ADOPTED: 07/14/21 1 2 EFFECTIVE: 3 4 SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL 5 6 SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON 7 8 AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 21-031 9 10 RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF CONSTRUCTION: ADOPTING THE 2018 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE AS REVISED; ADDING AND AMENDING FEES; AND 11 AMENDING AND ADDING SECTIONS IN CHAPTERS 30.53A AND 30.86 SCC 12 13 14 WHEREAS, under RCW 82.02.020, the county may collect reasonable fees from an applicant 15 to cover the cost to the County of processing applications, inspecting, and reviewing plans, or preparing detailed statements required by chapter 43.21C RCW; and 16 17 18 WHEREAS, the County must adjust fees to maintain financial self-sufficiency in providing permitting services, to align the fees charged to applicants with the type and level of services 19 provided, and to provide for improved cost recovery and fee equity, predictability, and simplicity; and 20 21 22 WHEREAS, Snohomish County Planning and Development Services ("PDS") has performed 23 an analysis to estimate the time it takes staff to perform the related permit functions and applied a full cost recovery methodology which includes the costs of labor, non-labor expenses, and 24 overhead to establish the proposed fees; and 25 26 27 WHEREAS, the merger of the International Conference of Building Officials with other code writing organizations led to the formation of the International Code Council, which led to the 28 creation of a group of international codes that replaced the Uniform Building Codes in 2003; and 29 30 31 WHEREAS, the Washington State Legislature adopted the most current construction codes as the State Building Code pursuant to the State Building Code Act, chapter 19.27 RCW; and 32 33 34 WHEREAS, the State Building Code Act adopts the International Building, Residential, and Fire Codes, as well as the Uniform Plumbing Code and other construction codes with state specific 35 amendments: and 36 37 WHEREAS, the new codes and standards contain updated construction and performance 38 39 standards, methods, technologies, and products; and 40 41 WHEREAS, the 2018 State Building Code became effective February 1, 2021; and 42 43 WHEREAS, the international and state building codes are updated comprehensively on a periodic basis for revised construction and performance standards, methods, technology, and products to 44 improve construction safety and provide greater flexibility to meet minimum standards; and 45

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WHEREAS, chapter 19.27 RCW mandates that the State Building Code be administered and enforced by counties and cities, and grants counties and cities limited authority to amend the code as it applies within their jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Snohomish County Council ("County Council") and the Snohomish County Executive have identified regulation of development to ensure safe and quality construction as a high priority and have delegated the responsibility for administering the State Building Code to PDS: and

WHEREAS, PDS endeavors to administer and enforce the State Building Code in accordance with chapter 19.27 RCW in order to provide for statewide consistency for the construction industry and the citizens within Snohomish County; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2021, the County Council held a public hearing after proper notice, heard public testimony related to the proposed code amendments, and considered the entire record; and

WHEREAS, following the public hearings, the County Council deliberated on the proposed code amendments;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED:

- Section 1. The County Council adopts the following findings in support of this ordinance:
- A. The foregoing recitals are adopted as findings as if set forth herein.
- B. The proposal would adopt the 2018 International Fire Code (IFC) as amended by the Washington State Building Code Council and adopted by the Washington State Legislature, and as revised by this ordinance.
- C. This ordinance will amend Title 30 Snohomish County Code (SCC) as follows:
 - 1. Amend chapter 30.53A SCC to: 1) codify twelve permits required by the State Building Code; 2) renumber the sections pertaining to construction permits; 3) revise the regulations pertaining to open burning to provide greater clarity; 4) amend Appendix B Table B105.2 to only allow a 50 percent reduction in required fire flow; 5) amend the automatic fire sprinkler provisions to adopt Section 903 of the IFC with county amendments; and 6) provide greater consistency with the IFC.
 - 2. Amend chapter 30.86 SCC to: 1) add new fees for permits relating to mobile food preparation vehicles and emergency response radios; and 2) add plant extraction to the existing fees for marijuana extraction system permit.
- D. The proposal implements the State Building Code and further streamlines and provides greater internal consistency of the SCC. Therefore, the proposal complies with and implements the following goal, objective, and policy contained in the Snohomish County GMA Comprehensive Plan – General Policy Plan ("GMACP – GPP"):

- 1. Goal ED 2 "Provide a planning and regulatory environment that facilitates growth of the local economy."
- 2. Objective ED 2.A "Develop and maintain a regulatory system that is fair, understandable, coordinated and timely."
- 3. Policy ED 2.A.1 "Snohomish County shall work to ensure that the Snohomish County Code is an understandable, accessible, and user friendly document."

E. Procedural requirements.

- 1. The proposed amendments are consistent with state law, including chapter 19.27 RCW.
- 2. State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), chapter 43.21C RCW, requirements with respect to this non-project action have been satisfied through the completion of an environmental checklist and the issuance of a determination of non-significance on April 6, 2021.
- 3. This ordinance is exempt from review by the Snohomish County Planning Commission ("Planning Commission") pursuant to SCC 30.73.040(2)(c) because it implements the State Building Code Act, not the Growth Management Act (GMA), chapter 66.70A RCW, and adopt fees also not subject to the GMA.
- 4. This ordinance does not adopt development regulations under SCC 30.10.080. Therefore, notice to the Washington State Department of Commerce ("Commerce") of intent to adopt pursuant to RCW 36.70A.106 is not required.
- 5. The public participation process used in the adoption of this ordinance has complied with all applicable requirements of the SCC.
- 6. The Washington State Attorney General last issued an advisory memorandum, as required by RCW 36.70A.370, in September of 2018 entitled "Advisory Memorandum: Avoiding Unconstitutional Takings of Private Property" to help local governments avoid the unconstitutional taking of private property. The process outlined in the State Attorney General's 2018 advisory memorandum was used by the County in objectively evaluating the regulatory changes proposed by this ordinance.

