1 Adopted: 2 Effective: 3 SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL 4 SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON 5 6 ORDINANCE NO. 25-084 7 8 RELATING TO GROWTH MANAGEMENT; REVISING MINIMUM PARKING REGULATIONS; AMENDING 9 CHAPTERS 30.23A AND 30.26 OF THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY CODE 10 WHEREAS, Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 36.70A.130 directs counties planning under the 11 12 Growth Management Act (GMA) to consider amendments and revisions to the GMA Comprehensive 13 Plan (GMACP) or development regulations on a regular basis; and 14 15 WHEREAS, RCW 36.70A.622, as enacted through Substitute Senate Bill 6015 (2024), updates the 16 minimum residential parking requirements for jurisdictions planning under the GMA; and 17 18 WHEREAS, to be consistent with the new minimum residential parking standards in RCW 19 36.70A.622, the county must update the bulk regulations in chapter 30.23A and the parking regulations 20 in chapter 30.26 of the Snohomish County Code (SCC); and 21 22 WHEREAS, Objective HO 3.A of the GMACP directs the county to encourage land use practices, 23 development standards, and building permit requirements that reduce housing production costs; and 24 25 WHEREAS, reducing the number of parking spaces for cottage housing and multifamily housing 26 developments allows for increasing housing density and reducing the costs associated with building 27 more parking spaces; and 28 29 WHEREAS, HO Policy 3.A.2 of the GMACP requires that development standards and building 30 permit requirements shall be reviewed on a continual basis to ensure clarity and consistency while 31 providing for a timely, fair, and predictable application processing outcome; and 32 33 WHEREAS, the amendments to chapter 30.26 SCC in this ordinance streamline the application of 34 the required parking standards so they are simplified and easier to understand; and 35 36 WHEREAS, on August 26, 2025, the Snohomish County Planning Commission ("Planning 37 Commission") was briefed by Snohomish County Planning and Development Services (PDS) staff about 38 the code amendments contained in this ordinance; and 39 40 WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on September 23, 2025, to receive 41 public testimony concerning the code amendments contained in this ordinance; and 42 43 WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the Planning Commission's public hearing, the Planning 44 Commission deliberated on the proposed amendments and voted to recommend approval of the 45 amendments contained in this ordinance, as shown in its recommendation letter dated September 25, 46 2025; and ORDINANCE NO. 25-084 RELATING TO GROWTH MANAGEMENT; REVISING MINIMUM PARKING REGULATIONS; AMENDING CHAPTERS 30.23A AND 30.26 OF THE

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The code amendments streamline the minimum parking requirements into simplified tables and figures. These amendments also allow for higher residential densities by reducing the number of required parking spaces for some types of dwellings. Reducing the number of parking spaces required supports the policy of streamlining residential development standards for building more housing and increased reliance on public transit use.

F. The amendments will better achieve, comply with, and implement the goals and policies contained within the Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs), including:

DP-16: Jurisdictions should encourage the use of innovative development standards, design guidelines, regulatory incentives, and applicable low impact development measures to provide compact, high-quality communities.

The amendments reduce the parking required for different housing types, which allows the development of more compact communities. With less surface area dedicated to creating parking stalls, it also allows for more housing development in zones intended for higher densities.

G. The amendments will better achieve, comply with, and implement the goals, objectives, and policies of the GMACP, including:

Objective HO 3.A Encourage land use practices, development standards, and building permit requirements that reduce housing production costs.

HO Policy 3.A.2: Development standards and building permit requirements shall be reviewed on a continual basis to ensure clarity and consistency while providing for a timely, fair, and predictable application processing outcome.

LU Policy 2.A.5: The county shall encourage urban residential infill and redevelopment in underutilized lands, centers, and other appropriate areas within UGAs.

The code amendments reduce the parking requirements for residential development, which reduces housing production costs. This change also supports infill development in UGAs. Additionally, the code amendments streamline the minimum parking requirements into simplified tables and figures, which increases the clarity of the code.

H. Procedural requirements.

1. Under Snohomish County Code, this ordinance is a Type 3 legislative action pursuant to SCC 30.73.010 and 30.73.020.

3. 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 August 12, 2025.

4. The public participation process used in the adoption of this ordinance complies with all applicable requirements of the GMA and the SCC including but not limited to RCW 36.70A.035, RCW 36.70A.140, and chapter 30.73 SCC.

5. The Washington State Attorney General last issued an advisory memorandum, as required by RCW 36.70A.370, in October of 2024 entitled "Advisory Memorandum and Recommended Process for Evaluating Proposed Regulatory or Administrative Actions to Avoid 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 2024 advisory memorandum was used by Snohomish County in objectively evaluating the regulatory changes proposed by this ordinance.

I. This ordinance is consistent with the record:

1. This ordinance amends SCC 30.26.025 Tandem parking standards to allow parking spaces in tandem to meet minimum parking requirements at the rate of one space for every 20 linear feet. SCC 30.23A.060 Multifamily design is also amended with standards for tandem parking spaces in front of townhouse units. SCC 30.26.032 is amended for consistency with the tandem parking standards. These changes align with RCW 36.70A.622.

