



Snohomish County Council

General Legislative Session

Meeting Minutes

Megan Dunn, Council Chair
Jared Mead, Council Vice-Chair
Councilmembers: Stephanie Wright, Sam Low, Nate Nehring

Wednesday, August 17, 2022

9:00 AM

**Jackson Board Room
& Remote Meeting**

PRESENT:

Council Chair Dunn
Council Vice-Chair Mead
Councilmember Wright (*remote*)
Councilmember Low
Councilmember Nehring
Executive Dave Somers
Geoffrey Thomas, Council Chief of Staff
Heidi Beazizo, Council Staff
Nicole Gorle, Council Staff
Deb Bell, Council Staff
Ken Klein, Executive Director
Mary Jane Brell-Vujovic, Human Services Director
Kara Main-Hester, Office of Recovery and Resilience
Arun Sharma, UTSAV
Sai Lalith Kanumuri, UTSAV
Sanika Kabbur, UTSAV
Sai Kalagara, UTSAV
Samved Mamillapalli, UTSAV
Satvik Kabbur, UTSAV
Elena Lao, Asst. Clerk of the Council

**See names listed below of individuals providing public comment.*

A. Call to Order

Council Chair Dunn called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and provided instructions for those wishing to provide public comment in person and remote via Zoom.

B. Roll Call

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

C. Pledge of Allegiance - Councilmember Nehring

Councilmember Nehring led the assembly with the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Public Comments

The following individuals provided public comments relating to the County's proposed hotel purchases for bridge and permanent supportive housing:

1. Mike Kersey, resident of Stanwood
2. Leslie Brown, resident of Edmonds
3. Laura Reed, resident of Everett
4. Randy Hagden, resident of Darrington
5. Ashvin Sanghvi, resident of Mukilteo
6. Janelle Cass, resident of Edmonds
7. Julie Anderson, resident of Lynnwood
8. Representative Emily Wicks, 38th Legislative District
9. Jim Dean, resident of Everett
10. Susain Paine, resident of Edmonds (Councilmember)
11. Raymond Miller, resident of Marysville
12. Julie Willie, resident of Everett
13. Mindy Woods, resident of Edmonds
14. Senator June Robinson, 38th Legislative District
15. Chris Gray, resident of Snohomish County
16. Lisa Valens, resident of Mukilteo
17. Tony Balk, resident of Everett
18. Jess Blanch
19. J Skelly
20. Laura Johnson, resident of Edmonds (Councilmember)
21. Will Chen, resident of Edmonds (Councilmember)
22. Carolyn Strong, resident of Edmonds
23. Kristen Holdsworth, resident of Snohomish County
24. Rachel Macor
25. Rachel Downes
26. Sharon Damoff, resident of Mukilteo
27. Dr. Gregg Jantz, The Center-A Place of Hope
28. Georgene
29. Brian Smith, Volunteers of America
30. Shannon Burley, resident of Edmonds
31. Tamara Nelson
32. Cindy Sjoblom
33. Billye Brooks-Sebastiani, resident of Snohomish County
34. Michael

E. Committee of the Whole

F. Resolutions

1. Resolution 22-043, recognizing UTSAV USA for their cultural contributions to Snohomish County and declaring August 19, 2022, UTSAV Mela Day in Snohomish County [2022-0777](#)

Arun Sharma, UTSAV, thanked the Council for the resolution and introduced the UTSAV Youth Leadership Board members.

Satvik Kabbur, Sanika Kabbur, and Sai Lalith Kanumuri, provided additional information about the UTSAV Youth Leadership Board, as well as the UTSAV Mela Day on August 19, 2022. They also look forward to meeting with the Council to discuss assistance for future projects with UTSAV.

Councilmembers thanked Mr. Sharma and the UTSAV youth group for attending the meeting. They commended the youth members for their work and look forward to working with them as well.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Resolution 22-043. Councilmember Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Council Chair Dunn called for a recess at 11:00 a.m., and shortly reconvened at 11:02 a.m.

G. Consent Agenda

1. Motion 22-293, allocation of Conservation Futures Property Tax Funds [2022-0693](#)
2. Motion 22-294, approving and authorizing the County Executive to execute Critical Area Site Plans [2022-0697](#)
3. Motion 22-295, confirming the reappointment of Rose Olson to the Sno-Isle Libraries Board of Trustees [2022-0701](#)
4. Motion 22-317, approving an interlocal agreement between the City of Arlington and Snohomish County for disbursement of funds for Haller Park improvements [2022-0733](#)
5. Motion 22-321, approving Amendment #1 to the Puget Sound Taxpayer Accountability Act (PSTAA) Interlocal Agreement with Mukilteo School District [2022-0744](#)
6. Motion 22-322, approving Amendment #2 to the Puget Sound Taxpayer Accountability Act (PSTAA) Interlocal Agreement with Northshore School District [2022-0746](#)
7. Motion 22-323, approving Amendment #1 to the Puget Sound Taxpayer Accountability Act (PSTAA) Interlocal Agreement Everett Community College [2022-0748](#)

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| 8. | Motion 22-325, approving Amendment #2 to the Puget Sound Taxpayer Accountability Act (PSTAA) Interlocal Agreement with Washington State University Everett | <u>2022-0749</u> |
| 9. | Motion 22-326, approving Amendment #1 to the Puget Sound Taxpayer Accountability Act (PSTAA) Interlocal Agreement with Edmonds School District | <u>2022-0750</u> |
| 10. | Motion 22-327, approving Amendment #1 to the Puget Sound Taxpayer Accountability Act (PSTAA) Interlocal Agreement with Everett Public Schools | <u>2022-0751</u> |
| 11. | Motion 22-328, approving Amendment #2 to the Puget Sound Taxpayer Accountability Act (PSTAA) Interlocal Agreement with Washington State Community College Dist. #23 DBA Edmonds College | <u>2022-0753</u> |

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

H. Administrative Matters

I. Action on Items from Committee

1. Finance and Economic Development

There being no objections, Council Chair Dunn took the agenda out of order for the item under Committee of the Whole to be discussed and considered along with items under Law and Justice/Human Services Committee.

