



Snohomish County Council
Planning and Community Development Committee
Meeting Minutes

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

Ryan Countryman, Senior Legislative Analyst
Russell Wiita, Legislative Aide
Lisa Campfield, Asst. Clerk of the Council

Tuesday, April 18, 2023

11:00 AM

**Jackson Board Room
& Remote Meeting**

PRESENT:

Committee Chair Nehring
Committee Vice-Chair Dunn
Committee Member Low (*remote*)
Committee Member Mead
Committee Member Peterson (*not present*)
David Killingstad, Planning and Development Services
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff
Lisa Campfield, Asst. Clerk of the Council

CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Nehring called the meeting to order at 11:00 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 four members were present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no persons present wishing to provide public comment.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Ordinance 23-032, relating to the Growth Management Act; concerning building separation, amending Section 30.23.300 of the Snohomish County Code [2023-0319](#)

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report. He explained that this ordinance would help to improve fire safety for three-story homes.

Mr. Countryman responded to a question from Committee Vice-Chair Dunn regarding home owner's insurance.

ACTION: Move to Administrative Matters, General Legislative Session, April 26th to set time and date for public hearing.

2. Ordinance 23-033, relating to Growth Management; concerning building height requirements; amending Chapters 30.23 and 30.91B of the Snohomish County Code [2023-0325](#)

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report. He spoke to the ordinance's potential impact to building height exemptions; roof types; and daylight basements. He said the Amendment Sheet would allow applicants with vested projects to opt-in to the new provisions. Discussion ensued.

ACTION: Move to Administrative Matters, General Legislative Session, April 26th to set time and date for public hearing.

3. Motion 23-135, confirming the appointment of Jennifer Keene to the Community Services Advisory Council [2023-0353](#)

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and explained the appointees qualifications.

ACTION: Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session April 26th for consideration.

4. Motion 23-140, authorizing the Executive to execute an Option to Lease Land to Salire, LLC at the Snohomish County Airport [2023-0364](#)

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report. He said the lease is for an initial twelve months with one six month extension possible and he explained the potential fiscal impact of the lease for Snohomish County.

ACTION: Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session April 26th for consideration.

Agenda Items #5 through #7 were discussed together:

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report. He briefly explained the role of the Board of Equalization and the terms of the appointees.

5. Motion 23-141, appointing Robert Bodkin of Mukilteo to the Board of Equalization [2023-0345](#)

ACTION: Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session April 26th for consideration.

6. Motion 23-142 reappointing David Little of Tulalip to the Board of Equalization [2023-0346](#)

ACTION: Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session April 26th for consideration.

7. Motion 23-143, reappointing Dwight Phillips of Woodinville to the Board of Equalization [2023-0348](#)

ACTION: Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session April 26th for consideration.

DISCUSSION ITEM

1. Summary and Council Discussion of Ideas from the “Opening Doors to Home Ownership” Panel Series

[2023-0432](#)

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and summarized the ideas presented at the prior housing panel discussions. Discussion ensued.

[Clerk's Note: Housing Panel Discussion #1 was held at the Planning and Community Development Committee on January 17th; Housing Panel Discussion #2 was held at the Planning and Community Development Committee on February 21st; and Housing Panel Discussion #3 was held at the Planning and Community Development Committee on March 21st]