



Snohomish County Council
Finance and Economic Development Committee
Meeting Minutes

Megan Dunn, Committee Chair
Nate Nehring, Committee Vice-Chair
Committee Members: Sam Low, Jared Mead, Strom Peterson

Jim Martin, Senior Legislative Analyst
Paula Rhyne, Legislative Aide
Cheri Danner, Assistant Clerk of the Council

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

10:00 AM

Jackson Board Room

PRESENT:

Committee Chair Dunn
Committee Vice-Chair Nehring (*remote*)
Committee Member Low
Committee Member Mead
Committee Member Peterson (*remote*)
Jim Martin, Council Staff
Rhea Reynolds, Human Resources Director
Cheri Danner, Asst. Clerk of the Council

CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Dunn called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and provided instructions for those wishing to provide public comment for both in-person and remote via Zoom.

ROLL CALL

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no persons present wishing to provide public comment.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Ordinance 23-003, related to County Budgets and Budget procedures; authorizing biennial Budgets; reenacting SCC 4.26.017 [2023-0076](#)

Jim Martin, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and an overview of the proposed ordinance, explaining it would authorize biennial budgeting for the 2025-2026 biennium and beyond. Committee Chair Dunn stated she and Committee Vice-Chair Nehring brought this ordinance forward and explained it would be much more efficient. Committee Vice-Chair Nehring commented and discussion ensued regarding intentions for moving forward.

ACTION: Move to Administrative Matters, General Legislative Session February 1st to set time and date for a public hearing.

2. Ordinance 23-005, relating to the Arts Commission duties, and composition; amending Chapter 2.95 Snohomish County Code [2023-0063](#)

Jim Martin, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and explained that approval of this ordinance would restructure the Commission. Mr. Martin spoke about the proposed amendment and explained that it includes changes to the section of code related to the constitution of a quorum which was inadvertently left out of the initial ordinance.

Committee Member Low spoke briefly about Tribal representation. He said he would like to work with Mr. Martin on an amendment to include tribal representation on the Arts Commission. Committee Chair Dunn responded and said there currently is not formal Tribal representation on the Planning Commission and she would support that effort and would like to formalize it on the Arts Commission. Brief discussion ensued.

ACTION: Move to Administrative Matters, General Legislative Session February 1st to set time and date for a public hearing.

3. Motion 22-558, approving award of Council project funds (Interfaith Association Northwest Washington) [2022-1281](#)

Jim Martin, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report on the proposed awards of Council project funds. He said this motion approves the award of \$100,000.00 to purchase a building Interfaith Association Northwest has occupied for more than 20 years.

ACTION: Move to Regular Agenda, General Legislative Session January 25th for consideration.

4. Motion 23-025, approving Snohomish County Tourism Promotion Area 2023 Snohomish Running Company Marketing Campaign [2023-0064](#)

Jim Martin, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and explained that this motion provides Council approval of the 2023 Regional Marketing Campaign with the Snohomish Running Company. He noted that the contract is through December 31, 2023, with a not to exceed amount of \$30,000.00 and is funded with TPA lodging funds.

ACTION: Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session February 1st for consideration.

5. Motion 23-045, authorizing approval of the Snohomish County Strategic Tourism Plan Updated with Otak, Inc. [2023-0073](#)

Jim Martin, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and said this motion provides Council approval of the 2023 Strategic Tourism Plan Update with Otak, Inc. through December 31, 2023, with a potential for one additional one-year term. He also noted the compensation is not to exceed \$114,850.00.

ACTION: Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session February 1st for consideration.

6. Motion 23-023, approval of Public Official Bond [2023-0042](#)

Jim Martin, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and explained that this motion would approve bonds for newly elected Prosecuting Attorney Jason Cummings and District Court Judge Enrico Salvatore Leo.

ACTION: Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session February 1st for consideration.

DISCUSSION ITEM

1. Compensation and Classification Study Update [2023-0079](#)
Rhea Reynolds, Human Resources Director

Rhea Reynolds, Human Resources Director, provided an update on the compensation and classification study with Segal Group and discussed a delay in completion. She responded to questions throughout the presentation.

At 10:14 a.m., Committee Chair Dunn recessed the meeting until the 11:00 a.m. Conservation, Sustainability and Recreation Committee meeting.