 This ordinance amends SCC 30.26.065 Parking lot development standards with a new simplified table for minimum parking stall dimensions and parking configurations. It also amends SCC 30.26.070 Parking lot surfacing requirements to allow parking spaces with grass block pavers to count toward residential minimum parking requirements. These changes align with RCW 36.70A.622.

3. This ordinance amends SCC 30.26.010 Applicability to make definitions for dwelling units and residential uses consistent across several sections in chapter 30.26 SCC.

4. This ordinance amends SCC 30.26.030 Number of spaces required to reduce the minimum parking spaces for residential uses such as multifamily, and cottage housing, from 2 spaces to 1 space and removes guest parking requirements from single family detached units and cottage housing. These changes allow for higher density development by reducing the space required to be dedicated to parking and support compact development within the UGAs.

J. The code amendments are consistent with the record as set forth in the PDS Staff Report dated August 26, 2025.

K. The amendments have been evaluated for their potential to create barriers to the implementation of

(a) Multifamily development shall have pedestrian facilities pursuant to SCC 30.24.080.

cohesive manner incorporating at least one of the following:

(b) When a site has more than one multifamily building, the buildings shall be arranged in a

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45 46 (4) Buildings shall be oriented pursuant to SCC 30.23A.070.

(5) Architectural design elements.

- (a) When a multifamily building has shared entryways, the building entrances shall incorporate a canopy, awning or other architectural element that provides pedestrians protection from the weather.
- (b) Each multifamily building shall incorporate variation to any facade of a building that faces a public or private right-of-way by incorporating at least three of the following elements:
 - (i) Incorporate changes in the roofline at intervals not greater than 40 continuous feet in length, such as variations in roof pitch, dormers, overhangs, projections and extended eaves;
 - (ii) Provide distinctive window patterns that are not repeated within groupings of up to six dwelling units;
 - (iii) Include balconies, bay windows, cornices, covered porches or other changes in the facade of the building;
 - (iv) Set back balconies and other architectural elements on the upper floors of multi-story buildings;
 - (v) Incorporate diminishing upper floors (gross floor area of upper story is smaller than the gross floor area of the lower story);
 - (vi) Provide variations in the setback of the building from the front lot line by at least five feet at horizontal intervals of 40 feet or less: or
 - (vii) Provide other architectural elements that the director determines accomplish the objective of visually dividing the structure into smaller identifiable sections.
- (c) The architectural elements in this section shall be implemented pursuant to the Snohomish County Residential Design Manual.

Section 5. Snohomish County Code Section 30.26.010, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 16-013 on March 8, 2017, is amended to read:

30.26.010 Applicability.

- (1) Every new use and every building erected, moved, reconstructed, expanded, or structurally altered shall provide parking areas as provided in this chapter.
- (((2) Parking area shall be permanent and shall be permanently maintained for parking purposes.))

(((3))) (2) This chapter applies to ((any lot)) lots that have uses that require parking or any parcel of land used as a public or private parking area and having a capacity of three or more vehicles, including any vehicle sales area. ((This chapter shall not apply to permit applications for individual single family or duplex residences.)) $((\frac{4}{4}))$ (3) Temporary on-site and off-site construction-related parking is exempt from this chapter. Section 6. Snohomish County Code Section 30.26.025, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 17-062 on October 18, 2017, is amended to read:

30.26.025 Tandem parking.

((Tandem or stacked parking spaces)) For purposes of this chapter, "tandem parking" means parking spaces for two or more vehicles, one in front of the other(s) with a single means of ingress and egress. Tandem parking may be allowed for residential and commercial uses as follows:

(1) ((Each tandem space shall be at least eight and one half feet wide and twice the depth required for a standard space;)) Tandem parking spaces may count towards meeting the minimum residential or commercial parking requirements in SCC Table 30.26.030(1) at a rate of one standard space according to SCC Table 30.26.065(18) – Off-Street Parking – Minimum Stall Dimensions, and any necessary provisions for turning radius;

(((2) A maximum of 30 percent of the required parking may be provided through tandem spaces, except that for townhouse and mixed townhouse development a maximum of 100 percent of the required parking for those residing in the development may be provided through tandem spaces when located within individual unit garages.))

(((3))) (2) For residential uses, tandem parking spaces may be used to meet up to 100 percent of the minimum parking requirements, provided that any use of tandem parking ((may only be used when it can be documented that parking)) spaces ((will)) shall be assigned to specific units and ((tandem spaces will)) may not be shared between units ((; and)). Multifamily developments are not required to assign tandem parking spaces to specific units; and

 (((4))) (3) For commercial uses, a maximum of 30 percent of the required parking may be provided through tandem parking spaces. Commercial uses with no retail or customer service components may use tandem parking only when it can be documented that the proposed parking will be managed to accommodate employee access to vehicles and vehicle ingress and egress at all times.

