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SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

ORDINANCE NO. 25-036

RELATING TO PENDING LEGISLATION; AMENDING CHAPTER 2.48 SCC

## BE IT ORDAINED:

Section 1. Snohomish County Code section 2.48.122, last amended by Amended Ordinance 22-022 on June 15, 2022, is amended to read:

## 2.48.122 Introduction and referral of ordinances.

(1) Proposed ordinances may be introduced by any council member, initiative, or minimitiative. Proposed ordinances shall be introduced in their entirety in writing.

(2) Upon filing with the clerk of the council with the signature of at least one council member on an introduction form approved by the clerk, or upon receipt by the council of a proposed ordinance submitted as an initiative or mini-initiative under Article 5 of the Snohomish County Charter, the clerk shall assign the proposed ordinance a number and place it on the agenda of the next Tuesday administrative session for referral to a council committee, provided that the chairperson or a majority of the council may direct that it be placed on the agenda of an earlier council meeting. The agenda shall identify the proposed ordinance by number and title, and name the committee or committees to which it will be referred. If a council member objects to a committee referral, the referral shall be made by a majority of the council.

(3) If at a regular council meeting a council member wishes to obtain committee referral of a proposed ordinance that has not been placed on the agenda, the council member shall file the proposed ordinance with the clerk along with a signed introduction form. The clerk shall read the title and assign a number to the proposed ordinance and the chairperson or council shall refer the ordinance to one or more council committees.

(4) A proposed ordinance referred to more than one committee shall be considered by the committees in the order specified in the referral.

(5) At least once each week the clerk of the council shall deliver to council members and the chief of staff a list of ordinances received from the county executive that have not been introduced, along with the tracking number of corresponding ECAFs. If an ordinance received from the county executive is not introduced by a council member within 30 days after the proposed ordinance and corresponding ECAF are filed with the clerk of the council, the clerk shall place the matter on the agenda of the next Tuesday administrative session under ((special reports)) clerk's report on pending legislation. At

that session the county officers identified in the ECAF shall be given an opportunity to address the council on the proposed legislation.

Section 2. Snohomish County Code section 2.48.123, last amended by Amended Ordinance 22-022 on June 15, 2022, is amended to read:

## 2.48.123 Presentation and referral of motions.

(1) Proposed motions may be presented for council consideration by filing the proposed motion with the clerk of the council with an ECAF signed by a county officer, provided that any motion not proposed by a council member must be routed through the county executive's office pursuant to SCC 2.48.118. Proposed motions shall be presented in their entirety in writing.

- (2) Upon the filing of a proposed motion and ECAF, the clerk shall assign the motion a number and place it on the agenda of the next Tuesday administrative session for referral to a council committee, provided that the chairperson or a majority of the council may direct that it be placed on the agenda of an earlier council meeting. The agenda shall identify the proposed motion by number and title and name the committee or committees to which it will be referred. If a council member objects to a committee referral, the referral shall be made by a majority of the council.
- (3) If at a regular council meeting a council member wishes to obtain committee referral of a proposed motion that has not been placed on the agenda, the council member shall file the proposed motion with the clerk along with a signed ECAF. The clerk shall read the title and assign a number to the proposed motion, and the chairperson or council shall refer the motion to one or more council committees.

- (4) A proposed motion referred to more than one committee shall be considered by the committees in the order specified in the referral.
- (5) Not less than thirty-five days after referral to a council committee, the clerk of the council shall deliver to council members and the chief of staff a list of proposed motions that have not been placed on a committee agenda for recommendation or consideration. The clerk shall place any such proposed motions on the agenda of the next Tuesday administrative session under clerk's report on pending legislation.

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PASSED this 13th day of August, 2025.

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