F. The proposed amendments are consistent with the record.

- 1. RCW 19.27.040 allows the governing body of each county and city to amend the State Building Code as it applies within the jurisdiction of the county or city. The minimum performance standards of the codes and the objectives enumerated in RCW 19.27.020 are not diminished by any county amendments.
- 2. Amendments to chapter 30.53A SCC are necessary to implement the State Building Code, provide greater clarity and internal code consistency, and further streamline the SCC.

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3. Amendments to chapter 30.86 SCC are necessary to establish fees to implement the State Building Code, and to better recoup the labor and non-labor expenses related to fully processing permits. The new fees were established in consideration of the staff time required to fully process the respective permits and for consistency with similar fees from other local jurisdictions.

- 4. The County's cost of services model for setting permit-related fees is based upon four main cost layers: labor expenses (salary and benefits); non-labor expenses; Countywide overhead; and additional costs related to development review. The labor expenses layer consists of, direct costs, indirect costs, and overhead costs that are included in the proposed fees.
- 5. The fees that the County will collect to process permits are reasonable and will reimburse the County for the staff time required to process applications.
- Section 2. The County Council makes the following conclusions:
- A. The County Council concludes that this ordinance adopting amendments to subtitle 30.5 SCC and the 2018 Edition of the IFC as amended by the State of Washington and effective February 1, 2021, together with local amendments permitted under RCW 19.27.040, is in the best interest of Snohomish County.
- B. The County Council concludes that the ordinance is consistent with the recent updates to the State Building Code Act adopted in chapter 19.27 RCW that became effective February 1, 2021.
- C. The proposed amendments are consistent with Washington state law and the SCC.
- D. The County Council concludes that the ordinance promotes the health, safety and welfare of the occupants or users of buildings and structures and the general public by providing building codes that require minimum performance standards and requirements for construction and construction materials, consistent with nationally accepted standards of engineering, fire and life safety.
- E. The County Council concludes that this ordinance does not adopt development regulations under SCC 30.10.080. Therefore, Planning Commission review is not required pursuant to SCC 30.73.040(2)(c).
- F. The County Council concludes that this ordinance does not adopt development regulations under SCC 30.10.080. Therefore, notice to Commerce of intent to adopt is not required pursuant to RCW 36.70A.106.
- G. The County Council concludes that the County has complied with all SEPA requirements with respect to this non-project action.
- H. The regulations proposed by this ordinance do not result in an unconstitutional taking of private property for public purpose.

 Section 3. The County Council bases its findings and conclusions on the entire record of the County Council, including all testimony and exhibits. Any finding, which should be deemed a conclusion, and any conclusion which should be deemed a finding, is hereby adopted as such.

Section 4. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.010, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 17-058 on October 18, 2017, is amended to read:

30.53A.010 International Fire Code (IFC) - adopted.

The ((2015))2018 edition of the International Fire Code (IFC), except chapter 1, ((and the automatic sprinkler provision of Section 903 of the 2015 edition of the International Building Code (IBC))) published by the International Code Council, as amended by the Washington State Building Code Council in chapter 19.27 RCW ((are)) is adopted and as otherwise expressly amended by this chapter, and ((are)) is incorporated and made a part of this chapter by reference.

Section 5. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.116, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is amended to read:

30.53A.116 Change of use or occupancy.

No change shall be made in the use or occupancy of any structure that would place the structure in a different division of the same group or occupancy or in a different group of occupancies, unless such structure is made to comply with the requirements of the fire code and the ((building code))International Existing Building Code. Subject to the approval of the fire marshal, the use or occupancy of an existing structure shall be allowed to be changed and the structure is allowed to be occupied for purposes in other groups without conforming to all the requirements of the fire code and the ((building code))International Existing Building Code for those groups, provided the new or proposed use is less hazardous, based on life and fire risk, than the existing use.

Section 6. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.173, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is amended to read:

30.53A.173 Alternative materials, design, and methods of construction and equipment.

The provisions of the fire code are not intended to prevent the installation of any material or to prohibit any <u>design or</u> method of construction not specifically prescribed by the fire code, provided that any such alternative has been approved. The fire marshal is authorized to approve an alternative material, <u>design</u>, or method of construction where the fire marshal finds that the proposed design is satisfactory and complies with the intent of the provisions of the fire code, and that the material, <u>design</u>, method or work offered is, for the purpose intended, ((at least)) <u>not less than</u> the equivalent of that prescribed in the fire code in quality, strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability and safety. <u>Where the alternative material</u>, <u>design or method of construction is not approved</u>, the fire marshal shall respond in writing, stating the reasons why the alternative was not approved.

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Section 7. A new section is added to Chapter 30.53A of the Snohomish County Code to read:

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30.53A.195 Repairs.

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- (1) Emergency Repairs. Where equipment replacement and repairs must be performed in an emergency situation, a permit application shall be submitted within the next working business day to the fire marshal.
- (2) Repairs. Application or notice to the fire marshal is not required for ordinary repairs to structures, equipment or systems. Such repairs shall not include the cutting away of any wall, partition, or portion thereof, the removal or change of an required means of egress, or rearrangement of parts of a structure affecting the egress requirements; nor shall any repairs include addition to, alternation of, replacement, or relocation of any standpipe, fire protection water supply, automatic sprinkler system, fire alarm system, or other work affecting fire protection or life safety.