Section 7. Snohomish County Code Section 30.26.030 last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 25-033 on August 13, 2025, is amended to read:

30.26.030 Number of spaces required.

(1) The required number of off-street parking spaces shall be as set forth in SCC Table 30.26.030(1) subject to provisions, where applicable, regarding:

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- (a) Effective alternatives to automobile access (SCC 30.26.040);
- (b) Joint uses (SCC 30.26.050 and 30.26.055); and
- (c) Accessible routes of travel (SCC 30.26.065(7)).
- (2) The abbreviations in the table have the following meanings:
 - (a) "GFA" means gross floor area;
 - (b) "GLA" means gross leasable area; and
 - (c) "SF" means square feet.
- (3) Any off-street parking spaces that are devoted to electric vehicle charging shall be counted toward the minimum number of parking spaces required.
- (4) For off-street parking requirements in the Urban Center (UC) zone, see SCC 30.26.032.

Table 30.26.030(1) Number of Parking Spaces Required

USE	Number of Spaces Required in R-9,600, R-8,400, R-7,200, WFB, T, MR, LDMR, GC, CB, NB, PCB, MUC, MHP, HI, LI, BP, and IP	Number of Spaces Required in RD, RRT-10, R-5, RB, CRC, RFS, RI, F, F&R, A-10, SA-1, RC, RU, R-20,000, R-12,500	NOTES
Accessory Dwelling Unit	No parking required	1 per unit	
Adult Entertainment Business/Use	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Agriculture	No parking required	No parking required	
Airport			
Air Terminal	10 per 1,000 SF of waiting area	10 per 1,000 SF of waiting area	
Stage 1 Utility	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
All Others	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Amusement Facility, by type			

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Tennis courts, racquet or handball clubs, and similar commercial recreation	10 per 1,000 SF assembly area plus 2 per court	15 per 1,000 SF assembly area plus 2 per court	
Theaters and cinemas	1 per 3 seats or 8 feet of bench	1 per 4 seats or 8 feet of bench	
All other places without fixed seats including dance halls and skating rinks	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Antique Shop	3 per 1,000 GFA	4 per 1,000 GFA	
Art Gallery 41	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	
Asphalt Batch Plant & Continuous Mix Asphalt Plant	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Auto Repair, Major	5 per 1,000 GFA	5 per 1,000 GFA	Service bays and work areas inside repair facilities do not count as parking spaces.
Auto Repair, Minor	4 per 1,000 GFA	5 per 1,000 GFA	Service bays and work areas inside repair facilities do not count as parking spaces.
Auto Towing	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	

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Auto Wrecking and Junkyard	15 spaces for yards less than 10 acres in size; 25 spaces for yards 10 acres or larger	15 spaces for yards less than 10 acres in size; 25 spaces for yards 10 acres or larger	
Bakery, Farm	2 spaces	2 spaces	
Bed and Breakfast Guesthouses and Inns	2 plus 1 per guest room	2 plus 1 per guest room	
Boarding House	1 per guest room	1 per guest room	
Boat Launch, Commercial	See SCC 30.22.130(31)	See SCC 30.22.130(31)	
Boat Launch, Non- commercial	See SCC 30.22.130(31)	See SCC 30.22.130(31)	
Caretaker's Quarters	2 per unit	2 per unit	
Cemetery and Funeral Home	1 per 4 seats or 8 feet of bench, or 25 per 1,000 sf of assembly room with no fixed seats	1 per 4 seats or 8 feet of bench, or 25 per 1,000 sf of assembly room with no fixed seats	
Church	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Clubhouse	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Commercial Vehicle Home Basing	See SCC 30.22.130(33)	See SCC 30.22.130(33)	
Commercial Vehicle Storage Facility	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Community Facilities for Juveniles	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Construction Contracting	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	

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Dams, Power Plants, & Associated Uses	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Day Care Center	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	An off- street load and unload area is also required. This area shall provide the greater of two spaces or one space for every 2,000 square feet of day care center with fractional spaces rounded up.
Distillation of Alcohol	2 per 1,000 GFA	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	May also be determined by the department on a case-by-case basis per SCC 30.26.035 when the employee to SF GFA ratio for the proposed use is less than the typical requirement for this use in this zone.

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Dock & Boathouse, Private, Non- Commercial	No Parking Requirement	No Parking Requirement	
Co-Living	.25 per sleeping unit	.25 per sleeping unit	Off-street parking is not required if a co- living dwelling is located within 0.5-mile walking distance from a light rail stop, bus rapid transit stop, or bus stop that provides service at 15- minute intervals for at least five hours a day on weekdays.
Cottage Housing	((2 spaces)) 1 space per dwelling unit ((plus guest parking at 1 space per 4 dwellings))	((2 spaces)) <u>1 space</u> per dwelling unit ((plus guest parking at 1 space per 4 dwellings))	Note 1: Driveways between garage doors and

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Attached Single Family	2 per dwelling; see note 1	2 per dwelling; see note 1	((roads, private roads, designated fire lanes or access aisles that are at least 19' long and 8.5' wide)) road network elements that meet the minimum parking width and length for standard residential
Duplex	2 per dwelling; see note 1	2 per dwelling; see note 1	parking in Table 30.26.065 (19) may be counted
Mobile Home	2 per dwelling; see note 1	2 per dwelling; see note 1	((as one)) <u>toward</u> <u>the minimum</u> parking ((space,
Multifamily	((2)) <u>1</u> per dwelling; see note 1	((2)) <u>1</u> per dwelling; see note 1	and if at least 19' long and 17' wide may be counted
Single Family	2 per dwelling; see note 1	2 per dwelling; see note 1	as two parking spaces. Garages shall have a minimum interior length of 19')) requirements.
Townhouse	2 per dwelling; see note 1	2 per dwelling; see note 1	((Note 2))

