**Title of Document:**
An Ordinance Authorizing the Levying of 2013 Property Taxes for County Road Purposes

**Attachments:**
Proposed Ordinance

**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.)

The proposed ordinance authorizes the 2013 Property Tax Levy for County Road Purposes.

**Committee Action:**

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Ord. 2012-046

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INTRODUCED BY: Consent
PROPOSED BY: County Executive
DATE: November 7, 2012

ORDINANCE NO. 2012-046
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF 2013
PROPERTY TAXES FOR COUNTY ROAD PURPOSES

WHEREAS, pursuant to Home Rule Charter Section 6.10 the County Executive is required to submit for Council consideration proposed tax and revenue ordinances necessary to raise sufficient revenues to balance the Budget; and,

WHEREAS, the County Council has approved a budget for the 2013–2014 biennium, including all sources of revenues and anticipated expenditures on November 20, 2012; and,

WHEREAS, the County Council has determined it is not necessary to increase the Road Fund property tax levy for 2013, and,

WHEREAS, the County Council held a public hearing regarding the biennial county budget which included property tax rates, and other revenues;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED by the Whatcom County Council that the amounts collected through the County Road levy shall be limited to the amount of 2012 taxes, increased for the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state assessed property. A property tax increase in addition to the amount resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state-assessed property is hereby authorized for the 2013 levy in the amount of $0, which is a percentage increase of 0% from the previous year.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Whatcom County Council does hereby authorize diverting $706,530 of the County Road District levy for the budget year 2013 to the General Fund. Diverted County Road Taxes are to be used for traffic law enforcement in the unincorporated areas of Whatcom County.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
Civil Deputy Prosecutor

ADOPTED this 7th day of November, 2012.

WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON

[Signature]
Kathy Kershner, Council Chair

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Jack Louv's, Executive

DATE: 11/27/2012

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