



# Snohomish County Council

## General Legislative Session

### Meeting Minutes

Megan Dunn, Council Chair  
Jared Mead, Council Vice-Chair  
Councilmembers: Sam Low, Nate Nehring, Strom Peterson

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**Wednesday, November 30, 2022**

**9:00 AM**

**Jackson Board Room  
& Remote Meeting**

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#### **PRESENT:**

Council Chair Dunn  
Council Vice-Chair Mead (*remote*)  
Councilmember Low (*remote*)  
Councilmember Nehring  
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)  
Heidi Beazizo, Interim Council Chief of Staff  
Jim Martin, Council Staff  
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff  
Lacey Harper, Executive Director  
Stephanie Wright, Executive Policy Officer  
Josh Weiss, Gordon Thomas Honeywell  
Annika Vaughn, Gordon Thomas Honeywell  
Elena Lao, Asst. Clerk of the Council

*\*See name listed below of individuals providing testimony (Public Meetings/Hearings).*

#### **A. Call to Order**

Council Chair Dunn called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. and provided instructions for those wishing to provide public comment in person and remote via Zoom.

#### **B. Roll Call**

The clerk called the roll and stated that all five members were present.

#### **C. Pledge of Allegiance - Councilmember Nehring**

Councilmember Nehring led the assembly with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**D. Public Comments**

There were no persons present wishing to provide public comment.

**E. Committee of the Whole****F. Resolutions****G. Consent Agenda****H. Administrative Matters****I. Action on Items from Committee**

1. Finance and Economic Development
2. Law and Justice/Human Services
3. Conservation, Sustainability and Recreation
4. Planning and Community Development
5. Public Works and Infrastructure
6. Committee of the Whole

- a. Motion 22-514, authorizing the Chair of the Council to sign [2022-1235](#) certification of 2023 tax levy estimates

Jim Martin, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report explaining the certification requirement for the 2023 tax levy estimates.

**ACTION:** Council Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Motion 22-514. Councilmember Nehring seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**J. Other Business**

1. State Legislative Update - Gordon Thomas Honeywell [2022-1232](#)

Lacey Harper, Executive Director, along with Stephanie Wright, Executive Policy Officer, and Josh Weiss and Annika Vaughn, Gordon Thomas Honeywell, presented the 2023 Draft Legislative Agenda to be discussed at the upcoming Legislative Lunch - Special Meeting on December 5, 2022.

Discussion followed as staff responded to questions relating to the proposed legislative agenda.

Councilmembers expressed concerns regarding proposals to deal with behavioral health, public safety, and housing impacts resulting in the State v. Blake court ruling. Councilmembers also noted concerns regarding the budget requests and the use of public funds for the proposed Everett Multi-Use Sports Complex.

Councilmember Peterson left the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

## **K. Public Meetings/Hearings**

1. Amended Motion 22-469, appointing Kimberly Busted to the Snohomish County Planning Commission [2022-1153](#)

Council Chair Dunn opened the hearing and the clerk read the motion title into the record.

Ryan Countryman, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided background information on the nominee and explained the request to amend the enacting paragraph of the motion to reflect that the appointment of Ms. Busted is for a first full term.

Council Chair Dunn opened the hearing for public testimony and the following individual testified:

1. Leih Mulvihill, resident of Black Diamond, testified in support of the nomination.

Council Chair Dunn closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

**ACTION:** Council Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Motion 22-469. Councilmember Nehring seconded the motion.

Council Chair Dunn made a motion to amend the last paragraph of the motion to reflect the appointment to serve a first full term. Councilmember Nehring seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by the four members present.

The vote was called and the motion to approve Motion 22-469, as amended, carried unanimously by the four members present.

**L. Executive Session**

Heidi Beazizo, Interim Council Chief of Staff, stated that the Council will convene into Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to discuss personnel matters for an initial ten minutes. She indicated that potential action may follow and any necessary extensions would be announced.

At 9:46 a.m., Council Chair Dunn recessed the Council into Executive Session.

1. Personnel Matters  
Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)  
DPA: R. Guadamud

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Dunn  
Council Vice-Chair Mead (*remote*)  
Councilmember Low (*remote*)  
Councilmember Nehring  
Councilmember Peterson (*remote*)  
Rebecca Guadamud, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

The Executive Session started at 9:46 a.m. with an initial ten minutes to 9:56 a.m.

At 9:56 a.m., an extension was announced for five minutes to 10:01 a.m.

At 10:01 a.m., an extension was announced for five minutes to 10:06 a.m.

The Executive Session ended at 10:05 a.m.

*(There was no Council action as a result of the Executive Session.)*

**M. Adjourn**

At 10:06 a.m., Council Chair Dunn reconvened the meeting and recessed the Council until the 10:30 a.m. Public Hearing.