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Single Family Detached Units (pursuant to chapter 30.41F SCC)	2 spaces per dwelling unit ((plus guest parking at 1 space per 4 dwellings provided that 1 unrestricted guest parking spot per 2 dwellings for either (i) dwellings where no driveways are provided or (ii) dwellings that provide a driveway apron meeting the minimum dimension requirements for parking of only 1 car; see notes 1 & 2.))	2 spaces per dwelling unit ((plus guest parking at 1 space per 4 dwellings provided that 1 unrestricted guest parking spot per 2 dwellings for either (i) dwellings where no driveways are provided or (ii) dwellings that provide a driveway apron meeting the minimum dimension requirements for parking of only 1 car; see notes 1 & 2.))	"unrestricted" guest parking spot is one provided either within the drive aisle parking or designated guest parking areas outside of individual units; garage parking spaces or parking spaces on driveway aprons of an individual unit are not "unrestricted" parking spaces. All applicable provisions of chapter 30.26 SCC shall be followed.))
Electric Vehicle Infrastructure			
Electric Vehicle Charging Station – Levels 1 to 3	No requirement	No requirement	Note: service bays and work areas inside repair facilities do not count
Battery Exchange Stations	4 per 1,000 GFA	5 per 1,000 GFA	as parking spaces.

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Equestrian Center	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	One space accommodating a vehicle and horse trailer for every two horses expected at equestrian or miniequestrian center events.
Excavation & Processing of Minerals	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Explosives, Storage	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Fairgrounds	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Family Day Care Home	See dwelling, single family requirements	See dwelling, single family requirements	An off- street load and unload area equivalent to one space is also required.
Farm Product Processing	1 per 1,000 GFA	1 per 1,000 GFA	
Farm Stand			
Up to 400 SF	2 per stand	2 per stand	
401 to 5,000 SF	3 per 1,000 GFA (3 minimum)	3 per 1,000 GFA (3 minimum)	
Farm Support Business	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Farm Worker Dwelling	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	

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Farmers Market	3 per 1,000 GFA (3 minimum)	3 per 1,000 GFA (3 minimum)	
Farmland Enterprises	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Fish Farm	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Forestry	No Parking Required	No Parking Required	
Forestry Industry Storage & Maintenanc e Facility	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Foster Home	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Fuel Yard	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Garage, Detached Private	No Parking Required	No Parking Required	
Golf Course, Driving Range, Country Club	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Government Structure s & Facilities	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Greenhouse, Lath House, & Nurseries	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Guest House	1 per guest house	1 per guest house	
Hazardous Waste Storage & Treatment Facilities, Offsite or Onsite	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Health and Social Service Facilities, Levels I through III	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Home Occupation	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	

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Homestead Parcel	See dwelling, single family requirements	See dwelling, single family requirements	
Hotel/Motel	1 per unit or guest room; see note	1 per unit or guest room; see note	Additional parking for restaurants, conference or convention facilities and other businesses, facilities, or uses associated with the motel or hot el is required in accordance with this table.
Kennel, Commercial	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Kennel, Private- Breeding	No Additional Requirement	No Additional Requirement	
Kennel, Private-Non- Breeding	No Additional Requirement	No Additional Requirement	
Kitchen Farm	No Additional Requirement	No Additional Requirement	
Laboratory	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	3 per 1,000 GFA	Or see SCC 30.26.035
Library	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	3 per 1,000 GFA	
Livestock Auction Facility	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Lumber Mill	2 per 1,000 GFA	2 per 1,000 GFA	
Lumberyard	1 per 1,000 GLA	1 per 1,000 GLA	

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Manufacturing, Heavy	2 per 1,000 GFA	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	May also be determined by the department on a case-by-case basis per SCC 30.26.035 when the employee to SF GFA ratio for the proposed use is less than the typical requirement for this use in this zone.
Manufacturing-All Other Forms Not Specifically Listed	2 per 1,000 GFA	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	May also be determined by the department on a case-by-case basis per SCC 30.26.035 w hen the employee to SF GFA ratio for the proposed use is less than the typical requirement for this use in this zone.

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Marijuana Processing	2 per 1,000 GFA	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	May also be determined by the department on a case-by-case basis per SCC 30.26.035 w hen the employee to SF GFA ratio for the proposed use is less than the typical requirement for this use in this zone.
Marijuana Production	2 per 1,000 GFA	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	May also be determined by the department on a case-by-case basis per SCC 30.26.035 w hen the employee to SF GFA ratio for the proposed use is less than the typical requirement for this use in this zone.
Marijuana Retail	3 per 1,000 GFA	4 per 1,000 GFA	
Massage Parlor	3 per 1,000 GFA	4 per 1,000 GFA	

