SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

MOTION NO. 23-490

APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN SNOHOMISH COUNTY AND ZIPLY FIBER NORTHWEST, LLC

WHEREAS, Snohomish County submitted a joint application to the Washington State Department of Commerce, Broadband Office ("WSBO") with Ziply Fiber Northwest, LLC to construct a Fiber to the Premise (FttP) network along or near the State Route 530 Corridor from the city of Arlington to the city of Darrington; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of the Snohomish County and Ziply State Route 530 Broadband Project ("SR 530 Broadband Project") is twenty-five million, eight hundred forty-eight thousand, five hundred sixty-nine dollars (\$25,848,569) comprised of grant funding, matching funds from Ziply infrastructure, and County IRU Fees; and

WHEREAS, the SR 530 Broadband Project spans multiple years and will enable gigabit fiber connectivity to approximately 4,510 addresses; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County has received an Infrastructure Acceleration grant award of sixteen million, seven hundred thirteen thousand, six hundred fifteen dollars (\$16,713,615) from the WSBO for American Rescue Recovery Plan Act state and local fiscal recovery funds (SLFRF) for the SR 530 Broadband Project; and

WHEREAS, Ziply Fiber Northwest, LLC is providing matching funds of nine million nine thousand eight hundred fifty-four dollars (\$9,009,854) in matching funds provided by Ziply Fiber Northwest, LLC; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County will provide IRU Fee funding of One Hundred twenty-five thousand, one hundred dollars (\$125,100) for County-specific fiber endpoints and segments that are adjacent to but extend outside of scope the grant project;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON MOTION, the Snohomish County Council approves and authorizes the County Executive to execute the Agreement between Snohomish County and Ziply Fiber Northwest, LLC for the SR 530 Broadband Project.

DATED this 7th day of November, 2023.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

<u>Qared Mead</u> Council Chair

ATTEST:

Deputy Clerk of the Council