



Committee of the Whole

Cynthia Foley

Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

ECAF: 2025-1453

Motion: 25-225

Type:

- ☒ Contract
☐ Board Appt.
☐ Code Amendment
☐ Budget Action
☐ Other

Requested Handling:

- ☐ Normal
☒ Expedite
☐ Urgent

Fund Source:

- ☐ General Fund
☒ Other
☐ N/A

Executive Rec:

- ☒ Approve
☐ Do Not Approve
☐ N/A

Approved as to

Form:

- ☐ Yes
☒ No
☐ N/A

Subject: Interlocal Agreement between Snohomish County and the City of Lynnwood regarding the Snohomish County Outreach Team

Scope: An Interlocal Agreement between Snohomish County and the City of Lynnwood supports services by the Snohomish County Outreach Team. The goal of the program is to provide an alternative police response to those with social service needs.

The proposed contract embeds a social worker employee within the police force of the Cities of Lynnwood and Mountlake Terrace. The social worker will assist police responses for people with behavioral health, housing, and financial needs. The social worker will also be responsible for providing social service training for officers.

The contract period extends from August 1, 2024, through December 31, 2026. The scope of the contract is split into two time periods.

From August 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, the scope of the contract encompasses all program costs and 1.0 FTE that is employed and supervised by Snohomish County. The total program cost for this period is \$105,401. Program costs include staff salary, benefits, and the cost of delivery of services provided by that employee (such as mileage, safety equipment, and the provision of housing vouchers). The employee's time is split roughly evenly between the Cities of Lynnwood and Mountlake Terrace. All program costs for this period are grant funded and paid for by the City of Lynnwood.

From January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2026, the scope of the contract includes a 0.5 FTE social worker (employed and supervised by the County) to be located solely in the City of Lynnwood. Authorized program costs for 2025 total \$219,830.50. These costs are also grant-funded and will be paid for by the City of Lynnwood. A contract amendment prepared by Snohomish County will outline costs for 2026 once those are known.

A separate contract is expected to come before Council to authorize the remaining 0.5 FTE for the social worker when they are operating out of Mountlake Terrace from January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2026. That contract scope will include approximately \$42,330 in additional 2025 program year expenses to be paid by the City of Mountlake Terrace.

Duration: August 1, 2024, through December 31, 2026

Fiscal Impact:

☐ Current Year ☒ Multi-Year ☐ N/A

Expenditures	Current Year	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
Fund 124	\$325,231.50					\$325,231.50
Totals	\$325,231.50	0	0	0	0	\$325,231.50

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Revenue	Current Year	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
Fund 124	\$325,231.50					\$325,231.50
Totals	\$325,231.50	0	0	0	0	\$325,231.50

*Tables above reflect expenses for 2024 and 2025. The contract will be amended to include costs for 2026.

Authority Granted: Authorizes County Executive to execute the contract and any future contract amendments.

Background: On December 18, 2024, Council passed Ordinance 24-098¹ approving a short-term Interlocal Agreement authorizing employment of 1.0 FTE for the SCOUT program in Lynnwood and Mountlake Terrace. That agreement expired on December 31, 2024, and was not fully executed before expiry. Proposed Motion 25-225 approves an Interlocal replacing this agreement and extends the agreement through 2026.

Requested Action: Consider taking action on Motion 25-225.

¹ [Snohomish County Council - File #: 2024-2739](#)