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Material Recovery Facility	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Mini Equestrian Center	1 per 4 seats or 8 feet of bench; see note	1 per 4 seats or 8 feet of bench; see note	One space accommodating a vehicle and horse trailer for every two horses expected at equestrian or mini- equestrian center events.
Mini Self-Storage	2 per 75 storage units	2 per 75 storage units	
Mobile Home Parks	2 per dwelling plus guest parking at 1 per 4 dwellings	2 per dwelling plus guest parking at 1 per 4 dwellings	See Chapter 30.42ES CC.
Model Hobby Park	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035
Model House/Sales Office	See residential dwelling require ments	See residential dwelling requi rements	
Motocross Racetrack	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Museum	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	3 per 1,000 GFA	
Neighborhood Services	3 per 1,000 GLA	4 per 1,000 GLA	

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Office and Banking	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	3 per 1,000 GFA	A minimum of 5 spaces is required for all sites. Drive-up windows at financial institutions must have clear queuing space, not interfering with parking areas, for at least three vehicles per drive up window.
Off-road vehicle use area, private	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Park, Public	See Parks and Recreation Element of the Comprehensive Plan	See Parks and Recreation Element of the Comprehensive Plan	Parking standards for parks vary based on the classification of the park and amenities identified in the Parks and Recreation Element.
Park-and-Pool Lot	No Additional Requirement	No Additional Requirement	
Park-and-Ride Lot	No Additional Requirement	No Additional Requirement	

USE	Number of Spaces Required in R-9,600, R-8,400, R-7,200, WFB, T, MR, LDMR, GC, CB, NB, PCB, MUC, MHP, HI, LI, BP, and IP	Number of Spaces Required in RD, RRT-10, R-5, RB, CRC, RFS, RI, F, F&R, A-10, SA-1, RC, RU, R-20,000, R-12,500	NOTES
Personal Wireless Service Facilities	1 space	1 space	
Printing Plant	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	3 per 1,000 GFA	
Public Events/Assemblies on Farmland	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Race Track	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Recreational Facility Not Otherwise Listed	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Recreational Vehicle	1 per RV	1 per RV	
Recreational Vehicle Park	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Recycling Facility	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Rendering of Fat, Tallow, or Lard	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Resort	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Restaurant	6 per 1,000 GFA	8 per 1,000 GFA	Clear queuing space, not interfering with the parking areas, for at least five vehicles is required in front of any drive up window.
Retail, General	3 per 1,000 GFA	4 per 1,000 GFA	

USE	Number of Spaces Required in R-9,600, R-8,400, R-7,200, WFB, T, MR, LDMR, GC, CB, NB, PCB, MUC, MHP, HI, LI, BP, and IP	Number of Spaces Required in RD, RRT-10, R-5, RB, CRC, RFS, RI, F, F&R, A-10, SA-1, RC, RU, R-20,000, R-12,500	NOTES
Retirement Apartments	1 per dwelling plus guest parking at 1 per 4 dwellings	1 per dwelling plus guest parking at 1 per 4 dwellings	See SCC 30.26.040(1)
Retirement Housing	1 per dwelling	1 per dwelling plus guest parking at 1 per 4 dwellings	See SCC 30.26.040(2)
Rural Industries	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Sanitary Landfill	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Schools	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035;
K-12 & Preschool College			Sufficient on- site space for
Other			safe loading and unloading of students from school buses and cars is also required.
Service Station	3 per 1,000 GFA	4 per 1,000 GFA	
Shooting Range	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Sludge Utilization	No parking required	No parking required	
Small Animal Husbandry	No parking required	No parking required	

USE	Number of Spaces Required in R-9,600, R-8,400, R-7,200, WFB, T, MR, LDMR, GC, CB, NB, PCB, MUC, MHP, HI, LI, BP, and IP	Number of Spaces Required in RD, RRT-10, R-5, RB, CRC, RFS, RI, F, F&R, A-10, SA-1, RC, RU, R-20,000, R-12,500	NOTES
Small Workshop	2 per 1,000 GFA	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	May also be determined by the department on a case-by-case basis per SCC 30.26.035 when the employee to SF GFA ratio is less than the normal minimum requirement for the zone.
Stables	1 per 4 seats or 8 feet of bench; see note	1 per 4 seats or 8 feet of bench; see note	One space accommodating a vehicle and horse trailer for every two horses expected at equestrian or miniequestrian center events.
Stockyard or Slaughte r House	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Storage, Retail Sales Livestock Feed	1 per 1,000 GFA	1 per 1,000 GFA	
Storage Structure, Accessory	No parking required	No parking required	
Storage Structure, Non-accessory	No parking required	No parking required	
Studio	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	3 per 1,000 GFA	

USE	Number of Spaces Required in R-9,600, R-8,400, R-7,200, WFB, T, MR, LDMR, GC, CB, NB, PCB, MUC, MHP, HI, LI, BP, and IP	Number of Spaces Required in RD, RRT-10, R-5, RB, CRC, RFS, RI, F, F&R, A-10, SA-1, RC, RU, R-20,000, R-12,500	NOTES
Swimming/Wading Pool			
Public	1 per 10 swimmers, based on pool capacity as defined by the Washington State Department of Health.	1 per 10 swimmers, based on pool capacity as defined by the Washington State Department of Health.	
Private	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Television/Radio Stations	2.5 per 1,000 GFA	3 per 1,000 GFA	
Temporary Dwelling During Construction	1 per dwelling	1 per dwelling	
Temporary Dwelling for Relative	1 per dwelling	1 per dwelling	
Temporary Logging Crew Quarters	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Temporary Residential Sales Coach ⁷³	1 per coach	1 per coach	
Transit Center	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Ultralight Airpark	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Utility Facilities, Electromagnetic Transmission & Receiving Facility	1 space	1 space	
Utility Facilities, Transmission Wires, Pipes & Supports	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	

