



Committee of the Whole

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Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

ECAF: 2025-3579

Motion: 25-531

Type:

- ☒ Contract
- ☐ Board Appt.
- ☐ Code Amendment
- ☐ Budget Action
- ☐ Other

Requested Handling:

- ☒ Normal
- ☐ Expedite
- ☐ Urgent

Fund Source:

- ☐ General Fund
- ☒ Other
- ☐ N/A

Executive Rec:

- ☒ Approve
- ☐ Do Not Approve
- ☐ N/A

Approved as to

Form:

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ N/A

Subject: Snohomish County Auto Theft Task Force (SNOCAT) – ILA between County and the City of Marysville

Scope: This motion would approve an ILA with the City of Marysville under which they agree to dedicate one (1.0) full-time detective to SNOCAT, who will be under the direction of a Sheriff’s Office lieutenant. In exchange, the County will cover the salary and benefits of the detective for the contract period in an amount up to \$401,369 using funds received under the Washington Auto Theft Prevention Authority Grant.

Duration: July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027

Fiscal Impact: ☐ Current Year ☒ Multi-Year ☐ N/A

Expenditures	Current Year	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
Fund 130	\$66,894.80	\$133,789.70	\$133,789.70	\$66,894.80		\$401,369
Total’s	\$66,894.80	\$133,789.70	\$133,789.70	\$66,894.80	0	\$401,369

Revenue	Current Year	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
Total’s	0	0	0	0	0	0

***Funding for this is a multiyear grant from WATPA, see background below*

Authority Granted: Authorizes the Executive to execute the contract.

Background:

In 2007 the Washington State Legislature passed [HB 1001](#), making many changes to state law regarding auto theft. Among the many changes, the bill established grants to local government for auto theft prevention and the Washington Auto Theft Prevention Authority ([WATPA](#)) to assist local governments in addressing auto theft.

In 2008 the County received its first grant through WATPA of \$827,185 for the contract period of one year¹ and the Snohomish County established the Snohomish County Auto Theft Task Force ([SNOCAT](#)). The mission of SNOCAT is to reduce vehicle theft in the County “through pro-active enforcement efforts, apprehension of criminals who steal vehicles, and increasing public awareness of and education about auto theft.” SNOCAT is comprised of detectives from Marysville Police Department, Snohomish County Sheriff’s Office, the Washington State Patrol, and a prosecutor from the Snohomish County Prosecutor’s Office.

¹ ECAF 20043072 – Motion 09-023 – ECAF TITLE: 20089 Auto Left Task Force Grant Award

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On July 23, 2025 Council approved [Motion 25-318](#), accepting a grant from the Washington Auto Theft Prevention Authority in the amount of \$1,227,717 for the operation of SNOCAT.

Requested Action: For Council to consider taking action.