

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL  
Snohomish County, Washington

MOTION NO. 22-284

AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO SIGN 2019-2022 SNOHOMISH COUNTY ON-CALL CONSULTANT SERVICES TASK NO. 3a (OCC19-3-1(D)) WITH BERK CONSULTING, INC.

WHEREAS, Snohomish County is required to update the Snohomish County Growth Management Act (GMA) Comprehensive Plan by December 31, 2024, pursuant to RCW 36.70A.130; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan is designed to help the County meet its long-term vision for land use and growth management in unincorporated areas outside of cities and towns; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan must plan for the next 20 years of forecasted population and employment growth and ensure compliance with the requirements of the GMA; and

WHEREAS, an environmental impact statement (EIS) is the detailed statement required by RCW 43.21C.030(c) of the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), and shall be prepared on proposals for legislation and other major actions having a probable significant, adverse environmental impact; and

WHEREAS, Snohomish County determined that the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update is likely to have a probable significant, adverse environmental impact, and an EIS is required pursuant to RCW 43.21C.031; and

WHEREAS, on December 24, 2018, Snohomish County entered into an on-call contract with Berk Consulting, Inc. (Berk) in Agreement No. OCC 19-3-1(D) ("Master Agreement") for on-call services in the Comprehensive Plan Review subcategory on an as-needed basis through Task Assignments; and

WHEREAS, Task Assignment No. 3 under the Master Agreement was approved by the Snohomish County Council (county council) through Motion 21-278, signed by the County Executive, and authorizes Berk to work as the SEPA consultant for the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, the county council adopted chapter 30.74 SCC, "Growth Management Act Public Participation Program Docketing," to comply with the requirements of RCW 36.70A.130 and .470 in order for interested persons to propose amendments and revisions to the Comprehensive Plan or development regulations; and

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WHEREAS, on March 9, 2022, the county council approved inclusion of ten (10) docket proposals on Final Docket XXI (DR1, LS2, MALT1, MV2, MON2, SW10, SW11, SW14, SW17, and SW12) and authorized the County Executive, through Snohomish County Planning and Development Services (PDS), to process the proposed amendments consistent with chapters 30.73 and 30.74 SCC, including environmental review under the SEPA, for final docket consideration in 2024 in conjunction with final action on the 2024 GMA Comprehensive Plan update, through Amended Motion 21-147; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to SCC 30.74.070 final docket applicants are required to pay the cost of environmental review and studies under SEPA for their proposed amendments with probable significant adverse environmental impacts that have not been previously analyzed; and

WHEREAS, nine (9) of the Final Docket XXI proposal applicants chose to pay the cost of environmental review required for final docket consideration in 2024, including DR1, LS2, MALT1, SW10, MV2, MON2, SW14, SW17, and SW12; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2022, the county council referred seven (7) council-initiated motions that include proposed expansions to the county's Urban Growth Areas (UGAs) as well as amendments to the Future Land Use Map, Zoning Map, and policies of the Comprehensive Plan to the Snohomish County Planning Commission and PDS for consideration during the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update (Motion 22-090, Motion 22-095, Motion 22-098, Amended Motion 22-099, and Motion 22-134, Motion 22-097, and Amended Motion 22-096); and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works (DPW) requested a more robust quantitative bicycle and pedestrian analysis of the alternatives than was planned in the initial scope; and

WHEREAS, the nine (9) Final Docket XXI proposals, the seven (7) council-initiated motions, and the additional quantitative analysis requested by DPW were not considered within the original scope and budget of Task No. 3, and an amendment is necessary to expand the original scope and budget of Task No. 3 to perform this necessary work; and

WHEREAS, the total amount authorized under the Task Assignment No.3a shall not exceed \$555,881 during the remaining contract period covering 2022 to 2023; and

WHEREAS, the expenses associated with review and analysis of the Final Docket XXI (approximately \$223,729) will be pass through dollars where the county accepts payment from the applicants and then passes the funds to Berk; and

WHEREAS, as the work to be performed under the Task Assignment No.3a involves multiple county departments, funds for the council-initiated motions and quantitative transportation data analysis will come from PDS, DPW, and the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources;

NOW, THEREFORE ON MOTION: the Snohomish County Council authorizes the County Executive to execute the 2019-2022 On-Call Consultant Services Task Assignment No. 3a with Berk.

PASSED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2022.

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Acting Council Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Asst. Clerk of the Council