

CLEARANCES	Initial	Date	Date Received in Council Office	Agenda Date	Assigned to:
Originator:	SM	10/5/09	<p>RECEIVED</p> <p>OCT 20 2009</p> <p>WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL</p>	10/27/09	Finance/Council
Division Head:					
Dept. Head:					
Prosecutor:	<i>RD</i>	10-11-09			
Purchasing/Budget:	<i>[Signature]</i>	10/19/09			
Executive:	<i>DK</i>	10-20-09			

TITLE OF DOCUMENT: Resolution authorizing submittal of a grant application to the Washington State Department of Commerce, Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB)

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution, CERB Application

SEPA review required? () Yes () NO	Should Clerk schedule a hearing? () Yes () NO
SEPA review completed? () Yes () NO	Requested Date:

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE: (If this item is an ordinance or requires a public hearing, you must provide the language for use in the required public notice. Be specific and cite RCW or WCC as appropriate. Be clear in explaining the intent of the action.)

Resolution authorizing submittal of a grant application to the Washington State Department of Commerce, Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) on behalf of the Northwest Economic Council. This grant will be utilized in support of the site assessment for the Innovation Resource Center (to facilitate job growth in Whatcom County).

COMMITTEE ACTION: 10/27/2009: Forwarded to Council for approval	COUNCIL ACTION: 10/27/2009: Council Approved 7-0 Res. 2009-063
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Related County Contract #:	Related File Numbers:	Ordinance or Resolution Number: Res. 2009-063
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SPONSORED BY: County Executive

PROPOSED BY: Director of Administrative Services

INTRODUCTION DATE: October 27, 2009

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-063

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION BOARD (CERB).

WHEREAS, Whatcom County is a potential grant recipient and is invited to apply to the Washington State Department of Commerce for a Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) Grant ; and

WHEREAS, the desired outcomes resulting from these funds are increased support for successful development of start-up and fledgling companies by providing entrepreneurs with an array of targeted resources and services; and

WHEREAS, the Council and Executive have consistently adopted ordinances to achieve the same results; and

WHEREAS, the County would like to pursue the funding necessary to support efforts to expand and leverage community wide efforts to support economic opportunity and a healthy business climate for start-up and fledgling companies; and

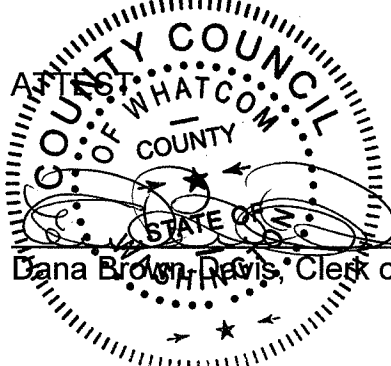
WHEREAS, the County has joined the collaborative work of the Northwest Economic Council – Whatcom County, Bellingham Technical College, Whatcom Community College, Western Washington University, Port of Bellingham, Bellingham Angel Group and others to explore the feasibility and pre-development assessment for a local Innovation Resource Center (Accelerator); and

WHEREAS, the County will utilize the grant monies to conduct the feasibility and pre-development assessment of an Innovation Resource Center (Accelerator) in the most cost effective manner;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

The County Council agrees to support the Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) application as proposed by the Administration.

APPROVED by the County Council of Whatcom County, Washington, this 27th day of October, 2009.

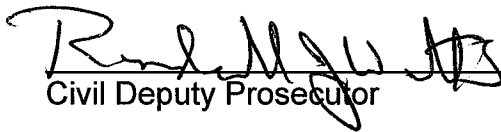


Dana Brown Davis, Clerk of the Council

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Seth Fleetwood, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Civil Deputy Prosecutor