

MOTION BY HAWKINSON, SECONDED BY LAUTENBACH AND DONOVAN THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE THE UPDATED BUDGET POLICY AND RESOLUTION #331-21.

*The motion was approved by unanimous consent.*

**F.2 Consideration of Radio System Purchase and Sale Agreement / Resolution #332-21**

**Recommendation:** The Executive Committee met on September 9, 2021 and recommended that the Board of Directors provide final approval for the General Manager to take the following actions: (1) take all necessary actions to close on the purchase of the Radio System pursuant to the Radio System Purchase and Sale Agreement between Whatcom Transportation Authority (WTA) and Wiztronics, Inc. (Wiztronics) and (2) enter an Amendment to Contractual Services Agreement with Wiztronics which confirms its continued obligation to provide radio service to WTA using the Radio System.

Josh Nylander, IT Director, gave an overview of this item.

MOTION BY DONOVAN, SECONDED BY HAWKINSON THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS PROVIDE FINAL APPROVAL FOR THE GENERAL MANAGER TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS: (1) TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTIONS TO CLOSE ON THE PURCHASE OF THE RADIO SYSTEM PURSUANT TO THE RADIO SYSTEM PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHATCOM TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (WTA) AND WIZTRONICS, INC. (WIZTRONICS) AND (2) ENTER AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WIZTRONICS WHICH CONFIRMS ITS CONTINUED OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE RADIO SERVICE TO WTA USING THE RADIO SYSTEM.

Satpal Sidhu, County Executive, stated that \$400,000 has been approved for the Sheriff's Department and asked if this is part of the overall equation. Mr. Nylander said it is. Executive Sidhu said in the next legislative session they will be asking for over another \$1 million for this effort, so he is hoping we will get additional funding for this. Les Reardanz, General Manager stated perhaps this can be a joint effort. Executive Sidhu agreed. He said they were expecting over \$2 million, but were awarded only \$400,000 so will keep trying.

MOTION BY LILLIQUIST, SECONDED BY SIDHU THAT THE WTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS ENCOURAGES THE GENERAL MANAGER TO WORK WITH WHATCOM COUNTY AND THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM ON A LEGISLATIVE REQUEST TO FUND A PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO SYSTEM IN WHATCOM COUNTY.

*The accessory motion was approved by unanimous consent.*