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Section 8. A new section is added to Chapter 30.53A of the Snohomish County Code to read:

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30.53A.297 Mobile food preparation vehicles.

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A permit is required for mobile food preparation vehicles equipped with appliances that produce smoke or grease-laden vapors or utilize LP-gas systems or CNG systems.

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Section 9. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.298, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is amended to read:

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30.53A.298 Open burning.

A burn permit is required for the kindling or maintaining of an open fire or a fire on any public street, alley, road, or other public or private ground. ((Open fires are prohibited at county landfill

30 sites.))

- The following prohibitions and requirements apply to all outdoor burning:
- 32 (1) Size of permitted burn pile for natural unprocessed vegetation. The size of a permitted burn pile
- comprised of dry yard and garden waste shall not exceed 4 x 4 x 3 feet.
 Prohibited materials. The following materials may not be burned in any outdoor fire:
- Garbage, dead animals, asphalt, petroleum products, paints, rubber products, plastics, paper
- 36 (other than what is necessary to start a fire), cardboard, treated wood, construction/
- 37 <u>demolition debris, metal, or any substance (other than natural vegetation) that normally releases</u>
- toxic emissions, dense smoke, or obnoxious odors when burned.
- 39 (3) Hauled material. No outdoor fire may contain material (other than firewood) that has been
- 40 <u>hauled from an area where outdoor burning of the material is prohibited under WAC 173-425-040.</u>
- 41 Any outdoor burning of material hauled from areas where outdoor burning of the material is
- 42 allowed requires an appropriate permit under WAC 173-425-060(2).
- 43 (4) Open fires at county landfill sites are prohibited.
- 44 (5) <u>Urban growth areas. Residential burning and land clearing burning may not be allowed in any</u> urban growth areas.
 - (6) Curtailments. No outdoor fire may be ignited in a geographical area where:

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| 11 | Section 10. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.332, last amended by Amended |
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| 12 | Ordinance No. 17-058 on October 18, 2017, is amended to read: |
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| 14 | 30.53A.332 Required construction permits. |
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| 16 | The building official is authorized to issue construction permits for work as set forth in SCC |
| 17 | ((30.53A.334 through 30.53A.357)) 30.53A.332.2 through 30.53A.332.52. |
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| 19 20 | Section 11. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.334, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is renumbered as follows: |
| 21 | Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is renumbered as follows. |
| 22 | ((30.53A.334)) 30.53A.332.2 Automatic fire-extinguishing systems. |
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| 24 | A construction permit is required for installation of or modification to an automatic fire-extinguishing |
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| 28 | Section 12. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.333, last amended by Amended |
| 29 | Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is renumbered as follows and amended to read: |
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| 31 | ((30.53A.336)) <u>30.53A.332.4</u> Battery systems. |
| 32 | A construction permit is required to install stationary storage battery systems ((having a |
| 33 | liquid capacity of more than 50 gallons (189 L))) regulated by Section 1206.2 of the IFC. |
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| 35 36 | Section 13 A new section is added to Chapter 30.53A of the Snohomish County to read: |
| 37 | 30.53A.332.6 Capacitor energy storage systems. |
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| 39 | A construction permit is required to install capacitor energy storage system regulated by Section |
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| 42 | Section 14. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.338, last amended by Amended |
| 43 | Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is renumbered as follows: |
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| 45 | ((30.53A.338)) <u>30.53A.332.8</u> Compressed gases. |
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| 47 | A construction permit is required to install, repair damage, abandon, remove, place temporarily out |
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(a) Ecology has declared an air pollution episode;

(c) A burn ban is in effect.

(b) Ecology or a local air authority has declared impaired air quality; or

(7) Unlawful outdoor burning. It is unlawful for any person to cause or allow outdoor burning that

causes an emission of smoke or any other air contaminant that is detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of any person, that causes damage to property or business, or that causes a

(8) Recreational fires. When allowed recreational fires as defined in the IFC do not require a burn

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permit.

Exceptions.

- (1) Routine maintenance.
- (2) For emergency repair work performed on an emergency basis, the fire marshal shall be contacted within two working days of commencement of work to determine if an operational permit is required.

Section 15. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.339, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is renumbered as follows:

((30.53A.339)) 30.53A.332.10 Cryogenic fluids.

A construction permit is required for installation of or an alteration to outdoor stationary cryogenic fluid storage systems. Maintenance performed in accordance with the fire code is not considered a modification and does not require a construction permit.

Section 16. A new section is added to Chapter 30.53A of the Snohomish County to read:

30.53A.332.12 Emergency responder radio coverage systems.

A construction permit is required for installation of or modification to emergency responder radio coverage systems and related equipment. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered to be a modification and does not require a construction permit.

Section 17. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.340, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is renumbered as follows:

((30.53A.340)) 30.53A.332.14 Fire alarm and detection systems and related equipment.

A construction permit is required for installation of or modification to fire alarm and detection systems and related equipment. Maintenance performed in accordance with the fire code is not considered a modification and does not require a permit.

Section 18. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.342, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is renumbered as follows:

((30.53A.342)) 30.53A.332.16 Fire pumps and related equipment.

A construction permit is required for installation of or modification to fire pumps and related fuel tanks, jockey pumps, controllers, and generators. Maintenance performed in accordance with the fire code is not considered a modification and does not require a permit.

