



Public Infrastructure and Conservation Committee

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Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

ECAF: 2025-3103
Ordinance: 25-069

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: Establishment of the 2026 monthly vehicle allowance of certain elected officials.

Scope: The proposed ordinance would set the monthly vehicle allowance for elected officials using their own vehicle for travel for County purposes.

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

SCC 3.36.035 allows Council to establish a monthly vehicle reimbursement allowance for elected officials based upon an annual review of ER&R costs by the Director of Facilities. The Director reviewed the average monthly ER&R cost and has determined that the 2026 rate is as follows:

Average Monthly Vehicle Ownership and Operating Cost	\$561.57
AAA Estimated Insurance Cost	\$143.58
Total	\$705.15
99% Maximum	\$698.10

History	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
99% Max/month	698.10	\$589.60	\$609.90	\$549.76	\$521.92	\$535.70

Authority Granted: The 99 percent maximum payment allowed to an elected official has been calculated for 2026 at \$698.10 per month. The proposal also allows the Snohomish County Council to adopt the rate calculated by the Director, or Council can set its own rate.

Background: Snohomish County Code 3.36.035 allows an elected official using their own vehicle for travel for county purposes to be paid a vehicle allowance monthly of not more than 99 percent of the average monthly ER&R cost for replacement, maintenance, insurance, and fuel expenses of a standard size county pool vehicle as determined by the Director of Facilities Management. Council establishes the reimbursement rate for elected officials using their own vehicle for official travel or county purposes. In addition to the monthly rate, any elected official designated in SCC 3.36.030 may claim reimbursement for mileage traveled by personal vehicle outside Snohomish County for county purposes at the rate authorized by SCCC 3.36.020.

Request: To move the ordinance to GLS on November 12, to set time and date for Public Hearing, December 3th, 2025 at 10:30 am is suggested.