

## Finance, Budget and Administration

Jim Martin

Council Initiated:

⊠Yes □No

**ECAF:** 2025-3052 **Ordinance:** 25-054

Type:

□ Contract

☐ Board Appt.

☐ Code Amendment

 $\square$  Budget Action

⊠Other

**Requested Handling:** 

⊠Normal

☐ Expedite

□Urgent

**Fund Source:** 

☐ General Fund

Other

 $\boxtimes N/A$ 

**Executive Rec:** 

□Approve

☐ Do Not Approve

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Approved as to

Form:

⊠Yes

□No

□N/A

**Subject:** Approving a system or rates and charges proposed by the Snohomish

Conservation District pursuant to RCW 89.08.405 for natural resource conservation purposes on all non-exempt real property located within Snohomish Conservation District and Snohomish County for a ten-year

period beginning in 2026.

**Scope:** Establishing a rates and charges system for Snohomish Conservation

District. The proposed system in this ordinance would raise the rate from \$10/parcel plus \$0.10/acre, set in 2022, to \$15/parcel plus \$0.10/acre for January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028; to \$20/parcel plus \$0.10/acre for January 1, 2029 through December 31, 2031; and to \$25/parcel plus \$0.10/acre beginning January 1, 2032 through the

remainder of the ten-year period, December 31, 2035.

**<u>Duration:</u>** January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2035

**Authority Granted:** N/A

**Background:** RCW 89.08.405 authorizes the county legislative authority to consider a proposal by a conservation district for a system of rates and charges as an alternative to, but not in addition to, a special assessment. Snohomish Conservation has made such a proposal, after holding a public hearing on July 10, 2025 and public meeting on July 22, 2025.

**<u>Requested Action:</u>** Move to GLS on October 1<sup>st</sup> to set time and date for a public hearing.