



Planning and Community Development

Ryan Countryman

Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

ECAF: 2023-1061

Motion: 23-397

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: Board Appointment – Snohomish County Council on Aging.

Scope: Motion 23-397 would appoint Shannon Atkins to the Council on Aging for an initial first term.

Duration: Three years, commencing on passage.

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

Authority Granted: N/A

Background:

This nominee: Shannon Atkins is an employee of the Everett Housing Authority and a resident of Council District 1. She has worked in a variety of community service positions and writes that “I would like to be part of the conversation in assisting our aging and disabled community members[...] A healthy and honored senior and disabled population is contagious and will spread to other areas in our lives. I would like to be a part of making that happen.” Shannon is well-qualified to serve on the Council on Aging. The County Executive recommends approval of her appointment.

The Board: The [Snohomish County Council on Aging](#) is an advisory body to the executive, department of human services, and the division on aging. The council provides advice on matters related to the administration of aging programs, and has the following duties and functions:

- Conduct public hearings and other investigations to determine the needs and priorities of county senior citizens;
- Review and recommend plans, policies, budgets, and funding applications;
- Evaluate the performance of the county aging programs at least annually;
- Advise the department of human services on matters relating to the priorities, objectives, and tasks to be performed by the department;
- Submit to the county executive names of nominees for appointment to the council on aging.

The council consists of up to 30 members (there are currently nine filled positions) recommended by the executive and appointed by the council, appointed for three-year terms with a limit of three terms. Members shall include representatives of senior citizen organizations, local elected officials, and members of the public, and over half of the members must be over 60 years old. (SCC [2.450](#), [2.03](#)).

Request: Move to General Legislative Session on September 27, 2023, for consideration.