Section 19. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.344, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is renumbered as follows:

((30.53A.344)) 30.53A.332.18 Flammable and combustible liquids.

fuel-dispensing stations, refineries, distilleries and similar facilities where flammable and

(3) To install, alter, remove, abandon or otherwise dispose of a flammable or combustible

Section 20. New section 30.53A.332.20 is added to Chapter 30.53A of the Snohomish

Section 21. A new section is added to Chapter 30.53A of the Snohomish County to read:

Section 22. A new section is added to Chapter 30.53A of the Snohomish County to read:

A construction permit is required for the installation of or modification to a gate or barricade across

Section 23. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.346, last amended by Amended

A construction permit is required for the installation of or modification to gas detection systems. Maintenance performed in accordance with the fire code is not considered a modification and shall

combustible liquids are produced, processed, transported, stored, dispensed or used.

A construction permit is required to install stationary fuel cell power systems.

30.53A.332.24 Gates and barricades across fire apparatus access roads.

Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is renumbered as follows:

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A construction permit is required:

30.53A.332.20 Fuel cell power system.

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(1) To install, repair or modify a pipeline for the transportation of flammable or combustible liquids. (2) To install, construct or alter tank vehicles, equipment, tanks, plants, terminals, wells,

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A construction permit is required to install, repair damage to, abandon, remove, place temporarily

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(1) Routine maintenance.

(2) Emergency repair work for which an application for permit is made within two working

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out of service, or close or substantially modify a storage facility or other area regulated by chapter

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((30.53A.346)) <u>30.53A.332.26</u> Hazardous materials.

Section 24. A new section is added to Chapter 30.53A of the Snohomish County to read:

Section 25. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.348, last amended by Amended

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A construction permit is required for the installation of or modification to a structure exceeding 500 7 square feet (46 m²), including aisles, for high-piled combustible storage. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered to be a modification and does not require a 8 9 construction permit.

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((30.53A.348)) <u>30.53A.332.30</u> Industrial ovens.

30.53A.332.28 High-piled combustible storage.

A construction permit is required for installation of industrial ovens covered by chapter 30 of the IFC.

Exceptions:

- (1) Routine maintenance.
- (2) For repair work for which an application for permit is made within two working days of commencement of work.
- Section 26. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.350, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is renumbered as follows:

((30.53A.350)) 30.53A.332.32 Liquid petroleum gas systems.

Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is renumbered as follows:

A construction permit is required for installation of or modification to a liquid petroleum gas system.

Section 27. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.298, added by Amended Ordinance No. 17-058 on October 18, 2017, is renumbered as follows and amended to read:

((30.53A.351)) 30.53A.332.34 Marijuana extraction systems.

A construction permit is required to install a marijuana/cannabis extraction system regulated under WAC 314-55-104. Maintenance performed under the fire code is not considered to be a modification and does not require a permit.

Section 28. A new section is added to Chapter 30.53A of the Snohomish County to read:

30.53A.332.36 Motor vehicle repair rooms and booths.

A construction permit is required to install or modify a motor vehicle repair room or booth. Maintenance performed under the fire code is not considered to be a modification and does not require a permit.

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3 4 Section 29. A new section is added to Chapter 30.53A of the Snohomish County to read:

30.53A.332.38 Plant extraction systems.

A construction permit is required for installation or modification to plant extraction systems. Maintenance performed under the fire code is not considered to be a modification and does not require a permit.

Section 30. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.352, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is renumbered as follows:

((30.53A.352)) 30.53A.332.40 Private fire hydrants.

A construction permit is required for the installation or modification of private fire hydrants.

Section 31. A new section is added to Chapter 30.53A of the Snohomish County to read:

30.53A.332.42 Smoke control or smoke exhaust systems.

A construction permit is required for installation or modification of smoke control or smoke exhaust systems. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered to be an alteration and does not require a permit.

Section 32. A new section is added to Chapter 30.53A of the Snohomish County to read:

30.53A.332.44 Solar photovoltaic power systems.

A construction permit is required to install or modify solar photovoltaic power systems. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered to be a modification and does not require a permit.

Section 33. A new section is added to Chapter 30.53A of the Snohomish County to read:

30.53A.332.46 Special event structure.

A single construction permit is required to erect and take down a temporary event structure.

Section 34. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.354, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is renumbered as follows:

((30.53A.354)) <u>30.53A.332.48</u> Spraying or dipping.

A construction permit is required to install or modify a spray room, dip tank or booth.

Section 35. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.356, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is renumbered as follows:

((30.53A.356)) <u>30.53A.332.50</u> Standpipe systems.

A construction permit is required for the installation, modification, or removal from service of a standpipe system. Maintenance performed in accordance with the fire code is not considered a modification and does not require a permit.

Section 36. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.357, added by Amended Ordinance No. 17-058 on October 18, 2017, is renumbered as follows:

((30.53A.357)) 30.53A.332.52 Underground supply piping for automatic sprinkler system.

A construction permit is required for the installation of the portion of the underground water supply piping, public or private, supplying a water-based fire protection system. The permit shall apply to all underground piping and appurtenances downstream of the first control valve on the lateral piping or service line from the distribution main to one foot above finished floor of the facility with the fire protection system. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered to be a modification and does not require a permit.

Permit Exceptions.

- (1) When the underground piping is installed by the aboveground piping contractor.
- (2) Underground piping serves a fire protection system installed in accordance with NFPA 13D.

Section 37. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.364, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is amended to read:

30.53A.364 Concealed work.

It shall be the duty of the permit applicant to cause the work to remain ((accessible and exposed)) visible and able to be accessed for inspection purposes. Whenever any installation subject to inspection prior to use is covered or concealed without having first been inspected, the fire marshal shall have the authority to require that such work be ((exposed for inspection)) made visible and able to be accessed for inspection. Neither the fire marshal nor the county shall be liable for expense entailed in the removal or replacement of any material required to allow inspection.

