



Planning and Community Development

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Council Initiated:

☐ Yes

☒ No

ECAF: 2025-1699

Ordinance: 25-033

Type:

☐ Contract

☐ Board Appt.

☒ **Code Amendment**

☐ Budget Action

☐ Other

Requested Handling:

☒ **Normal**

☐ Expedite

☐ Urgent

Fund Source:

☐ General Fund

☒ **Other**

☐ N/A

Executive Rec:

☒ **Approve**

☐ Do Not Approve

☐ N/A

Approved as to

Form:

☒ **Yes**

☐ No

☐ N/A

Subject: Co-living housing code amendments

Scope: Ordinance 25-033, relates to the Growth Management; supporting the development of co-living housing; amending Chapters 30.22, 30.23, 30.26, 30.67, and 30.91 of the Snohomish County Code.

Duration: December 19, 2028.

Fiscal Impact: ☐ Current Year ☐ Multi-Year ☒ **N/A**

Authority Granted:

To adopt amendments to portions of the Snohomish County code to address recent changes in state law regarding co-living housing.

Background:

Co-living housing is a type of multi-family residential development in which individual sleeping units are independently rented, lockable and provide private living and sleeping space. The kitchen facilities are shared among residents. The Washington State Legislature passed Engrossed Substitute House Bill (ESHB) 1998, which requires cities and counties to allow co-living housing wherever multi-family residential development is permitted. The state compliance deadline is December 31, 2025. This proposed ordinance would amend Snohomish County's development regulations to bring them into alignment with state law and ensure consistency in how co-living housing is permitted.

Request: Move Ordinance 25-033 to GLS on July 9th to set a time and date for a public hearing.