



# Snohomish County Council

## Public Hearings

## Meeting Minutes

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

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**Wednesday, October 6, 2021**

**6:30 PM**

**Remote via Zoom**

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### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wright called the Council to order at 6:32 p.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  
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff  
Justin Kasting, Prosecutor's Office  
Debbie Eco, Clerk of the Council

1. Ordinance 21-055, relating to the Growth Management Act, adopting Future Land Use Map Amendments to the Snohomish County Growth Management Act Comprehensive Plan and amending the Zoning Map to implement changes to the Future Land Use Map (SW7-Marv Thomas)

[2021-0625](#)

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

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.

Chair Wright opened the hearing for public testimony and provided instructions for those wishing to provide remote testimony via Zoom. There being no

persons present wishing to testify, she closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

*See later in the minutes for action taken.*

Councilmember Low asked if all the ordinances had to be approved or if any could be continued. Mr. Countryman responded and spoke about options.

After further discussion it was deemed necessary to recess the Council for staff to determine appropriate procedure for considering tonight's ordinances.

At 6:46 p.m. Chair Wright recessed the Council until 7:00 p.m. At 7:00 p.m., Chair Wright extended the recess for an additional 10 minutes.

Chair Wright called the Council back to order at 7:10 p.m.

Mr. Countryman explained the path moving forward. He suggested taking public testimony on all Docket items first, then going back and making a motion on each item. He explained action would have to be concluded this evening.

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Wright  
Council Vice-Chair Dunn  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Councilmember Mead  
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff  
Justin Kasting, Prosecutor's Office  
Debbie Eco, Clerk of the Council

2. Ordinance 21-053, relating to the Growth Management Act, adopting Future Land Use Map Amendments to the Snohomish County Growth Management Act Comprehensive Plan and amending the Zoning Map to implement changes to the Future Land Use Map  
(SW5 - Edward Tokarz)

[2021-0626](#)

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

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.

Chair Wright opened the hearing for public testimony, there being no persons present wishing to testify, she closed the testimony portion of the hearing and opened the hearing for Ordinance No. 21-058.

*See later in the minutes for action taken.*

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Wright  
Council Vice-Chair Dunn  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Councilmember Mead  
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff  
Justin Kasting, Prosecutor's Office  
Debbie Eco, Clerk of the Council

*\*See names below for people who provided public testimony*

3. Ordinance 21-058, relating to the Growth Management Act, [2021-0627](#)  
adopting Future Land Use Map Amendments to the Snohomish  
County Growth Management Act Comprehensive Plan (SW6 - Tom  
Winde)

The clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.

*[Councilmember Nehring left the meeting at 7:17 p.m. and re-entered at 7:19 p.m.]*

Vice-Chair Dunn asked about the impacts of fees and environmental assessments if this is delayed to a future docket. Mr. Countryman responded.

Chair Wright opened the hearing for public testimony. The following people provided testimony:

Paul Carlton, Snohomish County resident, testified in opposition.  
David Toyer, Toyer Strategic, Lake Stevens, spoke on behalf of Tom Winde.  
Michelle Taul, resident of Highlands East, testified in opposition.  
Eric Plante, resident of Greenleaf neighborhood, testified about the traffic.  
Steve Davis, resident of Highlands East, testified in opposition.  
Megan Wolfe, resident of Greenleaf Neighborhood, testified in opposition.  
Scott Greely, resident of Greenleaf Neighborhood, testified in opposition.  
Jill Holt, resident of the city of Snohomish, testified in opposition.  
Sharie Nevala, resident of Greenleaf Neighborhood, testified in opposition.  
Terry Rigelman, resident of Greenleaf neighborhood, testified in opposition.

There being no further persons wishing to testify, Chair Wright closed the testimony portion of the hearing and opened the hearing for Ordinance No. 21-056.

*See later in the minutes for action taken.*

**Ordinance No. 21-056 and Motion 21-289 were considered together**

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Wright  
Council Vice-Chair Dunn  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Councilmember Mead  
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff  
Justin Kasting, Prosecutor’s Office  
Dave Barnes, Citizen  
Debbie Eco, Clerk of the Council

- 4. Ordinance 21-056, relating to the Growth Management Act, amending the Snohomish County Growth Management Act Comprehensive Plan (GMACP) Capital Facilities Plan to update sewer inventory information related to Olympic View Water and Sewer District (CFP1-Olympic View Water and Sewer District) [2021-0632](#)
- 5. Motion 21-289, concerning approval of the 2007 Olympic View Water and Sewer District Comprehensive Sewer Plan Amendment No. 2, August 2019 [2021-0633](#)

The clerk read the ordinance and motion titles into the record.