Section 38. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.372, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is amended to read:

30.53A.372 Test and inspection ((records)) record keeping.

((Required test and inspection records)) A record of periodic inspections, tests, servicing and other operations and maintenance shall be maintained on the premises or other approved location for not less than three years, or a different period of time where specified in the fire code or referenced standards. Records shall be made available to the fire marshal ((at all times or such records as the fire marshal designates shall)) for inspection and a copy of the records shall be provided to the fire marshal on request. The fire marshal is authorized to prescribe the form and format of such recordkeeping. The fire marshal is authorized to require that certain required records be filed with the fire marshal.

Section 39. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.378, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 14-059 on August 27, 2014, is amended to read:

30.53A.378 Rendering equipment inoperable.

Portable or fixed fire-extinguishing systems or devices and fire-warning systems shall be provided with ready access and shall not be rendered inoperative or inaccessible except as necessary during emergencies, maintenance, repairs, alterations, drills or prescribed testing.

Section 40. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.357, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 17-058 on October 18, 2017, is amended to read:

30.53A.512 Fire apparatus access roads - replaced.

Section 503 of the IFC is deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

503.1 Where required. Fire apparatus access roads shall be provided and maintained in accordance with sections 503.1.1 through 503.1.3.

 503.1.1 Buildings and facilities. Fire apparatus access roads shall be provided in accordance with sections 501 and 503 of the IFC for every facility, building or portion of a building hereafter constructed or moved into or within the county when any portion of the facility or any portion of an exterior wall of the first story of the building is located more than 150 feet from fire apparatus access as measured by an approved route around the exterior of the building or facility. See also section 504 of the IFC for personnel access to buildings. When access roads cannot be installed due to location on property, topography, waterways, nonnegotiable grades or other similar conditions, the fire marshal is authorized to require alternative fire protection.

Exceptions:

1. When buildings are completely protected with an approved automatic fire sprinkler system installed in accordance with this chapter, the fire apparatus access road requirements may be modified by the fire marshal.

2. When there are no more than two dwelling units, or Group U Occupancies, the requirements of sections 503.1.1 and 503.2 of the IFC may be modified by the fire marshal.

503.1.2 Additional access. More than one fire apparatus road shall be provided when it is determined by the fire marshal that access by a single road might be impaired by vehicle congestion, condition of terrain, climatic conditions or other factors that could limit access. For high-piled combustible storage, section 3206.6 of the IFC applies. For required access during construction, alteration or demolition of a building, section 1410.1 of the IFC applies.

503.1.3 High piled storage. Fire department vehicle access to buildings used for high-piled combustible storage shall comply with the applicable provisions of chapter 23 of the IFC.

503.2 Specifications. Fire apparatus roads shall be installed and arranged in accordance with sections 503.2.1 through 503.2.8, as modified by this chapter.

503.2.1 Dimensions. Fire apparatus access roads shall have an unobstructed width of not less than 20 feet (6096 mm), exclusive of shoulders, except for approved security gates in accordance with section 503.6, and an unobstructed vertical clearance of 13 feet and 6 inches (4115 mm).

503.2.2 Authority. Vertical clearances of 13 feet and 6 inches in height or widths of 20' shall be increased when, in the opinion of the fire marshal, vertical clearances or widths are not adequate to provide fire apparatus access.

503.2.3 Surface. All fire apparatus access roadways shall be constructed of either gravel, asphalt or some other all-weather surface capable of supporting vehicles consistent with Engineering Design and Development Standards (EDDS).

503.2.4 Turning Radius. Turns, bends, or sweeps in fire apparatus access roadways shall be designed at not less than ((twenty))20-foot inside-turning ((radii)) radius nor less than ((forty))40-foot outside-turning radius. For private dead-end fire lanes ending with a permanent hammerhead, the minimum inside turning radius shall be 25-feet. For private road network elements the fire marshal may require a minimum turning radius of 25 feet (inside radius) and 45 feet (outside radius) for fire lanes that serve structures over 30 feet in height.

503.2.5 Dead ends. Dead-end fire apparatus access roads in excess of 150 feet in length shall be provided with a turnaround unless a modification is granted by the fire marshal. Dead-end fire apparatus access roads that exceed 1,200 feet in length shall be provided with intermediate turnarounds to provide adequate fire apparatus turn-around or the fire marshal is authorized to require additional fire protection.

 503.2.6 Bridges. When a bridge is required to be used as part of a fire apparatus access road, it shall be constructed and maintained in accordance with the department of public works engineering design and development standards adopted by the county. The bridge shall be designed to carry an AASHTO (American Association of State Highway and Traffic Officials) HL-93 Load Resistance Factor Design method live load or greater. Bridges shall be sufficient to carry the imposed loads of fire apparatus. Vehicle load limits shall be posted at both entrances to bridges when required by the fire marshal.

503.2.7 Grade. The gradient for a fire apparatus access road shall not exceed 15 percent. Cul-desac bulb grades shall not exceed six percent.

503.3 Marking. Where required by the fire marshal, approved signs or other approved notices or markings that include the words NO PARKING - FIRE LANE shall be provided for fire apparatus roads to identify such roads or prohibit the obstruction thereof. The means by which fire lanes are designated shall be maintained in a clean or legible condition at all times and be replaced or repaired when necessary to provide adequate visibility.

503.4 Obstruction of fire apparatus access roads. Fire apparatus access roads shall not be obstructed in any manner, including the parking of vehicles.

