been discussion that the temporary jail will have
9 floor space dedicated to a mental health triage center. He asked if they plan an
10 increase in spending in the jail budget for mental health issues. Jones stated there
11 won't be increased spending in connection with the triage center. A concern is that
12 there has been a huge slash in Medicaid funding for mental health services. They
13 are seeing an impact in the jail already. People are qualifying for services only
14 while in jail, so they're seeing offenders who are caught in a loop. There are some
15 very ill inmates in the jail right now. The cost of medications due to the County
16 holding mentally ill people will go up.
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18 McShane stated the jail is being used as a mental institution. Jones stated
19 this is not new. People are getting ill enough to offend at a level above the booking
20 restrictions. Medications are being used for folks with major access one disorders.
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22 McShane stated that no matter what, the County will not reimbursed for
23 treatment at this point. Because the County has had booking restrictions, some of
24 these people who are not getting County-paid for medications, their problems build
25 up to the point where they offend at a level where they exceed the booking
26 restrictions. He asked the cost to the County of dealing with that person long-term.
27 Jones stated she will work on that cost. They are also seeing an increase in
28 medical examiner expenses. These folks will die as they go into the winter months.
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30 *(Clerk's Note: End of tape one, side A.)*
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32 Roy stated the North Sound Regional Support Network (NSRSN) feels the
33 State will fill in that funding gap created by the federal government. Law
34 enforcement is not the only one screaming about this.
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36 Nelson stated four counties, including King County, have not been impacted.
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38 ***Motion carried unanimously.***
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40 **15. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**
41 **CONTRACT ADDENDUM BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND VISITING**
42 **NURSE PERSONAL SERVICES FOR RENEWAL OF CURRENT CONTRACT**
43 **AND TO PROVIDE FOR INCREASED LEVELS OF SERVICE, PERSONNEL**
44 **ADJUSTMENTS, AND EXPANDED COVERAGE IN THE AMOUNT OF**
45 **\$89,704 FOR A TOTAL AMENDED CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF**
46 **\$536,550 (AB2004-428)**
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48 ***McShane moved*** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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2 ***Motion carried unanimously.***
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- 4 **16. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO**
5 **CONTRACT ADDENDUM #4 BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND**
6 **HOAGLAND PHARMACY TO RENEW THE JAIL PHARMACY AGREEMENT**
7 **FOR AN ADDITIONAL YEAR IN AN ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$189,778**
8 **(AB2004-429)**
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10 ***Roy moved*** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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12 ***Motion carried unanimously.***
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- 14 **17. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO AN**
15 **INTERDEPARTMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY**
16 **JAIL AND PUBLIC WORKS, RIVER AND FLOOD FOR WORK CREW**
17 **SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$68,237.50 (AB2004-430)**
18

19 ***McShane moved*** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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21 ***Motion carried unanimously.***
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- 23 **18. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO APPROVE THE**
24 **AWARD OF BID #04-89 FOR REPAIR OF THE RAINWATER LEADERS**
25 **AT THE COURTHOUSE TO THE LOW BIDDER, DIAMACO, INC. IN THE**
26 **AMOUNT OF \$64,551.04 (AB2004-431)**
27

28 Crawford asked if this has to do with pipes leaking in the courtrooms.

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30 Mike Russell, Facilities Management Supervisor, stated they do. They bid the
31 design and are now getting around to fixing the problem. The funding is from the
32 general fund. It was a 2004 additional services request (ASR).
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34 ***Roy moved*** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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36 ***Motion carried unanimously.***
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- 38 **19. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO APPROVE THE**
39 **AWARD OF BID #04-90 FOR ADDITIONS TO THE PUBLIC WORKS**
40 **CENTRAL SHOP TO THE LOW BIDDER, EBENAL GENERAL IN THE**
41 **AMOUNT OF \$258,305.86 (AB2004-432)**
42

43 Crawford asked if the administration budgeted for this item.

44
45 Brad Bennett, Finance Division Manager, stated the administration budgeted
46 for this item, but not from the general fund.
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1 Mike Russell, Facilities Management Supervisor, stated it is a storage building
2 for the vactor truck and an addition to the sign shop.

