



Snohomish County Council

Committee: COW
ECAF: 22-0894
Proposal: Mot. 22-400

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Date: Sep. 20, 2022

Consideration

The Executive's Office requests Council consider approving proposed Motion 22-400 which would approve and authorize the satisfaction of a budget condition in the adopted 2022 Budget.

Background

On November 9, 2021, the County Council adopted Ordinance 21-093¹ adopting the 2022 Budget. In the budget, Section 9 B contained a budget condition requesting a Performance Audit of the Office of Public Defense and conditioning \$926,492 on the following:

1. Inclusion of a Performance Audit requirement in the County's 2022 contract with the Snohomish County Public Defender's Association;
2. Completion of a Performance Audit of the Office of Public Defense and the Snohomish County Public Defender's Association pursuant to such contract; and
3. Council approval by motion of the Performance Audit results.

A Notice to Proceed on the Performance Audit was approved by Motion 21-412² on November 15, 2021 and the final Audit results presented to the Council on August 23, 2022.³

Current Proposal

Scope: Motion 22-400 requests Council approve the Performance Audit results and consider the Budget Condition satisfied so the funds can be released.

Duration: N/A

Fiscal Implications: \$926,492 in approved 2022 funding

2022 Budget: YES

Future Budget Impacts: N/A (2022 Budget Condition)

Handling: URGENT

Approved-as-to-form: N/A (budget condition)

Risk Management: N/A

Executive Recommendation: APPROVE

Request: Assign the motion to COW at Admin on 9/26 and place on the COW agenda for consideration at GLS on 10/05.

¹ [Snohomish County Council - File #: 2021-0760 \(legistar.com\)](#)

² [Snohomish County Council - File #: 2021-0958 \(legistar.com\)](#)

³ [Snohomish County Council - File #: 2022-0729 \(legistar.com\)](#)