 503.5 Required gates or barricade. The fire marshal is authorized to require the installation and maintenance of gates or other approved barricades across fire apparatus access roads, trails or other accessways, not including public streets, alleys or highways. Electric gate operators, where provided, shall be listed in accordance with UL 325. Gates intended for automatic operation shall be designed, constructed and installed to comply with the requirements of ASTM F 2200.

503.5.1 Entrances secured by gates or barriers. Entrances to roads, trails or other access way which have been closed with gates and barriers in accordance with section 503.5 of the IFC shall not be obstructed by parked vehicles.

503.6 Gates accessing residential developments. Gates installed in a residential community shall be equipped with a strobe activation device unless the local fire district does not have the capability to activate such device and another device is approved by the local fire district. Minimum gate width opening shall be 20 feet. The gate is required to open automatically with the approach of emergency vehicles. In the event of a loss of power, the gate shall open automatically and remain in the open position until power is restored.

Exemption: 2 or fewer dwelling units as approved by the local fire district.

503.7 Split entries to plats, short plats and single-family detached units (SFDU). Split entries into plats, short plats and SFDUs shall be allowed where each aisle (lane) is at least 14 feet in width.

503.8 Cul-de-sac Planters. Planters may be installed in cul-de-sacs when the outside radius of the cul-de-sac is a minimum of 50 feet and the inside radius is a minimum of 25 feet.

Section 41. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.515, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 11-024 on August 3, 2011, is amended to read:

30.53A.515 Type of water supply - deleted (IFC 507.2).

Section ((508.2)) 507.2 of the IFC is deleted in its entirety.

Section 42. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.530, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 17-058 on October 18, 2017, is repealed.

Section 43. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.532, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 17-058 on October 18, 2017, is repealed.

Section 44. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.536, added by Ordinance No. 07-087 on September 5, 2007, is amended to read:

30.53A.536 Permit required - deleted (IFC ((3301.2)) <u>5601.2</u>).

Section ((3301.2))5601.2 of the IFC is deleted in its entirety.

30.53A.538 Appendix B Table B105.2.

Table B105.2 of Appendix B of the IFC is amended to read:

TABLE B105.2 REQUIRED FIRE FLOW FOR BUILDINGS OTHER THAN ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS, GROUP R-3 AND R-4 BUILDINGS AND TOWNHOUSES

| AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEM (Design Standard) | MINIMUM FIRE FLOW (gallons per minute) | FLOW DURATION (hours) |
|--|---|--|
| No automatic sprinkler system | Value in Table B105.1(2) | Duration in Table B105.1(2) |
| Section 903.3.1.1 of the International Fire Code | ((25%)) <u>50%</u> of the value in Table B105.1(2) ^a | Duration in Table B105.1(2) at the reduced flow rate |
| Section 903.3.1.2 of the International Fire Code | ((25%)) <u>50%</u> of the value in Table B105.1(2) ^b | Duration in Table B105.1(2) at the reduced flow rate |

For SI: 1 gallon per minute = 3.785 L/m.

- a. The reduced fire flow shall be not less than 1,000 gallons per minute.
- b. The reduced fire flow shall be not less than 1,500 gallons per minute.

Section 46. Snohomish County Code Section 30.53A.714, added by Ordinance No. 07-087 on September 5, 2007, is amended to read:

30.53A.714 Retailer of fireworks - signage, closure, and extinguishers.

- (1) Approved "No Smoking Within 25 Feet" signs shall be posted at conspicuous locations designated by the local inspection authority. Each sign shall have the words "No Smoking" in red letters at least two inches in height on a white background. Metal signs may be used in locations exposed to the weather, but all signs shall be maintained in a legible condition.
- (2) Each retail fireworks location shall have at least two water-type extinguishers of at least two and one half gallon capacity <u>and one minimum five pound ABC-type extinguisher with 2A:10B:C</u>, or alternate equipment deemed equivalent by the office of the fire marshal.
- (3) During the hours that a fireworks stand or location is not open for business, it shall be closed and locked unless all fireworks have been removed.

Section 47. Snohomish County Code Chapter 30.53A Part 900 – 1100, added by Amended Ordinance 17-058 on October 18, 2017, is repealed in its entirety and replaced to read:

PART 900 Automatic Sprinkler Systems – Amendments to Section 903 of the IFC

Section 903 of the IFC is amended as follows:

30.53A.903.2.1.1 Group A-1.

Section 903.2.1.1 of the IFC is amended to read:

 An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided throughout stories containing Group A-1 occupancies and throughout all stories from the Group A-1 occupancy to and including the level of exit discharge serving that occupancy where one of the following conditions exists:

- (1) The fire area exceeds ((12,000 square feet (1115m²)))10,000 square feet (929 m²).
- 10 (2) The fire area has an occupant load of 300 or more.
 - (3) The fire area is located on a floor other than a level of exit discharge serving such occupancies.
 - (4) The fire area contains a multi-theater complex.

30.53A.903.2.1.3 Group A-3.

Section 903.2.1.3 of the IFC is amended to read:

- An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided throughout stories containing Group A-3 occupancies and throughout all stories from the Group A-3 occupancy to and including the levels of exit discharge serving that occupancy where one of the following conditions exists:
- 22 (1) The fire area exceeds ((12,000 square feet (1115m²)))10,000 square feet (929 m²).
- 23 (2) The fire area has an occupant load of 300 or more.
 - (3) The fire area is located on a floor other than a level of exit discharge serving such occupancies.

30.53A.903.2.1.4 Group A-4.

Section 903.2.1.4 of the IFC is amended to read:

- An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided throughout stories containing Group A-4 occupancies and throughout all stories from the Group A-4 occupancy to and including the levels of exit discharge serving the occupancy where one of the following conditions exists:
- (1) The fire area exceeds ((12,000 square feet (1115m²)))10,000 square feet (929 m²).
- (2) The fire area has an occupant load of 300 or more.
- (3) The fire area is located on a floor other than a level of exit discharge serving such occupancies.