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, explained that the ordinance and motion are related and provided a staff report for both.

Chair Wright opened the hearing for public testimony. The following person provided testimony:

Dave Barnes, Olympic View Water and Sewer District.

There being no further persons wishing to testify, Chair Wright closed the testimony portion of the hearing and opened the hearing for Ordinance No. 21-054.

*See later in the minutes for actions taken.*

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Wright  
Council Vice-Chair Dunn  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Councilmember Mead  
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff  
Justin Kasting, Prosecutor's Office  
Debbie Eco, Clerk of the Council

6. Ordinance 21-054, relating to the Growth Management Act, [2021-0624](#)  
adopting Technical Amendments to the Snohomish County Growth  
Management Act Comprehensive Plan (GPP21-3 -Technical  
Corrections)

The clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and spoke about the proposed amendment sheets.

Chair Wright opened the hearing for public testimony, there being no persons wishing to testify, she closed the testimony portion of the hearing and opened the hearing for Ordinance No. 21-060.

*See later in the minutes for action taken.*

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Wright  
Council Vice-Chair Dunn  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Councilmember Mead  
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff  
Justin Kasting, Prosecutor's Office  
Mike McCrary, Planning & Development Services  
Mark Wolken, Citizen  
Debbie Eco, Clerk of the Council

7. Ordinance 21-060, relating to Growth Management, repealing [2021-0664](#)  
Chapter 30.31D of the Snohomish County Code, amending the  
Snohomish County Comprehensive Plan, Official Zoning Map, and  
Chapters 30.21, 30.22, 30.23, 30.25, 30.26, 30.32C, 30.41C,  
30.65, 30.66B, 30.67, 30.91A, 30.91D, and 30.91E of the  
Snohomish County Code to revise mineral resource land use  
policies and development regulations

The clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and spoke about the proposed amendment sheets.

Vice-Chair Dunn inquired about tribal outreach. Mr. Countryman responded and explained that the Planning & Development Services Department has consulted with the tribes. Vice-Chair Dunn expressed her concerns with the amount of direct outreach to the tribes in the county. Mike McCrary, Planning & Development Services, responded.

Chair Wright opened the hearing for public testimony. The following person provided testimony:

Mark Wolken, Snohomish County resident.

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

*See later in the minutes for action taken.*

Mr. Countryman summarized the options for Council action. After brief discussion, Council will take action on Ordinance No. 21-058 first and then move forward on the rest.

**ACTIONS:**

**Ordinance No. 21-058**

Councilmember Mead explained that he has enough information, he has spoken with the homeowner's association, prefers denying the proposal today (Ordinance 21-058) and moving forward with the rest.

Vice-Chair Dunn agreed with Councilmember Mead and explained that it is inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

Councilmember Low thanked all the people for testifying and for the written testimony. He provided additional comments and explained he supported a no vote.

ACTION: Councilmember Mead made a motion to deny Ordinance 21-058. Vice-Chair Dunn seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to deny Ordinance 21-058 carried unanimously.

**Ordinance No. 21-055**

ACTION: Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-055. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-055 carried unanimously.

**Ordinance No. 21-053**

ACTION: Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-053. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-053 carried four to one, with Chair Wright voting against.

**Ordinance No. 21-056**

ACTION: Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-056. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-056 carried unanimously.

**Motion No. 21-289**

ACTION: Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Motion No. 21-289. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Ordinance No. 21-054**

ACTION: Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-054. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion.

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

Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Amendment Sheet 2. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Amendment Sheet 3. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-054, as amended, carried unanimously.

**Ordinance No. 21-060**

ACTION: Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-060. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion.

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

Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Amendment Sheet 2. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion. Vice-Chair Dunn noted that she had reached out to the Tulalip Tribes today and this amendment will resolve their concerns. The question was called for and the motion to approve Amendment Sheet 2 carried unanimously.

The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-060, as amended, carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Chair Wright adjourned the Council for the day at 8:31 p.m.