2. Law and Justice/Human Services

- a. Motion 22-330, approval of Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreement between Harman Investment Group, Inc. as seller and Snohomish County as buyer for real property located at 1602 SE Everett Mall Way, Everett, WA, Identified by Tax Parcel Number 28051800400600 [2022-0712](#)

Heidi Beazizo, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report for Motion 22-330 and Proposed Substitute Motion 22-338. She also explained Motion 22-314, relating to budget transfers of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds in Grant Control Fund 130 for the proposed purchase of hotel buildings and for contracts related to treatment and behavioral health.

Executive Dave Somers addressed the Council in strong support of the three motions. He provided additional information relating to the County's proposal to use ARPA funds to purchase hotels for bridge and permanent supportive housing, with 24/7 wrap around services.

Discussion ensued as Executive Somers, along with Mary Jane Brell-Vujovic, Human Services Director, Kara Main-Hester, Chief Recovery and Resilience Officer, and Ken Klein, Executive Director, responded to questions from Councilmembers relating to details and conditions of the purchase and sale agreements, project and renovation timeline, property appraisals, cost per unit, cost of operations and maintenance, security, restrictions on the use of ARPA funds, and data analysis.

Councilmember Low expressed appreciation to staff for their work, but he also conveyed concerns regarding the hotel property in Everett. He questioned the purchase process and provisions for cancelling the agreement, in the event that the County finds problems with the property. He also noted concerns relating to costs.

Councilmember Nehring explained the need for a requirement or code of conduct for those receiving housing services to participate in chemical dependency treatment services, if they have a substance use disorder. He requested that the Council delay action on the purchase agreements at this time.

Councilmember Wright spoke in support of the motions and thanked staff for their time and work in putting together the information. She noted that the proposals will make a difference to address homelessness and will provide 129 beds in time for the winter.

Council Vice-Chair Mead noted the need for data follow up and analysis of people who receive services. He also expressed support of the motions, however, he opposes placing restrictions for those participating in the County's housing projects.

Council Chair Dunn expressed support of the motions. She also indicated the need to think of those who have been helped by providing bridge and permanent supporting housing, as well as those who could be helped with the current proposals.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Motion 22-330. Councilmember Wright seconded the motion and it carried by a vote of three to two, with Councilmember Low and Councilmember Nehring opposing.

- b. Motion 22-314, approving a 2022 budget transfer within Grant Control Fund 130

[2022-0731](#)

[See notes under Motion 22-330.]

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Motion 22-314. Councilmember Wright seconded the motion and it carried by a vote of three to two, with Councilmember Low and Councilmember Nehring opposing.

3. Conservation, Sustainability and Recreation

- a. Motion 22-292, authorizing approval of Professional Services Agreement SWMCC01-22 with Aquatechnex, LLC for Herbicide Application of Invasive Aquatic Plants [2022-0692](#)

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a brief overview and fiscal implications of the proposed agreement.

Council Chair Dunn noted her opposition of the proposal to apply herbicides in lakes.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Motion 22-292. Councilmember Low seconded the motion and it carried by a vote of three to two, with Council Chair Dunn and Councilmember Wright opposing.

4. Planning and Community Development

5. Public Works and Infrastructure

- a. Ordinance 22-032, relating to the Snohomish County Public Works Assistance Fund, providing for loans to local governments and adding a new chapter to Title 4 SCC [2022-0762](#)

Deb Bell, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report explaining the proposed Code amendment to recreate the Snohomish County Public Works Assistance Fund.

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to schedule a public hearing to consider Ordinance 22-032 on Wednesday, September 7, 2022, at the hour of 10:30 a.m. Councilmember Wright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

6. Committee of the Whole

- a. Amended Motion 22-338, approval of Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreement between Sang Mok Kim and Chun Ok Kim, husband and wife, and Kwang H. Kim, as his separate [2022-0764](#)

estate, together as sellers and Snohomish County as buyer for real property located at 22127 Highway 99, Edmonds, Washington, 98026-8041, identified by tax parcel number 27042900302400

[See notes under Motion 22-330.]

ACTION: Council Vice-Chair Mead made a motion to approve Motion 22-338. Councilmember Wright seconded the motion and it carried by a vote of three to two, with Councilmember Low and Councilmember Nehring opposing.

J. Other Business

1. Snohomish County Community Recovery Priorities - Kara Main-Hester, Office of Recovery and Resilience [2022-0758](#)

Council Chair Dunn announced that the presentation will be rescheduled to the next General Legislative Session on August 24, 2022.

K. Public Meetings/Hearings

L. Executive Session

Council Chair Dunn announced that the Executive Session will be moved to the end of the 10:30 a.m. Public Hearing.

1. Pending Litigation
Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)
DPA: L. Kisielius

M. Adjourn

At 11:51 a.m., Council Chair Dunn recessed the meeting for five minutes until reconvening for the Public Hearing.