30.53A.903.2.3 Group E.

Section 903.2.3 of the IFC is amended to read:

An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided for fire areas containing Group E occupancies where the fire area has an occupant load of 51 or more, calculated in accordance with Table 1004.1.2.

EXCEPTIONS:

- (1) Portable school classrooms with an occupant load of 50 or less calculated in accordance with Table 1004.1.2, provided that the aggregate area of any cluster of portable classrooms does not exceed ((6,000 square feet (557 m²)))5,000 square feet (465 m²); and clusters of portable school classrooms shall be separated as required by the building code; or
- (2) Portable school classrooms with an occupant load from 51 through 98, calculated in accordance with Table 1004.1.2, and provided with two means of direct independent exterior egress from each classroom in accordance with Chapter 10, and one exit from each class room shall be accessible, provided that the aggregate area of any cluster of portable classrooms does not exceed ((6,000 square feet (557 m²)))5,000 square feet (465 m²); and clusters of portable school classrooms shall be separated as required by the building code; or
- (3) Fire areas containing day care and preschool facilities with a total occupant load of 100 or less located at the level of exit discharge where every room in which care is provided has not fewer than one exit discharge door.

30.53A.903.2.4 Group F-1.

Section 903.2.4 of the IFC is amended to read:

- An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided throughout all buildings containing a Group F-1 occupancy where one of the following conditions exists:
- 23 (1) A Group F-1 fire area exceeds ((12,000 square feet (1115m²)))10,000 square feet (929 m²).
 - (2) A Group F-1 fire area is located more than three stories above grade plane.
- 25 (3) The combined area of all Group F-1 fire areas on all floors, including any mezzanines, exceeds $((24,000 \text{ square feet } (2230 \text{ m}^2))) 20,000 \text{ square feet } (1,858 \text{ m}^2).$
 - (4) A Group F-1 occupancy used for the manufacture of upholstered furniture or mattresses exceeds 2,500 square feet (232 m²).

30.53A.903.2.7 ((Group)) Groups B and M.

Section 903.2.7 of the IFC is amended to read:

- An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided throughout buildings containing a Group <u>B or M</u> occupancy where one of the following conditions exists:
- 36 (1) The ((Group M)) fire area exceeds (($\frac{12,000 \text{ square feet } (1115\text{m}^2)}{10,000 \text{ square feet } (929 \text{ m}^2)}$.
- 38 (2) A ((Group M)) fire area is located more than three stories above grade plane.
- 39 (3) The combined areas of all ((Group M)) fire areas on all floors, including any mezzanines, exceeds ((24,000 square feet (2230 m²)))20,000 square feet (1,858 m²).
- 41 (4) Group M occupancies used for the display and sale of upholstered furniture or mattresses 42 exceeds 5,000 square feet (464 m²).

30.53A.903.2.9 Group S-1.

Section 903.2.9 of the IFC is amended to read:

An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided throughout all buildings containing a Group S-1

- 1 occupancy where one of the following conditions exists:
 - (1) A Group S-1 fire area exceeds ((12,000 square feet (1115m²)))10,000 square feet (929 m²).
- 3 (2) A Group S-1 fire area is located more than three stories above grade plane.
- 4 (3) The combined area of all Group S-1 fire areas on all floors, including any mezzanines, exceeds ((24,000 square feet (2230 m²)))20,000 square feet (1,858 m²).
 - (4) A Group S-1 fire area used for the storage of commercial motor vehicles where the fire area exceeds 5,000 square feet (464 m²).

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30.53A.903.2.9.1 Repair garages.

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Section 903.2.9.1 of the IFC is amended to read:

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- An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided throughout all buildings used as repair garages in accordance with section 406.8 of the International Building Code, as shown:
- (1) Buildings having two or more stories above grade plane, including basements, with a fire area containing a repair garage exceeding 10,000 square feet (929 m²).
- (2) Buildings with no more than one story above grade plane, with a fire area containing a repair garage exceeding ((12,000 square feet (1115m²)))10,000 square feet (929 m²).
- (3) Buildings with a repair garage servicing vehicles parked in basements.
- (4) A Group S-1 fire area used for the repair of commercial motor vehicles where the fire area exceeds 5,000 square feet (464 m²).

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30.53A.903.2.10 Group S-2 enclosed parking garages.

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Section 903.2.10 of the IFC is amended to read:

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- An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided throughout buildings classified as enclosed parking garages in accordance with Section 406.6 of the International Building Code where either of the following conditions exists:
- (1) Where the fire area of the enclosed parking garage exceeds ((12,000 square feet (1115m²)))10,000 square feet (929 m²).
 - (2) Where the enclosed parking garage is located beneath other groups.

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Exception. Enclosed parking garages located beneath Group R-3 occupancies.

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Section 48. Snohomish County Code Section 30.86.430, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 17-058 on October 18, 2017, is amended to read:

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30.86.430 Fire code fees.

