## SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

## MOTION NO. 23-563

## APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE GRANT AGREEMENT TO STABILIZE NEW REFUGEES INCLUDING THOSE FROM UKRAINE AND AFGHANISTAN

WHEREAS, SCC 2.400.030 authorizes the Human Services Department to administer and coordinate County programs and projects relating to human services in accordance with County, State, and Federal laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, SCC 2.400.030(2)(I) includes within the scope of work for the Human Services Department programs related to housing, including but not limited to housing to resettle newly arriving refugees and humanitarian parolees; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Commerce provides funding for resettlement housing and associated services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the 2023-2025 Washington State Operating Budget, ESSB 5187, Laws of 2023, Sec. 30 (11) a total of \$9,000,000 is appropriated to grants to counties for refugee resettlement; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Commerce is offering a contract to Snohomish County for a total of \$2,000,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON MOTION, pursuant to SCC 3.04.140(8), the Snohomish County Council authorizes the Executive to execute the attached contract with the Washington State Department of Commerce for \$2,000,000 and any contract amendments, thereto.

PASSED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2024.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL Snohomish County, Washington

Jared Mead

Council Chair

ATTEST:

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Deputy Clerk of the Council