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USE	Number of Spaces Required in R-9,600, R-8,400, R-7,200, WFB, T, MR, LDMR, GC, CB, NB, PCB, MUC, MHP, HI, LI, BP, and IP	Number of Spaces Required in RD, RRT-10, R-5, RB, CRC, RFS, RI, F, F&R, A-10, SA-1, RC, RU, R-20,000, R-12,500	NOTES
Utility Facilities-All Other Structures	1 space	1 space	
Vehicle and Equipment Sales and Rental	1 per 1,000 GFA of sales office, plus	1 per 1,000 GFA of sales office, plus	
	2 per 1,000 GFA of service or repair space, plus	2 per 1,000 GFA of service or repair space, plus	
	1 per 4,000 SF of outdoor display area (or of showroom display area in the CB zone)	1 per 4,000 SF of outdoor display area (or of showroom display area in the CRC zone)	
Veterinary Clinic	3 per 1,000 GFA	4 per 1,000 GFA	
Warehousing	0.5 per 1,000 GFA	0.5 per 1,000 GFA	
Wedding Facility	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	
Wholesale Establishment	1 per 1,000 GFA	1 per 1,000 GFA	
Woodwaste Recycling and Woodw aste Storage	1 per site plus 1 per 1,000 GFA	1 per site plus 1 per 1,000 GFA	
All other uses not otherwise mentioned	See SCC 30.26.035	See SCC 30.26.035	

Section 8. Snohomish County Code Section 30.26.032, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 16-013 on March 8, 2017, is amended to read:

30.26.032 Additional parking requirements for the UC zone

In addition to the parking requirements contained in this chapter, developments in the UC zone shall also comply with the following:

(1) Development in the UC zone shall comply with the parking ratios established in SCC Table 30.26.032(1).

Table 30.26.032(1) Parking Ratios

Use	Minimum Maximum		Bicycle Parking
Restaurants	2 stalls/1,000 net square feet	8 stalls/1,000 net square feet	5 spaces minimum
Retail	2 stalls/1,000 net square feet	4 stalls/1,000 net square feet	5 spaces minimum
Office	2 stalls/1,000 net square feet	4 stalls/1,000 net square feet	5 spaces minimum
Residential (units >1,000 sq. ft. each)	1.5 stalls per unit	2.5 stalls per unit	5 spaces minimum
Residential (units <(1,000 sq. ft. each)	1 stall per unit	1.5 stalls per unit	5 spaces minimum
Retirement apartments or retirement housing	0.5 stall per unit	1 stall per unit	5 spaces minimum
All other uses	See SCC 30.26.035	5 spaces minimum	

- (2) Parking shall be located within, under, behind, or to the side of buildings, except that townhouse and mixed townhouse developments may allow parking in front.
- (3) Parking lots shall be landscaped pursuant to SCC 30.25.022.
- (4) The number of parking garage entrances shall be minimized. Where feasible, entrances shall be located to the side or rear of buildings. Lighting fixtures within garages shall be screened from view from the street. Exterior architectural treatments for parking garages and structures and free-standing garage buildings shall satisfy the requirements of SCC 30.34A.095.
- (5) A reduction from the parking space requirements in SCC Table 30.26.032(1) may be approved pursuant to SCC 30.26.040.

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Section 9. Snohomish County Code Section 30.26.065, last amended by Amended Ordinance No. 10-102 on January 19, 2011, is amended to read:

30.26.065 Parking lot development standards.

(1) No building permit shall be issued until plans or other documentation showing provisions for the required off-street parking have been submitted and approved as conforming to the standards of this chapter. Parking areas shall be permanently maintained for parking purposes.

(2) Interior site access lanes shall be designed to provide continuous, unrestricted vehicular movement and shall connect to public streets or private roads ((which)) that provide legal access to the site.

(3) Access lanes and emergency vehicle lanes shall not be less than 20 feet in width, and emergency access shall be provided pursuant to the provisions of chapter 30.53A SCC.

(4) Parking in emergency vehicle lanes shall be prohibited, and indicated as being unlawful by signs and/or painting on the lane/parking lot surface.

(5) Emergency access shall be provided to within 50 feet of any multifamily building.

(6) Parking lot area (square footage) devoted to accessible routes of travel may be credited toward reducing the number of required off-street parking stalls at the ratio of one parking stall per each 160 square feet of accessible route of travel within parking areas.

(7) Accessible routes of travel may cross driveways, access lanes, and emergency vehicle lanes, but not loading spaces.

(8) If any of the requirements of this section are impractical due to the peculiarities of the site and building, other provisions for emergency access may be approved by the fire marshal.