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4 **McShane moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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6 **Motion carried unanimously.**

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8 **20. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO APPROVE THE**
9 **AWARD OF BID #04-94 FOR A REPLACEMENT MULTIPURPOSE**
10 **DITCHING MACHINE TO THE LOW BIDDER, FARMERS EQUIPMENT IN**
11 **THE AMOUNT OF \$164,800.21 (AB2004-433)**

12
13 **Roy moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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15 **Motion carried unanimously.**

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17 **21. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO APPROVE THE**
18 **AWARD OF BID #04-95 FOR THE SUPPLY OF PRECAST CONCRETE**
19 **GIRDERS TO THE LOW BIDDER, PACIFIC CONCRETE, INC. IN THE**
20 **AMOUNT OF \$140,005.39 (AB2004-434)**

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22 Crawford asked if these are generic bridge deck replacements.

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24 Chris Brueske, Engineering Manager, stated they are modular bridge
25 barriers. They are deck replacements over the winter on four bridges that have
26 load restrictions. They are the actual driving surface.

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28 **Roy moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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30 **Motion carried unanimously.**

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32 **22. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO APPROVE THE**
33 **PURCHASE OF TWO POLICE MOTORCYCLES USING THE WASHINGTON**
34 **STATE CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,715 (AB2004-435)**

35
36 **McShane moved** to recommend approval to the full Council.

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38 Roy asked if this is an increase in the number of motorcycles in the patrol.

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40 Brad Bennett, Finance Division Manager, stated this is an increase of one
41 motorcycle that the Council approved in an additional services request (ASR).
42 Another replaces an old Kawasaki.

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44 Kevin Moyes, Chief Civil Deputy, stated one motorcycle replaces an old
45 Kawasaki. The BMW motorcycle has the new anti-lock braking system (ABS) and
46 has the new LED lights that can run at night. Right now, they can't run the field
47 motorcycles at night because the lights drain the battery.

1 ***Motion carried unanimously.***
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- 3 **23. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO APPROVE THE**
4 **PURCHASE OF TEN POLICE VEHICLES USING THE WASHINGTON**
5 **STATE CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$235,000 (AB2004-436)**
6

7 ***McShane moved*** to recommend approval to the full Council.
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9 ***Motion carried unanimously.***
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- 11 **24. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO APPROVE THE**
12 **PURCHASE OF FOUR FULL SIZE UTILITY VEHICLES USING THE**
13 **WASHINGTON STATE CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$112,600**
14 **(AB2004-437)**
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16 Crawford stated this is three replacements and one addition to the fleet.
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18 McShane asked why they need large vehicles.
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20 Kevin Moyes, Chief Civil Deputy, stated two vehicles are for staff who are on
21 call 24 hours per day, seven days per week (24/7). With flooding and snow, they
22 have to respond at any time. When they go to scenes, they carry additional
23 protective equipment. The Sheriff's Office used to have Ford Explorers that don't
24 hold up to wear and tear. The other two vehicles are for the East County deputy in
25 the Foothills and the search and rescue deputy.
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27 McShane stated these vehicles are used to carry a lot of stuff in them. He
28 asked how many of these types of vehicles the Sheriff's Office has. Moyes stated
29 the Sheriff's Office will have a total of five, not including one pickup truck for
30 evidence services. The others are for the search-and-rescue deputy at Baker Lake
31 and the Road Use deputy.
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33 ***Roy moved*** to recommend approval to the full Council.
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35 ***Motion carried unanimously.***
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- 37 **25. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A**
38 **RESIDENTIAL LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM COUNTY AND**
39 **RONALD MORGAN TO LEASE THE HOUSE LOCATED AT 3211 NORTH**
40 **SHORE ROAD, BELLINGHAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,350 PER MONTH**
41 **(AB2004-438)**
42

43 ***McShane moved*** to recommend approval to the full Council.
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45 ***Motion carried unanimously.***
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48 **OTHER BUSINESS**

1
2 Bruce Roll, Assistant Public Works Director, stated that on September 14,
3 2004, the Council approved a **request authorization for the Executive to enter**
4 **into an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County, the City of**
5 **Bellingham and the Lake Whatcom Water and Sewer District for monthly**
6 **monitoring of tributaries in the Lake Whatcom watershed, in the amount of**
7 **\$27,994.50 (AB2004-311)**. The cover letter had a lesser amount than the
8 amount in the agreement. The Council approved a lesser amount than the amount
9 in the packet. The correct amount is \$28,693.13. The difference is \$698.63.

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11 **McShane moved** to recommend to the full Council that they approve the
12 correct amount.

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14 **Motion carried unanimously.**

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17 **ADJOURN**

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19 The meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

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23 Jill Nixon, Minutes Transcription

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26 ATTEST:

27 WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
28 WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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32 Dana Brown-Davis, Council Clerk

Sam Crawford, Committee Chair