



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Planning & Community Development **Analyst:** Ryan Countryman
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Proposal: Proposed Motions 22-090, -092, -095, -096, -097, -098, and -099

Consideration

Proposed Motions 22-090, -092, -095, -096, -097, -098, and -099 all relate to the next periodic update of Snohomish County’s Growth Management Act Comprehensive Plan (GMACP), a project called the 2024 Update. The first discussion of these motions by the County Council was in Planning & Community Development Committee (PCDC) on the March 1, 2022. The committee continued discussion to March 15, in part to allow conclusion of the hearing for Docket XXI (Motion 21-147) on March 9. Several docket applications overlapped with the proposed motions.

Planning and Development Services (PDS) is the lead department for the 2024 Update. The proposed motions would refer formal requests from the County Council to PDS directing the department to study specific changes to the Future Land Use Map (FLUM), official zoning map, and policies in the General Policy Plan (GPP) during the alternatives analysis for the 2024 Update. The proposed motions are thus “referral motions” because they do not directly enact anything.

Update and Analysis

Placement of overlapping applications on the final docket for further consideration by passage of docket Motion 21-147 potentially affects three of the proposed referral motions. These are:

1. Motion 22-090 to consider expanding the Southwest County Urban Growth Area (UGA);
2. Motion 22-092 to consider expanding the Darrington UGA; and
3. Motion 22-098 to consider expanding the Maltby UGA.

Each of these three potentially affected motions has a supplemental staff report addressing specific details linked to the agenda for the March 15 PCDC meeting.

Motions 22-095 (Lake Stevens UGA), 22-096 (Tree Canopy Policies), 22-097 (Broadband Policies), and 22-099 (Monroe UGA) were unaffected by docket-related actions in Motion 21-147. The March 1 staff reports for these items have not been supplemented.