(9) All parking stalls and aisles shall be designed according to ((SCC Table 30.26.065(14) or SCC Table 30.26.065(17), "Off-Street Parking,")) SCC Table 30.26.065(19), Off-Street Parking – Minimum Stall Dimensions, unless all parking is to be done by parking attendants on duty at all times that the parking lot is in use for the storage of automobiles.

(10) When parking standards require 10 or more parking spaces, up to 40 percent of the off-street parking spaces required by this chapter may be designed for compact cars in accordance with ((SCC Table 30.26.065(16), "Compact Car Stall and Aisle Specifications" or SCC Table 30.26.065(19), "Interlocking - Compact Cars.")) SCC Table 30.26.065(19), Off-Street Parking - Minimum Stall Dimensions. Such parking stalls shall be individually marked on the site plan and on each constructed parking stall as being for compact cars only.

43 (11) Parking at any angle other than those shown is permitted, providing the width of the stalls and 44 aisles is adjusted by interpolation between the specified standards.

46 (12) Parking shall be so designed that automobiles shall not back out into public streets.

(13) Electric Vehicle Charging.

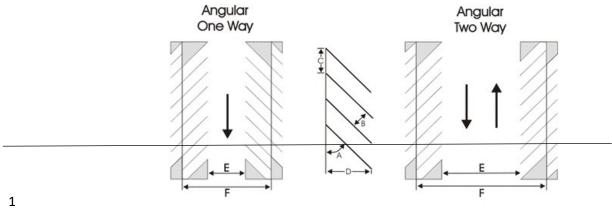
- (a) Infrastructure for the charging of electric vehicles shall not intrude into nor diminish the dimensions of the aisle or parking stall(s) it is intended to serve.
- (b) Where electric vehicle infrastructure is provided within an adjacent pedestrian circulation area, such as a sidewalk or accessible route to the building entrance, the infrastructure shall be located as to not interfere with accessibility requirements of WAC 51-50-005.
- (14) Existing nonconforming gravel surfaced parking areas may be used to provide up to six parking spaces of off-street parking required by this chapter, provided each space meets the minimum dimensions for a standard non-residential space in SCC Table 30.26.065(19), Off-Street Parking Minimum Stall Dimensions.

((Table 30.26.065(14) Off Street Parking

Conventional Car Stall and Aisle Specifications))

((Parking Layout))	((Angle))	((D i	imension	s))	((On	e way))	((Two Way))	
((See Figure 30.26.065{15}))	((Parking Angle A))	((Stall Width B))	((Curb Length C))	((Stall Depth D))	((Aisle Width E))	((Parking Section Width F))	((Aisle Width E))	((Parking Section Width F))
((Parallel: one side))	((0°))	((8′))	((21'))	((8'))	((12'))	((20'))	((22'))	((30'))
((two sides))	((0))	((8))	((21))	((8))	((22))	((38))	((24))	((40))
	((20))	((8.5))	((24.9))	((14.5))	((11))	((40))	((20))	((49))
	((30))	((8.5))	((17))	((16.9))	((11))	((44.8))	((20))	((53.8))
	((40))	((8.5))	((13.2))	((18.7))	((12))	((49.4))	((20))	((57.4)
((Angular))	((45))	((8.5))	((12))	((19.4))	((13.5))	((52.3))	((20))	((58.8))
((Angular))	((50))	((8.5))	((11.1))	((20))	((15.5))	((55.5))	((20))	((60))
	((60))	((8.5))	((9.8))	((20.7))	((18.5))	((59.9))	((22))	((63.4))
	((70))	((8.5))	((9))	((20.8))	((19.5))	((61.1))	((22))	((63.6))
	((80))	((8.5))	((8.6))	((20.2))	((24))	((64.4))	((24))	((64.4))
((Perpendicular))	((90))	((8.5))	((8.5))	((19))	((25))	((63))	((25))	((63))

 ((Figure 30.26.065(15).))



((Table 30.26.065(16) Compact Car Stall and Aisle Specifications))

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((Parking Layout))	((Angle))	((Dimensions))			((One way))		((Two Way))	
((See Figure 30.26.065(15)))	((Parking Angle A))	((Stall Width B))	Width Length		((Aisle Width E))	((Parking Section Width F))	((Aisle Width E))	((Parking Section Width F))
((Parallel))	((0°))	((8'))	((20'))	((8'))	((12'))	((28'))	((20'))	((36'))
(/Angular))	((45))	((8))	((11.3))	((15))	((12.5))	((42.5))	((20))	((50))
((Angular))	((60))	((8))	((9.2))	((16.5))	((17))	((50))	((22))	((55))
((Perpendicular))	((90))	((8))	((8))	((16))	((22))	((54))	((25))	((57))

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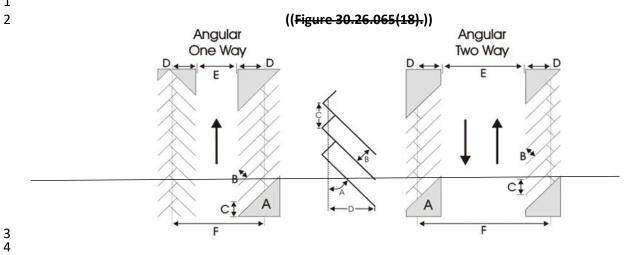
((Table 30.26.065(17) Off Street Parking

