



# Snohomish County Council

## Public Hearings

### Meeting Minutes

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

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**Wednesday, August 18, 2021**

**10:30 AM**

**Remote Meeting via Zoom**

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Council Chair Wright called the Council to order at 10:30 a.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

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

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

##### **PRESENT:**

Council Chair Wright  
Council Vice-Chair Dunn  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Councilmember Mead  
Deb Bell, Council Staff  
Doug McCormick, Public Works  
Hugh Powell, Resident  
Debbie Eco, Clerk of the Council

1. Ordinance 21-036, vacating a portion of 99th Ave NW a  
Snohomish County road right-of-way

[2021-0415](#)

Chair Wright opened the public hearing and the clerk read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Deb Bell, Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.

Chair Wright provided instructions for remote participation for those wishing to provide testimony and she opened the hearing for public testimony. Hugh Powel, resident of the city of Stanwood, provided testimony.

There being no further persons present wishing to testify, Chair Wright closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

Doug McCormick, Public Works, responded to Mr. Powell's testimony and his concerns for his property. Discussion ensued and it was understood that taking action on this ordinance would not prohibit future efforts for Mr. Powell.

**ACTION:** Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-036. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-036 carried unanimously.

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Wright  
Council Vice-Chair Dunn  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Councilmember Mead  
Deb Bell, Council Staff  
Debbie Eco, Clerk of the Council

2. Ordinance 21-041, amending the Administrative and General Legislative Agendas and Standing Committees as established in Snohomish County Code 2.48 Council Meetings

[2021-0457](#)

Chair Wright opened the public hearing and the clerk read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Deb Bell, Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report.

Chair Wright provided instructions for remote participation for those wishing to provide testimony and she opened the hearing for public testimony. There being no persons present wishing to testify, she closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

Vice-Chair Dunn spoke to the ordinance and provided background information.

**ACTION:** Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-041. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion. The clerk called the roll and the motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-041 carried unanimously.

**PRESENT:**

Council Chair Wright  
Council Vice-Chair Dunn  
Councilmember Low  
Councilmember Nehring  
Councilmember Mead  
Ryan Countryman, Council Staff  
Amber Piona, Planning & Development Services  
Gretchen Kaehler, Parks  
Josephine Jefferson, Swinomish Tribe  
Debbie Eco, Clerk of the Council

3. Ordinance 21-043, relating to Growth Management; amending development regulations in chapter 30.32D of the Snohomish County Code pertaining to archaeological resources [2021-0420](#)

Chair Wright opened the public hearing and the clerk read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Ryan Countryman, Sr. Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and spoke about the proposed amendment.

Chair Wright provided instructions for remote participation for those wishing to provide testimony and she opened the hearing for public testimony. Josephine Jefferson, Swinomish Tribe, provided testimony.

There being no further persons present wishing to testify, Chair Wright closed the testimony portion of the hearing calling for a motion or discussion of the Council.

Vice-Chair Dunn provided comment and expressed the importance of protecting archaeological resources.

A scrivener's error was pointed out in the amendment sheet. Discussion ensued regarding the amendment sheet and how to move forward making sure the process and intent is clear. After further discussion and explanations from department staff, the decision was made to move forward with the amendment sheet as originally submitted.

**ACTION:** Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-043. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion.

Vice-Chair Dunn made a motion to approved Amendment Sheet 1. Councilmember Mead seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The question was called for and the clerk called the roll. The motion to approve Ordinance No. 21-043, as amended, approved unanimously.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Council Chair Wright adjourned the Council for the day at 11:10 a.m.