



**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Councilmember Megan Dunn, Council Chair  
Councilmember Jared Mead, Council Vice-Chair, District 4  
Councilmember Nate Nehring, District 1  
Councilmember Sam Low, District 5

**Dave Somers**  
County Executive

VIA: Michael McCrary, Director  
Planning and Development Services

FROM: Matthew Siddons, Senior Planner

SUBJECT: Proposed Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish Regional Fire Authority for Fire Investigation Services

DATE: September 7, 2022

**INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of this staff report is to provide the County Council with a proposed motion for consideration. The motion would authorize the County Executive to sign the attached interlocal agreement (ILA) with Snohomish Regional Fire and Rescue (SRFR) regarding the provision of fire investigation services.

**BACKGROUND**

The Regional Fire Authority (RFA), Snohomish Regional Fire and Rescue, is updating its ILA with the County for fire investigation services to include the cities and towns within the RFA's jurisdiction, including the City of Lake Stevens.

The attached ILA titled, "Interlocal Agreement Between Snohomish Regional Fire and Rescue and Snohomish County Concerning Provision of Fire Investigation Services," would:

- Allow the Snohomish County Fire Marshal's Office (FMO) to provide fire investigation services on a case-by-case basis when requested by SRFR. The County would perform investigative functions pursuant to the terms and conditions in the agreement; and
- Supersede the existing Lake Stevens fire investigations ILA, that was assigned to SRFR after the September 26, 2018, merger with the Lake Stevens Fire District No. 8, including an updated fee schedule for services.

If the motion is approved, the Executive is to complete the following:

- Execute the "Interlocal Agreement Between Snohomish Regional Fire & Rescue and Snohomish County Concerning Provision of Fire Investigation Services;" and

- Terminate the “Interlocal Agreement Between Lake Stevens Fire and Snohomish County Concerning the Provision of Fire Investigation Services,” consistent with the terms of that agreement.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

PDS recommends that County Council accepts the motion to authorize the County Executive to sign the attached ILA with SRFRR regarding the provision of fire investigation services.

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