Interlocking - Conventional Cars))

((Parking Layout))	((Angle))	((((Dimensions))			way))	((Two Way))	
((See Figure 30.26.065(18)))	((Parking Angle A))	((Stall Width B))	((Curb Length C))	((Stall Depth D))	((Aisle Width E))	((Parking Section Width F))	((Aisle Width E))	((Parking Section Width F))
((Parallel))	((0°))	((8'))	((21'))	((8'))	((12/22'))	((28/38'))	((22/24'))	((38/40'))
	((20))	((8.5))	((24.9))	((10.5))	((11))	((32))	((20))	((41))
	((30))	((8.5))	((17))	((13.2))	((11))	((37.4))	((20))	((46.4))
	((4 0))	((8.5))	((13.2))	((15.5))	((12))	((43))	((20))	((51))
((Angular))	((45))	((8.5))	((12))	((16.4))	((13.5))	((46.3))	((20))	((52.8))
((Angular))	((50))	((8.5))	((11.1))	((17.3))	((13.5))	((50.1))	((20))	((54.6))
	((60))	((8.5))	((9.8))	((18.6))	((18.5))	((55.7))	((22))	((59.2))
	((70))	((8.5))	((9))	((19.3))	((19.5))	((58.1))	((22))	((60.6))
	((80))	((8.5))	((8.6))	((19.5))	((24))	((63))	((24))	((63))
((Perpendicular))	((90))	((8.5))	((8.5))	((19))	((25))	((63))	((25))	((63))

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((Table 30.26.065(19) Interlocking - Compact Cars))

((Parking Layout))	((Angle))	((Dimensions))			((One way))		((Two Way))	
((See Figure 30.26.065(18)))	((Parking Angle A))	((Stall Width B))	((Curb Length C))	((Stall Depth D))	((Aisle Width E))	((Parking Section Width F))	((Aisle Width E))	((Parking Section Width F))
((Parallel))	((0°))	((8′))	((20'))	((8'))	((12'))	((28'))	((20'))	((36′))
((Angular))	((45))	((8))	((11.3))	((14.1))	((1 2.5))	((40.7))	((20))	((48.2))
	((60))	((8))	((9.2))	((15.9))	((17))	((48.8))	((22))	((53.8))
((Perpendicular))	((90))	((8))	((8))	((16))	((22))	((54))	((25))	((57))

Figure 30.26.065(15) - Parallel Parking

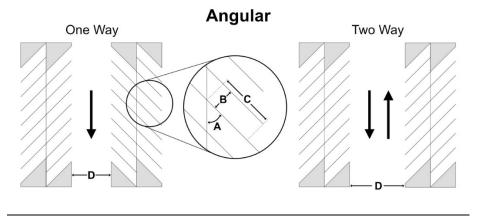


Figure 30.26.065(16) - Angular Parking

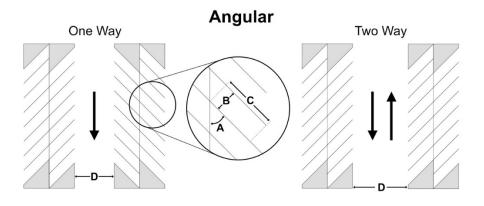


Figure 30.26.065(17) - Angular - Interlocking

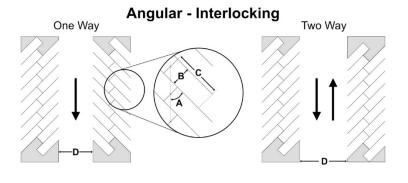
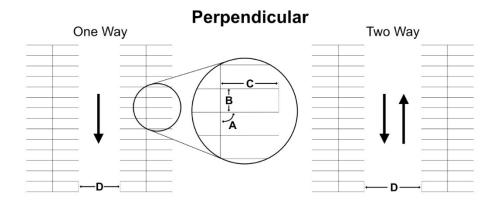


Figure 30.26.065(18) - Perpendicular Parking



<u>Table 30.26.065(19) – Off-Street Parking – Minimum Stall Dimensions</u>

Section 10. Snohomish County Code Section 30.26.070, adopted by Amended Ordinance No. 02-064 on December 9, 2002, is amended to read:

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30.26.070 Parking lot surfacing requirement.

(a) Eliminate dust and mud;

6 7 The following requirements shall be complete prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy:

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(1) All off-street parking shall be graded and surfaced to standards for ((asphaltic)) asphalt, concrete, hard pavers, grass block pavers, or other surfacing sufficient to:

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(b) Provide for proper storm drainage; and

15 16 17 (c) Allow for marking of stalls, and installation of other traffic control devices as set forth by the director of the department of public works and this chapter;

18 19 20 (2) Any required accessible parking spaces shall be linked to an accessible route of travel on site, and both shall be paved;

(3) All traffic control devices such as parking strips designating car stalls, directional arrows or signs,

curbs, and other developments shall be installed and completed as shown on the approved plans; and

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(4) Hard-surfaced parking areas shall use paint or similar devices to delineate parking stalls and directional arrows.

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