



# City Council Agenda Bill

24104

Bill Number

## Subject: **Interlocal Agreement with Whatcom County Regarding the Public Health, Safety, and Justice Facility Financing and the Use of Sales Tax Revenues**

Summary Statement: The attached proposed Interlocal Agreement (ILA) governs the use of the additional two-tenths of one percent sales and use tax for public health, safety, and justice authorized by voters in the November 2023 General Election.

As the ILA is proposed, the cities will transfer 75 percent of tax proceeds to the County for the first 54 months of collection as a capital contribution to the new Public Health, Safety and Justice Facility. Funds not used to construct and finance the facility, and at least 50 percent of funds collected County-wide at the completion of the cities' capital contribution, will be used in support of the Justice Project Implementation Plan.

The attached ILA version includes minor scriveners revisions from the version distributed to City Council members on April 23.

Previous Council Action: **Resolution 2023-14 (July 21, 2023) Affirming the City of Bellingham Values in Regard to the Proposed Ballot Measure**

Fiscal Impact: **The City's projected portion of the sales tax for the remainder of 2024 is \$2,100,000**

Funding Source: **Public Health, Safety, and Justice Sales and Use Tax**

- Attachments:
- 1. STAFF MEMO
  - 2. INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

Meeting Activity	Meeting Date	Recommendation	Presented By	Time
Committee Briefing - Vote Requested	05/06/2024	Vote to Approve	Forrest Longman, Deputy Finance Director	10 minutes

**Recommended Motion:**

**Council Committee:**  
Committee Of The Whole

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**Council Action:**