

# Snohomish County Council Public Hearings Meeting Minutes

Stephanie Wright, Council Chair Megan Dunn, Council Vice-Chair Councilmembers: Sam Low, Nate Nehring, Jared Mead

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

10:30 AM

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# RESPONSE TO COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY

Snohomish County Council held its meeting remotely via Zoom. Governor Inslee's Emergency Proclamations can be accessed at the County Council's Home page - https://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/172/County-Council.

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Council Chair Wright called the remote public hearing to order at 10:30 a.m.

# **ROLL CALL**

The clerk called the roll and stated that all five members were present.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

# PRESENT:

Council Chair Wright
Council Vice-Chair Dunn
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Nehring
Councilmember Mead
Heidi Beazizo, Council Staff
Lacey Harper, Executive Director
Elena Lao, Asst. Clerk of the Council

 Ordinance 21-033, related to title 2 of Snohomish County Code amending chapter 2.48 adding a monthly tribal land acknowledgement to the agenda of the general legislative session

Council Chair Wright opened the hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Heidi Beazizo, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.

<sup>\*</sup>See names listed below of individuals providing public testimony..

Lacey Harper, Executive Director, spoke on behalf of Executive Somers in strong support of the proposed ordinance.

Council Chair Wright opened the hearing for public testimony and provided instructions for remote participation in the Zoom meeting. The following individuals provided public testimony in support of the proposed ordinance:

Paul Benz, resident of Snohomish County, Co-Director of Faith Action Network Kara Briggs, Sauk-Suiattle Tribe

There being no further persons present wishing to testify, Council Chair Wright closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

Council Vice-Chair Dunn spoke in support of the proposed ordinance.

**ACTION:** Council Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance 21-033. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance 21-033 carried unanimously.

### PRESENT:

Council Chair Wright
Council Vice-Chair Dunn
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Nehring
Councilmember Mead
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff
Terri Strandberg, Planning & Development Services
Tom Teigen, Dept. of Conservation & Natural Resources Director
Debbie Eco, Clerk of the Council
Elena Lao, Asst. Clerk of the Council
\*See below for names of people providing testimony

2. Ordinance 21-025, relating to regulation of stormwater; amending
Chapters 7.53, 7.54, 30.63a, 30.63b and subtitle 30.91 of the
Snohomish County Code (SCC) in response to the County's 2019
NPDES Phase I Permit

Chair Wright opened the public hearing and the clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a detailed staff report. He stated Planning & Development Services recommends approval of this ordinance. There were no questions from councilmembers.

Chair Wright opened the hearing for public testimony and provided Zoom/remote testimony instructions for those wishing to testify. The following people provided testimony regarding Ordinance No. 21-025:

William Lider, Lider Engineering Mike Pickard, resident of city of Bothell Linda Gray, resident of the city of Woodinville

There being no further persons present wishing to testify, Chair Wright closed the testimony portion of the hearing.

Responding to Vice-Chair Dunn, Terri Strandberg, Planning & Development Services, explained changes that were incorporated to the drainage manual based on public comments and the Department of Ecology's comments.

Ms. Strandberg stated that the public comment period is open until this Friday, June 18 and can be submitted to Bill Leif in the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

Mr. Countryman added that some of the public comment related to administrative rules can be adopted at any time and can be adopted by Executive departments and sometimes further work needs to be done as appropriate.

Tom Teigen, Dept. of Conservation & Natural Resources Director, spoke about engaging with the public and trying to move forward in a responsible manner.

Chair Wright provided closing remarks.

**ACTION:** Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-025. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion.

Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Amendment 1. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Chair Wright explained why she will be voting against this ordinance.

The clerk called the roll and Ordinance No. 21-025 carried four to one with Chair Wright voting against.

## **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Chair Wright adjourned the Council for the day at 11:16 a.m.