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Table 30.86.430 Fire Code Fees

| ANNUAL FIRE INSPECTION FEE (1) | | | |
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| eet FEE | | | |
| B, M, R (Less than 20 Units), U Occupancies (Group 1) | A, E, R (More than 20 Units) Occupancies (Group 2) | F, H, I, S Occupancies (Group 3) | |
| \$45 | \$75 | \$95 | |
| \$65 | \$105 | \$165 | |
| \$95 | \$155 | \$245 | |
| \$115 | \$185 | \$285 | |
| \$125 | \$195 | \$300 | |
| \$145 | \$230 | \$315 | |
| \$165 | \$275 | \$330 | |
| \$175 | \$295 | \$345 | |
| \$190 | \$310 | \$365 | |
| \$215 | \$350 | \$375 | |
| \$230 | \$375 | \$385 | |
| \$245 | \$400 | \$400 | |
| \$260 | \$425 | \$425 | |
| \$275 | \$450 | \$450 | |
| \$300 | \$475 | \$475 | |
| \$350 | \$500 | \$500 | |
| \$400 | \$525 | \$525 | |
| \$450 | \$550 | \$550 | |
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| For uncorrected violations at time of re-inspection | | \$60 | |
| PERMIT FEES | | | |
| Fuel storage tank | | | |
| | FEE B, M, R (Less than 20 Units), U Occupancies (Group 1) \$45 \$65 \$95 \$115 \$125 \$145 \$165 \$175 \$190 \$215 \$230 \$245 \$260 \$275 \$300 \$450 \$450 | Reference | |

| GATE OR BARRICADE A mechanical base fee per | CROSS A FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROAD (These SCC Table 30.86.400(5).) | se fees are subject to a commercial | | |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| Plan review | \$130 | | | |
| Inspection | | \$150 | | |
| | NKLER SYSTEM FEES (These fees are subject to a requires a separate permit.) | mechanical base fee per SCC Table | | |
| Commercial (NFPA 13R | and NFPA 13 Systems*) | | | |
| Number of heads | Plan review fee due at application | Permit fee due at issuance | | |
| 1-25 | \$260 | \$150 | | |
| 26-50 | \$400 | \$300 | | |
| 51-100 | \$450 | \$375 | | |
| 101-500 | \$525 | \$450 | | |
| 501-1,000 | \$780 | \$675 | | |
| Over 1,000 | \$1,300 | \$900 | | |
| *Includes specialty fire su | ppression systems | | | |
| Single-Family Residenti | Single-Family Residential (NFPA 13D Systems) | | | |
| Number of heads | Plan review fee due at application | Permit fee due at issuance | | |
| 1-50 | \$65 | \$200 | | |
| 51-100 | \$130 | \$300 | | |
| 101-1,000 | \$400 | \$750 | | |
| FIRE PUMP (These fees a | FIRE PUMP (These fees are subject to a mechanical base fee per SCC Table 30.86.400(5).) | | | |
| Fire pump | Plan review fee due at application | Permit fee due at issuance | | |
| Per each fire pump | \$260 | \$450 | | |
| UNDERGROUND SUPPL base fee per SCC Table 3 | Y PIPING FOR AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEM 0.86.400(5).) | (These fees are subject to a mechanical | | |
| | Plan review | Permit | | |
| | \$260 | \$150 | | |

FIRE ALARMS (new or additions)

(These fees are subject to a mechanical base fee per SCC Table 30.86.400(5). Each system requires a separate permit.)

| Number of appliances and devices* | Plan review fee due at application | Permit fee due at issuance |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1-10 | \$130 | \$150.00 |
| 11-50 | \$200 | \$300.00 |
| 51-100 | \$250 | \$450.00 |
| 101-200 | \$525 | \$600.00 |
| 201-500 | \$650 | \$1,200 |
| 501-1,000 | \$780 | \$1,800 |
| Over 1,000 | \$1,050 | \$2,400 |

^{*} Includes, but is not limited to, horn strobes, bells, beam detectors, pull stations, smoke detectors, and heat detectors.

EMERGENCY RESPONDER RADIO

(These fees are subject to a mechanical base fee per SCC Table 30.86.400(5). Each system requires a separate permit.)

| (These fees are subject to a mechanical base fee per S | SCC Table 30.86.400(5). Each sys | tem requires a separate permit.) |
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| Plan review fee due at application | | Permit fee due at issuance |
| <u>\$170</u> | | \$180 |
| SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT | | |
| Special Event Type | Number of Participants | Fees |
| Private | 50 or more | \$430 |
| Public | 50-99 | \$430 |
| Public | 100 or more | \$490 |
| Mobile Food Preparation Vehicles (annual permit) | | \$260 however, this fee will be \$100 if the applicant provides a current completed and approved "Regional Fire Marshals Mobile Food Preparation Vehicle Inspection Checklist" and permit from a participating fire agency. |

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| PYROTECHNIC FIREWO | PRKS | |
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| Retail fireworks | | \$100 |
| Wholesale fireworks | | \$100 |
| OPEN BURNING PERM | ITS | |
| Residential | | \$30 |
| Residential Annual Renewal | | \$15 |
| Land Clearing | | \$300 |
| MARIJUANA <u>/PLANT</u> EX | (TRACTION SYSTEMS (These fees are subject to a | commercial mechanical base fee per SCC |
| Table 30.86.400(5).) | | |
| Valuation of system | Plan review fee due at application | Permit fee due at issuance |
| < \$25,000 | \$400 | \$300 |
| \$25,000 - \$50,000 | \$525 | \$450 |
| \$50,001 - \$100,000 | \$650 | \$600 |
| > \$100,000 | \$780 | \$750 |
| Reference note: | , | 1 |
| (1) These fees shall be ch | narged for all inspections required by chapter 30.53 | A SCC based upon the square footage |

Section 49. Severability and Savings. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

area of inspected premises and the residential or building code classification associated with the primary use of the

PASSED this 14th day of July, 2021.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

Stephanie Wright, Chairperson

| 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 | ATTEST: Debbie Eco, CMC Clerk of the Council | | |
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