

AMENDMENT NO. 3

ORDINANCE NO. 26-030

IMPOSING AN ADDITIONAL SALES AND USE TAX OF ONE-TENTH OF ONE PERCENT FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE PURPOSES; PROVIDING FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE TAX; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR NOTIFICATION AND REPORTING; AND ADOPTING A NEW CHAPTER 4.140 TO SNOHOMISH COUNTY CODE

Brief Title: Requiring a non-binding advisory vote

Proposed by: Councilmember Nehring

Description: This amendment would require the County submit to the qualified voters of Snohomish County a proposal asking whether or not the Council should enact the tax. If approved, this measure would go on the February 9, 2027, Special Election ballot and amends the collection date of the tax to begin April 1, 2027.

Existing Ordinance Title, Recitals, Findings, Conclusions or Sections to Delete or Modify:

Page 2, line 15 insert:

Section 2. Requiring a Non-Binding Advisory Vote. A non-binding advisory vote shall be taken from the qualified voters of Snohomish County on whether the Council should adopt this measure or not. Results from the non-binding advisory vote shall be discussed at a council meeting prior to adoption.

Section 3. Submittal to Voters. A nonbinding advisory ballot vote shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the county concerning the adoption of an ordinance imposing a one-tenth of one percent sales and use tax for criminal justice purposes.

Section 4. Election Authorization. At a special election hereby called by the county council to coincide with the special election to be held on February 9, 2027, an advisory vote in substantially the following form shall be submitted to the voters of Snohomish County:

SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON

NONBINDING ADVISORY PROPOSITION NO. 1

CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION OF A SALES AND USE TAX FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE PURPOSES

Should the Snohomish County Council enact an ordinance imposing a one-tenth of one percent sales and use tax for criminal justice purposes as defined in RCW 82.14.345(5)(a)?

Yes ☐

No ☐

Section 5. Auditors Duties. The auditor-supervisor of elections shall cause notice of the proposed nonbinding advisory vote to be published in accordance with the state constitution and general law and shall place the proposed nonbinding advisory vote upon the ballot of the county-wide election held on February 9, 2027.

Page 2, line 16 amend:

Section ((2))5.

Page 3, line 33 amend:

Section ((3-))6. Implementation and Effective Date. County offices and departments are authorized to take such action as may be necessary to implement this ordinance on the effective dates. This ordinance shall take effect ten days after signature by the County Executive, except Section 2 of this ordinance, which shall take effect on ((January 1, 2027)) April 1, 2027.

Page 3, line 39 amend:

Section ((4))7.

Council Disposition: _____ **Date:** _____