SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE and NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Snohomish County Council will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 22, 2025, at the hour of 10:30 a.m., and continuing thereafter as necessary, 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 to consider Proposed Ordinance No. 25-059.

Zoom Webinar Information:

Join online at https://zoom.us/j/94846850772 or by telephone call 1-253-215-8782 or 1-206-337-9723

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 25-059

AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN GENERAL TAX REVENUES FOR PROPERTY TAXES COLLECTED IN 2026

WHEREAS, the County Council adopted the 2025-2026 biennial budget by Amended Ordinance No. 24-083, which included authorization for a two (2) percent increase in property tax revenues for collection in 2026; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.52.070 requires the County Council to certify annually the amount of taxes levied upon each taxable dollar of assessed value of property in the County; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to certify the levy for taxes to be collected in 2026, the second year of the 2025-2026 biennium, consistent with the authorization previously adopted; and

WHEREAS, the County Council held a public hearing on ______, 2025, following public notice as required by law to consider the County's mid-biennial review, including revenue sources for calendar year 2026, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120; and

WHEREAS, the County Council, after hearing and duly considering all relevant evidence and testimony presented, including evidence and testimony presented upon consideration of proposed Ordinance No. 25-058, has determined that the previously approved two (2) percent increase in general tax revenue from the previous year, in addition to the increases resulting from the addition of new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbine facilities, and any increase in the value of state-assessed property under RCW 84.55.010, and from the refund provisions of Chapters 84.68 and 84.69 RCW, is necessary in order to discharge the expected expenses and obligations of the County and in its best interests;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, pursuant to RCW 84.55.120, that the previously approved increase in property tax revenues for taxes collected in 2026, in addition to the increases resulting from the addition of new construction, improvements to property, newly constructed wind turbine facilities, and any increase in the value of state-assessed property under RCW 84.55.010 and from the refund provisions of Chapters 84.68 and 84.69 RCW, are hereby authorized in the recalculated amount of \$2,126,130 for the 2026 general levy, which is a percentage increase of two (2) percent from the previous year. This percentage is consistent with the increase authority previously granted in Amended Ordinance 24-083, but reflects calculations based on current assessed valuation and statutory levy limits.

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 <u>contact.council@snoco.org</u>. 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: https://snohomish.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx or http://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/2134/County-Hearings-Calendar.

<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 7th day of October 2025.

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Clerk of the Council

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SUBMIT AFFIDAVIT TO: Council SUBMIT INVOICE TO: Finance #104473

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County of Snohomish } ss

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Subscribed and sworn before me on this

13th day of October

2025

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DATED this 7th day of October 2025.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington is/ Debble Eco, CMC Clerk of the Council

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