## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON

2025-2026 BIENNIAL BUDGET and BIENNIAL PUBLIC FORUM

Tuesday, October 22, 2024 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Snohomish County Council has introduced proposed BUDGET ORDINANCE NO. 24-083, ADOPTING THE 2025-26 BIENNIAL BUDGET AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF COUNTY AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE BIENNIUM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026, the Executive's proposed 2025-2026 Biennial Budget, and will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, October 22, 2024, at the hours of 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., and continuing thereafter as necessary, to consider the same, in the Henry M. Jackson Board Room, 8th Floor, Robert J. Drewel Building, 3000 Rockefeller, Everett, Washington, in conjunction with a remote meeting platform via the following Zoom link.

In addition, pursuant to Snohomish County Charter Section 2.70, the Snohomish County Council, in conjunction with the County Executive, will be holding the BIENNIAL PUBLIC FORUM taking public testimony and comment on the operation of any county department.

## **Zoom Webinar Information:**

Join online at <a href="https://zoom.us/j/94846850772">https://zoom.us/j/94846850772</a> or by telephone call 1-253-215-8782 or 1-206-337-9723

A summary of the ordinance is as follows:

## PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 24-083

ADOPTING THE 2025-26 BIENNIAL BUDGET AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF COUNTY AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE BIENNIUM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026

<u>Section 1</u>. **Appropriations.** County Council adopts the 2025-2025 Biennial Budget for the fiscal years beginning January 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2026.

<u>Section 2.</u> **Fire Districts.** Pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 49, § 23, Laws of Washington 1982, 1<sup>st</sup> ex. sess., considers funding for the fire districts within Snohomish County and states that this budget does not provide funds for their use.

<u>Section 3.</u> **Non-represented Employees.** Establishes the base 2025 and 2026 compensation levels and states that non-represented employees shall be treated the same as those granted to AFSCME union employees in their collective bargaining agreements covering the year 2025 and 2026.

<u>Section 4.</u> **Summary Table.** States that the 2025-26 Biennial Budget is organized by funds, departments, revenues, and expenditures.

<u>Section 5.</u> **FTE Summary Table.** Further sets out the 2025-26 Biennial Budget organized by funds, departments, and FTE'S.

<u>Section 6.</u> **FTE Table.** Sets out 2025-2026 biennium totals by department.

<u>Section 7.</u> **FTE Limitations.** Explains FTE figures contained in Section 6.

<u>Section 8.</u> Additional FTEs. States the Council may authorize certain FTE increases if it is the best interests of the County and necessary funds have been appropriated.

<u>Section 9.</u> **Project Positions.** States there are 75.50 project positions included for 2025 and 61.50 project positions for 2026, lists positions by department, position, and end date.

At the hearing, Council may consider alternatives/amendments to the proposed ordinance.

<u>Public Testimony</u>: All interested persons may testify at the time and place indicated above or by remote participation. The chair of the council may choose to limit testimony to three minutes in the interest of accommodating all persons wishing to testify. Written testimony is encouraged and may be sent to Snohomish County Council, 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, M/S 609, Everett, WA 98201; fax to 425 388-3496 or e-mail to <a href="mailto:contact.council@snoco.org">contact.council@snoco.org</a>. Submitting testimony 24 hours prior to the hearing will ensure that testimony is provided to the Council and appropriate staff in advance of the hearing.

Where to Get Copies of the Proposed Ordinance: Copies of the full ordinance and other documentation are available upon request by calling the County Council Office at (425) 388-3494, 1-(800) 562-4367x3494, TDD (425) 388-3700 or by e-mailing contact.council@snoco.org.

<u>Website Access:</u> This ordinance and other documents can be accessed through the Council websites at: <a href="https://snohomish.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx">https://snohomish.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx</a> or <a href="http://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/2134/County-Hearings-Calendar.">https://snohomishcountywa.gov/2134/County-Hearings-Calendar.</a>

<u>American Disabilities Act Notice:</u> Accommodations for persons with disabilities will be provided upon request. Please make arrangements one week prior to the hearing by calling Debbie Eco at (425) 388-3494, 1-800-562-4367 x3494, or TTY 1-800 877-8339, or e-mail debbie.eco@snoco.org.

## DATED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

<u>Jared Mead</u>

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Council

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